

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING JANUARY 20, 1974

HOLY RESURRECTION ARMENIAN CHURCH
SOUTH MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Meeting opened with a prayer led by Father Arshag. At 7:45 pm, Chairman and Secretary for the day were nominated -- Gilbert Jandegian, Chairman and Grace Hadjinian, Secretary.

Eligibility of voters was established. 43 members were present, all in good standing -- list of names is attached. John Gurinian made a motion that the members present constitute a forum, and that the meeting proceed. Russell seconded the motion. Vote taken, motion carried.

Minutes of January 21, 1973 general membership meeting were read. There being no corrections or additions, minutes were approved by motion made by Esahag Haidarian and seconded by Mary Ambrookian. Vote taken, motion carried.

Father Arshag then gave his 1973 report in both English and Armenian. Copy is appended to these minutes.

Russell Kaishian, Chairman of the Parish Council, give his annual report. He stated money was spent in repairing the Church, such as a new bookcase was added to the library, and the interior of the Church was completely repainted and varished. He said he was hopeful that the new Parish Council would look into the recommended projects on his report and finalize some of the plans. He strongly recommended that the next Board, with the help of Father Arshag, establish a fact-finding committee and have more details for the next meeting. He also suggested that a committee be appointed for the 50th anniversary celebration of our Church, and thought it would be proper to have some kind of building program in conjunction with the anniversary.

He reminded the parish that all members are invited to attend Parish Council meetings. This year only one individual asked permission to attend. He asked that in the future if anyone has a problem or misunderstanding, they request permission to attend the Board meeting. Russell thanked Father Arshag for his help during the year, and hoped that the next Board will meet his needs. Russell thanked all the organizations for their help, and especially the Ladies Aid for their untiring efforts, the outgoing Board members, and also to Barsam Barsamian for taking over the Treasurer's position, when the job was open.

Treasurer's report was given by Barsam Barsamian. There were no questions, and Barse thanked Charley Kademian for his help in auditing the books, and to Grace for the help she gave him during the year, and in the final audit.

Auditor's report. Charley reported that the books had been audited by Grace and himself, and that everything was in order.

Charley had a suggestion that the \$15,000 which was in the Golden Mariner Account for 90 days be transferred to the Mariner account for the two-year term, as we would be receiving a higher rate of interest, and the money could still be withdrawn at any time. Barse said he would look into it.

Cemetery report by Kerovpe Balian. Question was asked what the burial costs are. He said \$350.00 for a non-member and \$50.00 for a member. Suggestion that the amount be increased. Russell said he felt the rate for a member was appropriate, but maybe the non-member fee could be increased. He said the cemetery was purchased for our members, and he did not think it was right to tax the members of the Church. Esahag suggested that the cemetery committee make a full study and report at the May meeting.

Parish House report by Russell Kaishian. We have the same rentors and charging the same rent, which is being paid on time. The property is being kept up, but we can expect more expenses in the future, such as painting of the exterior of the house and garage. The roof is deteriorating, and we can expect a major expense in the near future. Peter Sahagian said he had the house appraised at \$32,000.00, and since the initial cost of the house was about \$20,000, some of the parishioners were thinking about selling the house and investing the money. After some discussion, it was decided that the new parish council consider the matter.

Elections of officers for Parish Council was next.

Remaining members are:

Russell Kaishian

Meyer Jandegian

John Gurinian

Nazar Balian

Mihran Balian

Ruth Kashishian of the Nominating committee said many letters had been sent out, but only Barsam and Charley Kademian had accepted. Joe Turgurian said he had accepted also. Nominations were then taken from the floor, with the results below. (Mary Ambrookian closed the nominations and Michael Barsamian seconded it. Motion carried.)

Charley Kademian 41

Gilbert Jandegian 40

Barsam Barsamian 38

Sam Hadjinian 21

Peter Sahagian 19

Harry Nabedian 14

Joe Turgurian 9

Mary Haidarian 13

Rose Esaian 8

Mary Lewis 8

Nerses Nersesian 4

Election for Diocesan delegate - one member for 4 years: ?

Russell Kaishian	20
Gilbert Jandegian	16 (1st alternate)
Armand Bendian	7

Election for Auditing Committee - 3 members for one year:

John Gurinian	27
Kappy Kaprelian	26
Grace Hadjinian	25
Harry Nabedian	23
Elsie Cifaldi	14

Election for Nominating Committee - 3 members for one year:

Ruth Kashishian	35
Kappy Kaprelian	24
Mary Ambrookian	24
Mary Lewis	21
Marian Barsamian	20

Charley made a motion to accept all the organizational reports. Mary Ambrookian seconded it. Vote taken, motion carried.

Approval of the 1974 budget was next. Questions were raised on the high cost of the Diocesan dues. Grace explained the budget that the Diocesan office was confronted with, and that all the Churches' dues were raised accordingly. Also, that we had not met our Stewardship allotment, and consequently, were being assessed in our dues. Father Arshag explained thoroughly the Stewardship and Endowment Funds. Charley Kademian moved the budget be accepted; Esahag seconded it. Motion carried.

Russell said he would like to bring up a point about 18 year olds. He said up to now we have not been taking dues from college students, and according to the Diocese, to become a member of the Church, the minimum dues is \$12.00 per year. He would like to propose that all young people that are going full time to school be put in that category for \$12.00 per year, and be a member in good standing. Grace made a motion that in view of the fact that the Diocese recognizes 18 year olds as members, all full time students be considered members in good standing of Holy Resurrection Armenian Church by paying \$12.00 per year. Mary Ambrookian seconded it. Vote taken, majority voted yes.

Joe Tugurian asked why he had not received an answer from the Parish Council about starting up the Junior Choir again. Russell explained that they have not had a majority of Trustees present at a meeting so a vote could be taken on it. Father Arshag said according to his understanding from the Bishop, Joe was not using the proper methods for teaching. Inasmuch as the Sunday School has been and still is teaching the children the Sharagans, he did not feel that Joe should continue.

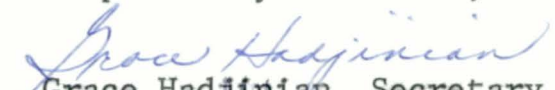
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Esahag made a motion to close the meeting. It was seconded and moved.

Barsam asked for a minute before adjourning and said "thank-you's" were in order to Mr. Kerovpe Balian, the cusodian
Mr. Joe Tugurian, as Madagh Chairman, and making 1973 a record year
Mr. Nerses Nersesian for taking care of the cemetery
Mrs. A. Kaloustian and the Ladies Aid for doing a good job
Mr. Hampar Kaishian, the organist, and the choir
Mr. Manoog Panosian and Mihran Balian, the caretakers
Mrs. Grace Hadjinian and Kappy Kaprelian for helping him personally.

Respectfully submitted,


Grace Hadjinian, Secretary

Members in Attendance at General Membership Meeting
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1. Barsam Barsamian
2. Michael Barsamian
3. Grace Hadjinian
4. Roberta Sahagian
5. Marian Barsamian
6. Mihran Balian
7. Tony Hadjinian
8. Haeguhy Hadjinian
9. Rose Hadjinian
10. Turvanda Gaghunjian
11. Takouhe Chordukian
12. Rose Tanelian
13. Ruth Kashishian
14. Eska Kashishian
15. Hripsime Karamanian
16. Elsie Cifaldi
17. Namzar Kaprelian
18. Nazar Balian
19. Varteny Hadjinian
20. Mathew Kademian
21. Hatchadour Kaishian
22. Mary Ambrookian
23. Mary Lewis
24. Doris Jandegian
25. Esahag Haidarian
26. Peter Sahagian
27. Sam Hadjinian
28. E. Esaian
29. Joe Tugurian
30. John Gurinian
31. Charley Kademian
32. Arous Kaloustian
33. K. Balian
34. Mike Panosian
35. Rushan Esayian
36. Russell Kaishian
37. Souna Esayian
38. Perlanty Panosian
39. Gilbert Jandegian
40. Kaprel Kaprelian
41. A. Hayalian
42. Jeannie Tamouzian
43. Margaret Kademian