

THE MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY OF THE
HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN CHURCH

The Holy Trinity Armenian Church Annual Parish Assembly took place on Sunday 8 February 1981 at 3:30 p.m. in the church hall, under the presidency of the Right Reverend Yeghishe Gizirian, who offered the opening prayer.

There were 76 members present, representing quorum.

BENNY AMPAGOUMIAN, chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following names of officers for the Annual Assembly:

- 1) Hrant Souin Chairman
- 2) Mona Selyan Secretary - English
- 3) Antranig Chilingirian " - Armenian

All present were in unanimous favour of the appointed officers.

HRANT SOUIN made a short speech of welcome and introduction and advised that there be no side-speaking, and that all questions be directed to the chair. He also introduced Fr. Yeghishe Gizirian as the new Spiritual Leader of our parish, and welcomed Fr. Jirayr Tashjian who was visiting, and who was present at the Assembly.

HRANT SOUIN read the agenda, consisting of 14 items;

- 1) Invocation
- 2) Quorum
- 3) Election of Annual Assembly Officers
- 4) Adoption of Agenda
- 5) Adoption of 1980 minutes
- 6) Report of the Parish Council
- 7) Report of the Nominating Committee
- 8) Elections a) Parish Council - 6 members
b) Auditing Committee - 3 members
c) Nominating Committee - 5 members
- 9) Report of the Auxilliary Bodies
- 10) Report of the Diocesan Delegates
- 11) Report of the Auditing Committee
- 12) Financial Report as of 31 December 1980
- 13) Adoption of the 1981 Projected Budget
- 14) Benediction

HAYG SELJAN made a motion to add New Business to the Agenda.

MENAS SELMAN stated that it shouldn't be added at this time, that it should have been added by the Parish Council.

HRANT SOURN stated that it would be acceptable if the majority so wishes.

HAG MISSAKIAN seconded

HAG SELMAN motioned that New Business be added to the agenda as item 14, and that the Benediction be item 15.

It was voted on and accepted as unanimous.

VARJAN VARJANIAN motioned to accept the revised agenda.

HAG MISSAKIAN seconded

It was voted on and accepted as unanimous.

TORKOM ZABOUNIAN read the 1980 Parish Assembly minutes.

HRANT SOURN asked the assembly if there were any errors or omissions.

HAG SELMAN stated that there had been a lengthy discussion regarding the relocation of the church, and this was not mentioned in the 1980 minutes.

GRANT YERETSIAN stated that this discussion was not part of the Parish Assembly, but a separate meeting that took place on the same day.

HRANT SOURN asked that this point be brought up during the Parish Council Report.

SEN. KRJKOR ZAMRUTJIAN made a point of procedure, that the statement should be accepted, then discussed.

HRANT SOURN stated that it would be awkward to accept a statement, then discuss it and perhaps change it.

HAG MISSAKIAN stated that; a) One point in the 1980 minutes was out of order and should be stricken from the minutes; b) His question of last year was WHY the Parish Council members overstepped the Diocesan Council and went to Paris to see the Catholicos; c) there is a typographical error on page 7 of the 1980 minutes- ("kerashnorh" instead of "hokeshnorh")

KHATCHIG KOUNOUNDJIAN moved to accept the 1980 Parish Assembly minutes as corrected.

VARJAN VARJANIAN seconded

All in favour.

SARKIS JCHJLNGURJAN read the Parish Council Report, plus the one-page report regarding the Church Building Project (page 31 of the 1980 Annual Reports.)

On page 16, there was a proposal that the Church membership fees be raised \$5.00, from \$30.00 to \$35.00, and that the couples' fees remain the same at \$50.00.

HRANT SOURN asked if all accepted the report.

JEAN HOVAGJIMJAN seconded

HAG SELJAN stated that the special meeting of the Church Relocation is important and that the minutes must be accepted and passed during the Parish Assembly.

HRANT SOURN asked Fr. Yeghishe if that was proper.

SARKIS JCHJLNGURJAN stated that they must be read and accepted at that time.

HAG SELJAN stated that it must be done as a technicality.

HRANT SOURN asked who wanted the minutes read and accepted as part of the Parish Council Report.

HAG SELJAN motioned that it be done so.

KRJKOR EDMASSJAN seconded

HRATCH SHISHMANJAN read the minutes of the "Feasability Study for Relocation of the Church" assembly.

SARKIS JCHJLNGURJAN continued reading the minutes of the feasibility study.

HRANT SOURN stated that these minutes will not be taken and debated upon separately, but as part of the Parish Council Report.

HAG MJSSAKJAN a) commended the Parish Council for having such an open report, detailing all items; b) asked if the Encyclical from the Catholicos was read in the church.

FR. YEGHJSHE stated that the Encyclical should have been sent to the parish from the Primate,

HAG MJSSAKJAN asked why it was not read.

HAG SELJAN stated that the Encyclical was read by Hratch Shishmanian at the Church's 25th Anniversary Observance.

ARAXJ KARJAN asked if the Encyclical was sent to us, or to the Diocese.

HRANT SOURN stated after discussion with Fr. Yeghishe, that the

encyclical was directed to the Primate, and at HJS discretion will it be read.

HAG SELJAN stated that the encyclical was published in the Diocesan paper "Bema."

HRATCH BOYASSJAN stated that the encyclical was reprinted from the "Marmara Gazette" and was not sent to us, so in fact, we have not received it yet.

HAG MOSSAKJAN approached the chair and spoke privately.

BARKEV KHOJAJJAN stated that IF the encyclical was directed to us and was not read, then someone was not doing their job, but if we are awaiting further instruction, then it is acceptable.

KRYKOR EDMASSJAN asked if it was "legal" that the encyclical was sent by our sister church - Holy Cross.

HRANT SOUIN offered the explanation that the encyclical was received with an accompanying letter stating that instructions will follow: no instructions have followed as of 31 December. The encyclical was circulated by the Holy Cross church, reprinted from the "Marmara Gazette", therefore they are out of order.

VARJAN VARJANJAN suggested that a) the annual reports be circulated at least one week in advance of the Parish Assembly, so as not to waste time during the meeting; b) April 24 commemorations be done by churches alone (referred to "New Business" by Hrant Souin) c) raising the fees for Church services and memberships will do no good if the church is in financial trouble.

NURHAN KARRAN made a proposal regarding the budget (referred to "Financial Report" by Hrant Souin.

HRANT BARSACKJAN recognized the point that the new church has to be built within 3 years of acquisition of the land, or the land will be sold back to the A.G.B.U. The Parish Council has requested that this time period be extended to 5 years, but has not received an answer from A.G.B.U. as yet.

MONAS SELJAN asked where the Parish stands with the Primate and the Diocese, since the resignations of the Pastor and the Parish Council Chairman, giving as an example the wedding requested under the

auspices of Holy Cross, in the Holy Trinity building.

SARKIS TCHILINGUIRIAN answered that the Diocesan Council overruled the Parish Council, but the individual refrained.

MINAS SELIAN then asked what would have happened if the Parish Council had been asked by Fr. Vasken?

HRANT SOURN dismissed that statement as conjecture.

SARKIS TCHILINGUIRIAN stated that it was a matter of protocol, and that the Parish Council should have been asked.

BARKEV KHOJAGJIAN stated that the entire procedure was wrong, because the Parish Council should have been asked, or what is the purpose of a Parish Council? He then made a lengthy speech clarifying his position in his resignation from the Parish Council, and defence of his position regarding the April 24 incident with the A.C.Y.O.A.

SARKIS TCHILINGUIRIAN stated that Fr. Vasken's behaviour is a fact, and his position does not protect him from criticism.

DN. KRJKOR ZAIRUTJIAN also made a lengthy speech clarifying his position in the April 24 incident. He said that the whole incident could have been avoided if Barkev had discussed it with him two weeks prior. He added that the A.C.Y.O.A. re-appealed to the Parish Council twice, and then approached the A.C.Y.O.A. Central Council for support (and thus the Primate, as head of the A.C.Y.O.A.)

HAGH MISSAKJIAN motioned that the Parish Council report be accepted as read.

JORKOM ZABUNJIAN seconded

All were in favour unanimously.

HAGH SELIAN made as a point of order, the request that a proposal be put forth that this assembly supports the Parish Council and the Parish Council Chairman's resignation in protest to the overruling tendencies of the Diocesan Council.

HRANT SOURN suggested that he write it down, then re-present it to the assembly.

BENNY AMPAGOUNJIAN read the Nominating Committee report. The Parish Council Nommines were:

- 1) Sarkis Tchilinguirian
- 2) Leo Khosrovian

- 3) Jean Hovagimian
- 4) Haroutioun Yessayan
- 5) Nurhan Karran
- 6) Khatchig Kouyoumjian
- 7) Yeghia Berejikian
- 8) Nishan Manjelian
- 9) Hagop Yeretsian

HRANT SOURN asked if there were any further nominations from the floor.

KHATCHIG KOUYOUMJIAN withdrew his name.

VARJAN VARJAN nominated Jorkom Zabunian. It was accepted.

KRJKOR ELMASSIAN nominated Sarkis Koumjian. It was accepted.

KERJIM KERJIM nominated Haig Missakian. It was not accepted.

SARKIS KOUYUMJIAN nominated Mihran Kouzouyan. It was not accepted.

MINAS SELYAN made a point of clarification regarding the 1-year position in the Parish Council.

HRANT SOURN stated that the one who receives the least number of votes will get the 1-year term.

JORKOM ZABUNIAN stated that his name must be omitted from the Nominating Committee nominations.

SARKIS DEKERMENJIAN moved to close the nominations.

JORKOM ZABUNIAN seconded

All in favour.

SARKIS DEKERMENJIAN made a point of clarification that Jorkom Zabunian's name must be omitted from the Nominating Committee nominations.

The Auditing Committee nominees were:

- 1) Berge Toghloouian
- 2) Vahe Minntian
- 3) Harry Artinian

There was a point of clarification that the Auditing Committee can't audit its own books from the year before.

KRJKOR ELMASSIAN moved to accept that.

JORKOM ZABUNIAN seconded.

All in favour.

BARKEV KHOJAJIAN nominated Suzanne Mangoian. It was accepted.

ELIZ ARTJAN seconded.

HASING AFARJAN nominated Haig Selian. It was accepted.

KRJKOR EDMASSIAN seconded.

The Nominating Committee nominees were:

- 1) Minas Selyan
- 2) Hratch Boyajian
- 3) Jorkom Zabunian (who was omitted from the list)
- 4) Edward Dovletian
- 5) Harry Ampagoumian

BENNY AMPAGOUMIAN nominated Sarkis Dehermenjian (instead of Jorkom Zabunian) It was accepted.

MINAS SELYAN nominated Vartan Vartanian. It was accepted.

MARSHG PAPAIZIAN moved to close the nominations.

LEO KHOSROVJAN seconded.

At 6:00 p.m. there was a 20-minute break and voting time.

Ballots were to be counted by the old nominating and auditing committees.

At 6:30 p.m. the meeting came to order, called by Hrant Souin.

HASG SELYAN read his motion:

"This assembly approves and adopts the Parish Council report of the Parish Council and fully endorses the stand taken by the former Parish Council Chairman and his Council against the arbitrary decisions taken by the Diocesan Council in imposing their rulings on the matters appearing on page 12 in the report under 'Events and Issues'."

JAKVOR HOPIYAN seconded.

HRANT SOUIN recommended an ammended version:

" This assembly approves and adopts the report of the Parish Council and recognises the stand taken by the former Parish Council Chairman and his council concerning the decisions taken by the Diocesan Council in their rulings on the matters appearing on page 12 in the report under 'Events and Issues'."

BARKEV KNOJAZJAN wanted a clarification of the word "recognize."

MASAT J. MAMOURJAN asked if we needed a 2/3 vote on the matter.

HRANT SOUIN answered by saying "no" because Haig Selian withdrew his motion and accepted the ammended version.

KRJKOR EDMASSIAN wanted clarification of who was right; the A.C.Y.O.A. or the Diocesan Council or the Parish Council.

HAG SELYAN made a point that he was referring to the whole report and not just to the April 24 incident.

HRANT SOUIN asked that all who were in favour raise their hands, then those opposed raise their hands.

The motion was passed by a show of hands.

The voting procedure started under the jurisdiction of the Nominating Committee (namely Minas Selyan.)

MONA SELYAN (secretary) called out the roll and the ballots were placed in the box.

BETJE OUNJIAN motioned that the donation made by the Ladies' Guild be recognized by the assembly.

SETRAK ASOURJIAN seconded.

ZARMINE YERETSJIAN read the Choir Report.

HAG MASSAKJIAN motioned to pass it.

KRJKOR ELMASSJIAN seconded.

VARTAN VARTANJIAN asked questions regarding number of members and Junior Choir members, how much money was made in the plate collection, and the delegates' report.

KRJKOR ZAMRUTJIAN answered that there were five active members, 25 non-active members, two active deacons, and two active "ouraragir."

LENA BEYLERJIAN answered the question that there were 17 Junior Choir members, all active. The plate collection particulars are stated in the Choir Report. The Delegates' Report is in the minutes of the Choir Executive meetings.

The Choir Report was accepted and passed unanimously.

VARTAN VARTANJIAN read the Senior Citizens' Report. It was accepted and passed unanimously.

KRJKOR ZAMRUTJIAN read the A.C.Y.O.A. report.

HAG MASSAKJIAN motioned to accept the report.

KHATCHIG KOUYOUNJIAN seconded.

GARO HAVAGJIAN asked about the monies from the New Year's Eve Dance. Hrant Souin informed him that the report is until 31 December 1980, and that the monies in question would be mentioned in next years report.

EDMOND ARTJIAN asked what the curriculum of the A.C.Y.O.A. is.

SEN. KRJKOR ZAMRUTJIAN explained the functions as being 1) Religious

2) cultural and 3) sports.

JIRAR YERETSJAN asked if the A.C.Y.O.A. was going to commemorate April 24 next year alone, or with the church.

DCN. KRJKOR ZAMRUJAN stated that at the assembly in Watertown, it was decided by the Central Council that the A.C.Y.O.A. must commemorate it specially.

FR. YEGHJSHE GYZRJAN further backed up Dcn. Krikor's reply.

KRJKOR ELMASSJAN asked why he wasn't telephoned for January 5th carolling.

DCN. KRJKOR stated that we would keep it in mind next year.

YEGHJA BEREJKLJAN asked about the budget.

HRANT SOUJN referred him to the period when the budget would be discussed.

ANITA SOUJN made an explanation that her resignation from the A.C.Y.O.A. Executive was put forth incorrectly in the report, and that she would like to delete the entire report.

HRANT BARDAKJAN recommended that just that paragraph be deleted.

MADAT J. MANOURJAN made an observation that Dcn. Krikor should not make a biased report.

BARKEV KHOJAGJAN stated that the report seems to connect the April 24 incident with Anita Souin's resignation, which is incorrect.

MURHAN KARRAN made a suggestion that the paragraph be deleted and only the date and the fact that Anita Souin resigned be included.

KRJKOR ZAMRUJAN stated that the report was written correctly.

JORKOM ZABUNJAN said that he had asked Dcn. Krikor not to blow this incident out of proportion, and that he was disappointed that it was mentioned in the A.C.Y.O.A. Annual Report.

The report was ammended to read that Anita Souin resigned from her position of treasurer on June 16, 1980.

SARKJS KUSIJAN stated that the pride of the individual had to do with the success of the A.C.Y.O.A.

BESROS TCHJLNGURJAN suggested that the Auxilliary Body Reports be edited in the future.

JEAN HOVAGJMAN stated that the A.C.Y.O.A. Executive was wrong in demoting Anita Souin without a warning and without her being present.

The ammended version of the A.C.Y.O.A. Annual Report was passed unanimously.

ANJ KOKORJAN read the Junior A.C.Y.O.A. Annual Report.

JORKOM ZABUNJAN motioned to pass the report.

HAGG MISSAKJAN seconded.

KRJKOR ELMASSJAN wanted to know the names of the executive members.

WALTER KHATCHADOURJAN answered the question. The number of members is 47, all between the ages of 12 - 17 years.

ANJ EUSEMISHLJAN stated that she expected more serious things from the A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors, not just parties, dances and outings for her children.

HRANT SOUJN made an elaboration of the above.

The report was accepted and passed unanimously.

ARSHALOUYS KANSAHARJAN gave an oral report regarding the ST. SAHAG and ST. MESROB ARIMENJAN SCHOOL.

ELIZ ARTJN stated that she did not like the picture of Mr. Alex Manougian which was placed in the school's 25th Anniversary booklet.

HRANT SOUJN stated that she was out of order, discussing 1981 business in an 1980 report.

MARJIG PAPAZJAN asked if another grade was going to be added.

ARSHALOUYS KANSAHARJAN stated that that will be looked into, but that has to be reflected by the parents and the students.

VARTAN VARTANJAN wanted a list of the numbers of girls and the number of boys in each class in next year's report.

The report was accepted and passed unanimously.

JANAR MANOURJAN read the Sunday School Report.

HAGG MISSAKJAN motioned to accept the report.

SUZANNE MANGOJAN seconded.

JORKOM ZABUNJAN recommended that the Parish Council write a letter of thanks to Alice Kouyoumjian (a former teacher.)

MABELLENE DOVLETJAN asked the names of the Sunday School teachers.

ANJTA SOUJNA answered her: 1) J. Torossian 2) S. Krikorian

3) A. Souin

The Sunday School report was accepted and passed unanimously.

JORKOM ZABUNJAN read the Diocesan Delegates' Report (page 17 of the Annual Reports.)

BARKEV KHOJAGJIAN motioned to accept the report.

SUZANNE MANGOJIAN seconded.

BARKEV KHOJAGJIAN made a point of clarification regarding who went to the Diocesan Assembly.

LEVON YAZESJIAN stated that he did not go to the first assembly, but to the second, and asked that it be ammended.

KR9KOR EMMASSJIAN asked why the purchase of land was rejected by the Primate and the Diocesan Council.

HRANT SOURN stated that the request was ammended and re-presented and was accepted. (The ammendments were regarding the \$50,000.00 down-payment.)

KR9KOR EMMASSJIAN asked why there was a mix-up.

HRANT SOURN explained that the land has to be separate from the A.G.B.U. land, and that only the parking facilities are to be shared.

BARKEV KHOJAGJIAN stated that he was puzzled that the Diocesan Assembly didn't understand that in the first place.

JORKOM ZABUNJIAN gave an explanation of the erroneous misunderstanding.

BEDROS TCH9LNGURJIAN asked if the proposal was accepted by the Diocesan Council or not. If so, why the discussion?

HRANT SOURN answered "yes."

SETRAK ABOURJIAN observed that the discussion was a waste of time.

HAGG M9SSAKJIAN asked if the Toronto Parish Council was being kept up-to-date by the Diocesan Council. If so, how? If not, why?

HRANT SOURN answered by stating that Toronto is being kept in suspence regarding the timetable.

FR. YEGH9SHE G9Z9RJIAN stated that 21 February 1981 is the date set for the meeting with all involved churches in Canada, regarding the formation of a Canadian Diocese.

The report was passed unanimously.

LEVON YAZESJIAN read the Ausitor's Report.

BARKEV KHOJAGJIAN motioned to accept the report.

SARK9S DEKER9MEN9JIAN seconded.

All in favour.

HRANT SOURN read the Womens' Guild financial report.

VARJAN VARJANJIAN pointed out a typographical error: 1981 instead of 1980.

HAGH MISSAKIAN motioned to accept the report.

JORKOM ZABUNIAN seconded.

All in favour.

HRANT SOURN read the A.C.U.O.A. Financial Report.

SARKIS KUMBIAN motioned to pass the report.

NUBAR KARADJIAN seconded.

HRANT SOURN read the Armenian School Financial Report.

BEDROS TCHILINGURIAN asked why \$1,244.00 was spent on the teachers' party.

KRJKOR JOZAKIAN explained that there was a party, plus gifts, for the teachers and their spouses.

EUGENE KARADJIAN asked about the insurance coverage.

HRATCH SHUSHMANIAN explained that the \$105.00 insurance fee is over and above the regular Ontario Government insurance, and covers anyone in the building the Saturday Armenian School hours up to \$100,000.00.

JORKOM ZABUNIAN observed that without the \$5,000.00 donation from Alex Manougian, there would be a debit.

HAGH SELIAN stated that the report covers from September 1979 - August 1980 (coinciding with the Canadian School year) therefore the Babayan Foundation donation in October would have covered the debit in the budget.

BETTE OUNJIAN asked what the Board of Education gives under the "Heritage Program."

KRJKOR JOZAKIAN and HRATCH SHUSHMANIAN explained that Ontario gives each teacher \$41.50/week, therefore \$600.00/week for the teaching staff, plus \$200.00 for the rental of the school, which adds up to \$35,000.00/year.

The Armenian School Financial Report was passed unanimously.

HRANT SOURN read the Church Choir Financial Report.

KRJKOR EDJASSIAN moved to accept the report.

VARTAN VARTANIAN seconded.

HRANT SOURN read the Junior A.C.U.O.A. Financial Report.

HAGH MISSAKIAN moved to accept the report.

JORKOM ZABUNIAN seconded.

ANTRANIG CHILINGURIAN read the Senior Citizens' Financial Report.

HARRY MANGOJIAN moved to accept the report.

NUBAR KARADJIAN seconded.

NUBAR JOSSOUMJAN read the Holy Trinity Armenian Church Disbursements for 1980.

The outcomes of the voting were as follows:

Parish Council

1) Sarkis Tchilinguirian	104 votes
2) Leo Khosrovian	80
3) Nishan Manjelian	63
4) Jorkom Zabunian	63
5) Haroutioun Yessayan	62
6) Hagop Yeretsian	61

7) Jean Hovagimian	53
8) Nurhan Karran	51
9) Yeghia Berejiklian	45
10) Sarkis Kuimjian	14

Nominating Committee

1) Minas Selyan	104
2) Hratch Boyadjian	96
3) Edward Dovletian	81
4) Harry Ampagoumian	78
5) Sarkis Dekermenjian	63

6) Vartan Vartanian	61
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Auditing Committee

Haig Selian	64
Vahe Minnetian	73
Suzanne Mangoian	55

Harry Artinian	53
Berge Toughlouian	44

The number of votes cast was 115.

SARKIS DEKERMENJIAN, regarding the Financial Reports, asked as a point of clarification, where the difference was between the Church Choir donation of \$500.00 and the Holy Trinity Armenian Church re-

ceipt of \$322.19.

VANE MNMETSJAN answered that the "Sale of Records" donation was deducted from by the cost of pressing the records.

HRANT BARSAKJAN asked if we had declining membership, regarding the difference in the membership dues collected and those forecast in the Projected Budget.

BEDROS TCHILINGURJAN continued by asking if there was in reality an \$8500.00 deficit.

HRANT SOUJN answered positively, explained by the Holy Cross Seminary donation, etc.

There were several other questions and discussions regarding the discrepancies between the various Financial Reports.

HAGG MESSAKJAN made a recommendation for the new Treasurer(s) of the Parish Council and for the new Auditing Committee, that all expenses and donations should be itemized in future reports.

SUZANNE MANGOJAN moved that the recommendation be passed.

HARRY MANGOJAN seconded.

HRANT SOUJN read the Projected Budget for 1981.

HAGG MESSAKJAN moved to accept it.

MNAS SELJAN seconded.

All in favour.

New Business was introduced to the assembly by Hrant Souin, and an agenda for the speakers was set.

GERRARD PEDERJAN made 4 suggestion/statements;

- 1) We cannot function as a parish without a permanent pastor.
- 2) Instead of spending \$1200.00 on a teachers' party, the money should be given to the teachers, as they fulfill an important task for our community.
- 3) We must obtain a microphone for the parish hall.
- 4) The placing of smoking/non-smoking placards was useless in this assembly, since the smoke travels. There must be a decision whether to make the annual assembly smoking/non-smoking.

MARSHAG PAPAIZJAN made a motion that 29 November must be celebrated officially by the church.

SUZANNE MANGOJAN seconded.

It was ruled out of order by reason of it being political.

SCN. KRJKOR ZAIRUTJAN made two recommendations;

1) That the Parish should take advantage of the various training programs available by the Diocese.

2) That a bus service be instituted for the Sunday School.

HRANT SOUMN stated that it would be better that the parents bring their children to school rather than send them.

JAKVOR HOPYAN asked if there was a feasibility study taken for the Canadian Diocese, and if so, what the budget is.

HRANT SOUMN ruled the question out of order until the meeting on 21 February. SARKIS TCHILINGIRIAN answered that the budget should be between 70-75,000.00 dollars for all of Canada.

JAKVOR HOPYAN made a lengthy speech regarding the financial feasibility of having a new church as opposed to a separate Diocese. He also made a motion to postpone the establishment of a Canadian Diocese, and to concentrate of building a new church first.

FR. YEGHYSHE GYZIRIAN stated that we must wait until 21 February.

BENJAMIN MAMOURJAN stated that we can only recommend the financial difficulty we would have in meeting the budget requirements of a separate Diocese in the 21 February meeting.

JACQUELINE SOUMN moved to accept the suggestion.

LILY KERIM seconded.

HAG SELJAN expressed his worry that the 21st of February meeting will see a decision forced on the two paying Canadian parishes (Toronto Holy Trinity and Montreal), since past performance has shown the other parishes are irresponsible in their financial obligations.

HRATCH BOYAJJAN and HRANT SOUMN elaborated on this possibility.

MADAT J. MAMOURJAN stated that the other Canadian parishes cannot get into this without paying their dues.

HAG SELJAN moved to close the Annual Parish Assembly.

KRJKOR ELMASSJAN seconded.

All in favour. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

FR. YEGHYSHE GYZIRIAN made a few remarks and closed the meeting with the benediction.

Chairman

HRANT SOUMN

PRESIDENT

Father Yeghishe Gyzirian
Rt. Rev. Yeghishe Gyzirian

Secretaries
English/Armenian

Mona Selyan
A. Chilingirian
Antranig Chilingirian