

The 1984 General Membership Meeting of St. James Armenian Church was called to order by Dianna DerHovhannessian, chairperson of the Parish Council in the absence of the 1983 Parish Assembly chairman, John Baronian at 12:55 p.m.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Arsen Barsamian. The roll was called and it was determined that of 93 paid pledge dues members, 31 were present thereby a quorum was established.

Minutes of the 1983 General Membership Meeting were read by Joyce Soghoian, teh 1983 Parish Assembly secretary. They were approved as read.

Nominations were requested for the officers of chairman and secretary of the day. Gerry Sharigian nominated Jack Tootelian, seconded by Virginia Greene. His nomination for office was unanimously approved. Virginia Greene nominated Liz Baronian for secretary of the day. Her nomination was seconded by Mrs. Makrouhi Dedeian and also unanimously approved.

Chairperson, Dianna DerHovhannessian, then asked the newly elected officers to take their respective chairs.

Chairman, Jack Tootelian then proceeded with the business of the day according to the agenda. The following officers gave their respective reports:

- 1-Pastor, Rev. Arsen Barsamian (see enclosure)
- 2-Parish Council Chairperson, Mrs. Dianna DerHovhannessian (see enclosure)
- 3-Women's Guild--In the absence of the chairlady, Mrs. Shnorhig Soghoian, the treasurer, Roxie Sharigian gave the organization's report (see enclosure). She presented a check in the amount of \$2,070.66 to the church.
- 4-ACYOA-Raffi Barsamian, chairman, gave his report (see enclosure) A check for \$500.00 was presented to the church.
- 5-Sunday School--On behalf of Roxie Kricorian, Dianna DerHovhannessian submitted the report (see enclosure)
- 6-Armenian School--Bedros Okhanes, superintendent gave his report (see enclosure)
- 7-Anoush Dance Group--Maria Miceli reported on the group's activities and informed the members that the group is seeking a professional instructor on Armenian Dances to expand upon the skills of the dancers.
- 8-1983 Food Festival--Co-chairman, Sam Baronian, presented a check for \$11,281.91 to the church on behalf of the Food Festival. This event is sponsored by the Women's Guild.
- 9-Cultural And Educational Committee Report was given by chairperson, Linda Sharigian who reported on the organization's activities. The financial condition was given by Der Hayr.

Chairman, Jack Tootelian, called on the Nominating Committee to proceed with the elections of the day. The following is the list of candidates and the election results of the Parish Council, Nominating and Auditing Committees.

<u>PARISH COUNCIL</u>		<u>NOMINATING COMMITTEE</u>	
Tigran Amirkhanian	19	Azniv Amirkhanian	21
Dr. William Bickers	31	Annie Bickers	20
Dale Baronian	17	Khachig Dedeian	11
Bobby Garian	15	George Euksuzian	15
Henry Magarian	16	Elizabeth Tootelian	7
Alex Ghazarian	4	Dianne Velegris	23

<u>AUDITING COMMITTEE</u>	
Judy Ashjian	8
Bedros Bandazian	11
Noubar Boyajian	20
Ronnie Greene	27

The new Parish Council members are: Dr. William Bickers, Tigran Amirkhanian and Dale Baronian.

Nominating Committee is comprised of Azniv Amirkhanian, Annie Bickers and Dianne Velegris.

Auditing Committee is comprised of Noubar Boyajian and Ronnie Greene.

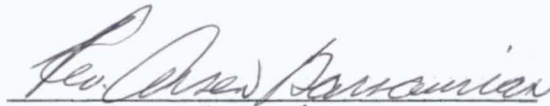
Noubar Boyajian, treasurer, submitted the Parish Council's Financial report and Proposed Budget. Bedros Bandazian made a motion to add \$3,000.00 to the budget for a choir director. Peter Greene seconded the motion. The motion was defeated by a vote of 2 for and 15 against. Bedros Bandazian made a motion to accept the Financial Report and the 1984 Budget. Motion was seconded by Dianne Velegris. The motion was unanimous.

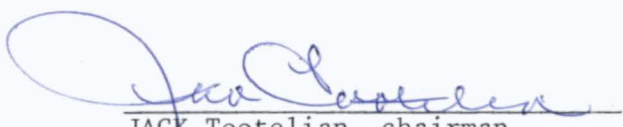
Peter Greene, then gave a report on the Endowment Fund and enlightened the membership regarding the background and operation of the Fund. (see enclosure).

On behalf of the Building Fund Committee, Peter Greene reported that preliminary plans were drawn up by Haig Varteressian relative to an additon to the church kitchen and Educational Building. Three (3) informal estimates placed the cost in the area of \$51,700.00. Necessary to arrive at a more accurate cost on the proposed addition and construction, Azniv Amirkhanian made a motion to include Robert Magarian, Jack Tootelian and Sam Baronian on the Building Committee. The motion was seconded by Linda Sharigian and unanimously accepted.

Linda Sharigian made a motion to authorize the Building Committee to get written plans and specifications for the addition. Paris Dedeian seconded the motion. It was unanimously accepted.

Linda Sharigian made a motion to close the meeting. Motion seconded by Gerry Sharigian and accepted by all.


Rev. Arsen Barsamian


JACK Tootelian, chairman


Liz Baronian, Secretary