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February 10, 1994

Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian
Chancellor
Diocese of the Armenian Church
New York City, New York

Dear Fr. Garabed:

Enclosed are the Minutes of two Special Parish Assemblies held at St. Mesrob.

MAY 12, 1993

NOVEMBER 21, 1993

I hope that they are found in order.

Also, many of our dues paying members never received the Diocesan Calendar this year. Therefore, could you please send out about 50 of them so they may be distributed? Thank you.

With Brotherly Love,


Fr. Yeprem Kelegian
Pastor



MAY 12, 1993

SPECIAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

The meeting was opened at 7:02 p.m. Sub-deacon Mikael Garoukian offered the opening prayer.

Mikael Garoukian made a motion to form a quorum, seconded by Shockey Gengozian. 21 members were present. Approved.

Minutes from the February 14, 1993 Annual Parish Assembly were read by Gary Vidian, Acting Secretary.

Mikael Garoukian made a motion to accept the previous minutes, seconded by Tony Ferraro. Approved.

Sam Kaprelian follow-up on baptismal papers noted.

Chairman George Stevoff reported that it had been brought to the Parish Council's attention about the cornerstone on the State Street Church. New Parish Council will follow through on this matter. Referenced from February 14, 1993 minutes.

Discussion of 91st Diocesan Assembly. The general topics were discussed and questions and answers were performed. Delegates Kai Kazarian, Sam Akgulian and Murad Gengozian were present. Diocesan Agenda Booklets were passed around among the members. Delegates touched base on topics which were agenda items at the Assembly.

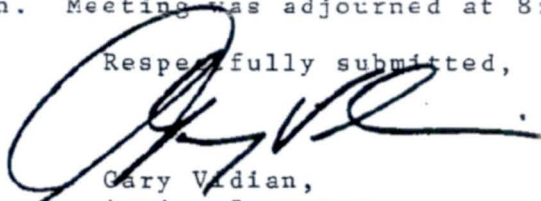
Father Yeprem will be having his first service on August 8th. The Parish Council is prepared to fill in with services until that time. We are having difficulties with the choir: director, organist and members.

Short services will be performed by Deacon Charles Hardy until Fr. Yeprem arrives. Services will start at 10:00 a.m.

Roof problem will be rectified, but Sam Akgulian must work out some technicalities with the Council before project can be started.

Mike Vidian made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sarkis Cherkinian second the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gary Vidian,
Acting Secretary

ST. MESROB ARMENIAN CHURCH
PARISH ASSEMBLY MINUTES
Sunday, November 21, 1993

After the opening prayer led by Father Yeprem Kelegian, Parish Council Chairman George Stevoff called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

Mesag Vidian moved that the number of members present did indeed form a quorum; Ed Kargenian seconded. Motion passed.

The minutes of May 12, 1993, as read by Parish Council Secretary Judy Hachikian were accepted on a motion and second by Mesag Vidian and Sam Paragamian..

The chairman addressed the assembly with comments that the proposals on the agenda for the day were all items which would have to be funded by the Permanent Trust, therefore the parish assembly was called.

Facia: During the course of the repairs on the church roof it was discovered that the facia was in need of repairs due to rotting away of wooden beams beneath the facia. Cost of repair to the facia and some wooden beams would be approximately \$3450. On motion of Shockey Gengozian and second of Mesag Vidian repairs were authorized with expenses not to exceed \$3450; monies to come out of the Permanent Trust. After discussion of the motion, it was further moved by Sam Paragamian and seconded by Perry Paragamian that the motion be tabled until later in the meeting. Passed unanimously.

Parking Lot: Present state of the parking lot surface is poor with large cracks over much of the lot; weeds grow rampant through the cracks, probably even forcing the cracks to widen. The overall appearance is not good. Chairman Stevoff suggested we have four options (1) patch the present surface; (2) apply a top coat only; (3) completely break down/pulverize the current blacktop and resurface it, or (4) do nothing.

Sam Akgulian stated we had received one informal estimate from Oakes which quoted a price of \$20-36,000 to completely resurface the parking lot.

On motion made by Mesag Vidian and seconded by Claire Kadamian, we would authorize the total resurfacing at a price not to exceed \$50,000, monies coming from the Permanent Trust Fund. The motion was defeated (22 for, 25 against).

It was suggested by Perry Paragamian that Projects Committee Chairman Sam Akgulian should obtain an estimate for cleaning out the cracks and filling them in. The estimate and subject should be put on the agenda for the 1994 annual parish assembly.

Removal of trees: It was recommended by Projects Committee Chairman Sam Akgulian that two large trees should be removed from the church property - one immediately to the south and the other to the west (front) of the church. Reason for removal was because of potential damage to the building should the trees fall during a storm.

A motion was made by Mesag Vidian and seconded that we should remove the trees as described by Sam Akgulian not to exceed \$2,000, monies to come from the Permanent Trust Fund. Mike Garoukian moved to table the motion; Alice Hazarian seconded. Motion passed.

Steeple Replacement: As a point of information, Father Yeprem stated that according to the Armenian church (history), the steeple should be mounted on the roof. Paul Tewegian moved to have the topic tabled to the next assembly; motion carried.

Dwelling Repairs: The parish house is in need of maintenance and repairs to the window trim and garage door. Paul Tewegian moved and Mesag Vidian seconded; that the parish house be repaired with aluminum siding trim and a new garage door, cost not to exceed \$5,000, and the money to come from Permanent Trust. Motion passed.

Kitchen Equipment Replacement: The kitchen is in need of a new refrigerator, freezer and oven. Research and pricing will be compiled by members of the Women's Guild and will be presented for action at the February annual parish assembly.

Facia: The motion concerning the facia was re-addressed and put to a vote. Motion passed.

New Business

- No cornerstone memorabilia is available to us from 1326 State Street. (This was investigated by Gary Vidian and Mike Kaprelian.)
- Paul Tewegian will ask Ted Hajinian for the St. Mesrob name sign which came from the State Street church.
- 40 boxes of clothing gathered for Armenia could not be shipped there (no additional vessels were available), so all the clothing was donated to The Purple Heart.

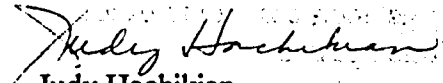
Pastor's Comments

Father Yeprem:

- Thanked Women's Guild for their hard work at the previous day's successful Holiday Fair.
- Discussed briefly a forthcoming letter addressed to all parishioners asking for a renewed weekly pledge.
- Suggested our parish consider sponsoring an Armenian refugee family to live in Racine.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m. on the motion and second of Mike Garoukian and Perry Paragamian, respectively.

Respectfully submitted,



Judy Hachikian

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Secretary

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