

MINUTES OF THE 2011 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2011
FIRST ASSEMBLY SESSION

The General Assembly of the Armenian Church Youth Organization of America convened on Thursday May 26, 2011 at 5:45 pm. The 2010 ACYOA General Assembly Chair George Macarian (CC Treasurer, Boca Raton, FL) welcomed delegates and called the meeting to order.

The following Central Council members were present:

Lydia Kurkjian, Chair (White Plains, NY)
Danny Mantis, Vice Chair (Racine, WI)
Karen Dardarian, Secretary (Detroit, MI)
George Macarian, Treasurer (Boca Raton, FL)
Gevork Vartanian, Programming Coordinator (Providence, RI)
Alex Ouzounian, Chapter Relations Coordinator (Racine, WI)

The following Central Council member was absent: Ara Janigian, Public Relations Coordinator (Providence, RI)

Invocation

The Primate, His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian offered the Invocation.

Roll Call

Karen Dardarian (CC Secretary, Detroit, MI) conducted roll call. She stated that 37 of the expected 56 delegates were present. (*See Attachment A*)

Introduction of Robert's Rules of Order

Assembly Chair George Macarian (CC Treasurer, Boca Raton, FL) invited Antranig Garibian to review Robert's Rules of Order. Antranig provided a brief explanation of these rules referring to the "Parliamentary Procedure at a Glance" chart supplied to the delegates in their registration folders. (*See Attachment B*)

Election of Assembly Chair and Vice Chair

Representing the Nominating Committee, Olivia Derderian (White Plains, NY) presented the following nominees for Assembly Chair: Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL) and Harry Kezelian (Detroit, MI). There were no nominations from the floor.

Paul Derderian (White Plains, NY) made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) and passed.

Adoption of Agenda (*See Attachment C*)

Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) suggested moving item IX, Report of the Hand in Hand ACYOA/FAR Committee, to the beginning of the Fourth Assembly Session. Chelsea Kress (Fair Lawn, NJ) seconded this motion and the motion carried.

Aaron Derderian (Watertown, MA) proposed moving item XI, Report of the 2010 Sports Weekend Committee, to the beginning of the Third Assembly Session just after roll call. The chair and vice chair were expected to be present on Friday. Angel Raven Tevan (Watertown, MA) seconded this motion and the motion carried.

Mallory Maslar (St Petersburg, FL) proposed removing item VIII A, Q & A with Central Council Candidates. She felt that candidates were well known and the delegates had ample time to read the biographies provided. Aaron Derderian (Watertown, MA) seconded the motion. The motion carried with 12 opposed.

Aaron Derderian (Watertown, MA) made a motion to accept the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Der Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes) and the motion carried.

Election of Assembly Chair and Vice Chair (con't)

Olivia Derderian (White Plains, NY) announced that Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL) was elected Chair of the Assembly and that Harry Kezelian (Detroit, MI) would serve as Vice Chair of the Assembly.

Appointment of Secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms, Parliamentarian, and Resolutions and Courtesies Committee

Assembly Chair Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL) announced that Adrienne Ashbahian (Wynnewood, PA) and Olivia Derderian (White Plains, NY) have been appointed Assembly Co-Secretaries by Central Council.

He appointed Ronald Malconian (Cambridge, MA) and Shant Paklaian (Chicago, IL) to serve as Sergeants-at-Arms. Der Yeprem Kelegian (Racine, WI) and Danny Mantis (Racine, WI) were appointed to serve as the Parliamentarians.

The following delegates were appointed to serve on the Resolutions and Courtesies Committee: Armen Terjimanian (Washington DC), Andrew Piligian (Framingham, MA) and Paul Derderian (White Plains, NY).

Acceptance of 2010 General Assembly Minutes

The floor was opened for questions regarding the minutes of the 2010 General Assembly. No questions were posed. Gevork Vartanian (CC Programming Coordinator, Providence, RI) made a motion to accept the minutes from the 2010

General Assembly. Liana Kurkjian (White Plains, NY) seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Joint Report of the Central Council and Executive Secretary

The Central Council report (*see Attachment D*) and the report of the Executive Secretary (*see Attachment E*) were presented together by Lydia Kurkjian (CC Chair, White Plains, NY) and Nancy Basmajian (ACYOA Executive Secretary). After the presentation, Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL) invited comments.

Hayr Daniel Findikyan (St. Nersess Seminary, New Rochelle, NY) stated that he applauds Nancy for her remarks and he wants to have a discussion with the assembly on what we can do to address Nancy's observations. Lydia Kurkjian (CC Chair, White Plains, NY) remarked that the assembly would have time Friday morning to have a discussion.

Der Yeprem Kelegian (Racine, WI) raised concern over a motion that was passed at General Assembly last year, which stated that each chapter was to donate ten percent of their profits to St. Nersess Armenian Seminary for 2010. He requested accountability for this commitment.

Der Krikor Sabounjian (Framingham, MA) addressed Lydia Kurkjian (CC Chair, White Plains, NY) to ask what specific concerns she has about the ACYOA.

A motion was made by Der Krikor Sabounjian (Framingham, MA) to accept the Joint Report of the Central Council and Executive Secretary. It was seconded by George Macarian (CC Treasurer, Boca Raton, FL) and passed.

Report of the Auditing Committee

One member of the 2010 Auditing Committee, Eric Ashbahian (Fair Lawn, NJ), presented the committee's findings (*see Attachment F*). They reviewed their recommendations and concerns. Eric informed the assembly of the discrepancy between the projected and actual costs of the Leadership Conference. Although the Diocese reimbursed a portion, it is the recommendation of the Auditing Committee that the Central Council revise the budget for this event.

A bank charge was also acknowledged by the Auditing Committee; the Central Council Treasurer informed the committee that the bank had made an error. The error was reconciled.

The Auditing Committee recommended that the Central Council Treasurer use a check stub method of bookkeeping, which should be supplemented by a spreadsheet of transactions. It was advised that in future financial reports, the Central Council Treasurer put in a value of \$0 in empty spaces of the spreadsheet.

Mallory Maslar (St Petersburg, FL) made a motion to accept the report of the 2010 Auditing Committee. The motion was seconded by Crystal Densmore (Racine, WI) and was accepted.

Welcome by the 2011 Sports Weekend Committee

The 2011 General Assembly/Sports Weekend Committee Co-chairs, Lorie Odabashian (Wynnewood, PA) and John Baboujian (Wynnewood, PA), welcomed the delegates to Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Church in Wynnewood, PA and briefly reviewed the schedule of activities and events.

Der Yeprem Kelegian (Racine, WI) made a motion to open the floor for a brief discussion on the Executive Secretary's report. The motion was seconded by Der Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes) and the motion was passed. An open microphone discussion was held to find out the youths' concerns.

A motion to recess was duly made, seconded and carried.

FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2011

SECOND ASSEMBLY SESSION

Primate's Message

The Primate, His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian delivered his annual message to the Assembly. (*See Attachment G*)

Bible Study

Hayr Simeon Odabashian (Diocesan Vicar) introduced the format of the Bible Study. He reflected on the Primate's message and stated that this year's Diocesan theme would be "The Call to Serve: Ministry of the Faithful." Nancy Basmajian (ACYOA Executive Secretary) broke the Assembly into groups and distributed copies of the Bible study exercise. (*See Attachment H*)

Youth Testimonies

Krikor Javardian (Cheltenham, PA) and Alyne Corrigan (Elberon, NJ) presented their testimonies regarding lay ministry in their parishes.

Roundtable Discussion/Feedback

The Assembly was divided up into groups to facilitate a roundtable discussion about bringing lay ministry to the youth and the church. (*See Attachment I*)

Wrap-up – The Call to Serve: Ministry of the Faithful

Michael Guglielmo (Executive Director of the Diocese) spoke about how important it is to serve God and the Armenian Church and to live out our faith in Christ in our lives. He expressed his amazement at the fact that we gave up a long weekend to be here.

The Assembly Chair, Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL) called for a break and stated that the Assembly will reconvene at 11:45 am.

THIRD ASSEMBLY SESSION

The Assembly Chair Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL) called the meeting to order and asked Karen Dardarian (CC Secretary, Detroit, MI) to call the roll at 11:49 AM.

Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) motioned to move elections before the Report of the 2010 Sports Weekend Committee. The motion was seconded by Alex Derderian (Wynnewood, PA) and the motion passed with one opposed.

Elections: Central Council

The Assembly Chair invited the Nominating Committee to conduct the elections. Member Olivia Derderian (White Plains, NY), passed her Nominating Committee duties to the Nominating Committee alternate, Harry Kezelian (Detroit, MI) and the 2010 Auditing Committee Representative, Eric Ashbahian (Fair Lawn, NJ), because she was one of the nominees for Central Council.

The Assembly Chair, Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL), opened the floor to nominations.

Der Krikor Sabounjian (Framingham, MA) nominated Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI). The nomination was seconded by Jon Pelaez (Livingston, NJ) and accepted.

Olivia Derderian (White Plains, NY) nominated Armen Terjimanian (Washington DC). The nomination was seconded by Der Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes) and accepted.

Lydia Kurkjian (CC Chair, White Plains, NY) made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA).

Hayr Aren Jebejian (Chicago, IL) made a point of information to note which candidates were incumbents.

Gevork Vartanian (CC Programming Coordinator, Providence RI) motioned to recognize the Central Council candidates by standing. The motion was seconded by Angel Tevan (Watertown, MA) and passed.

Karen Dardarian (CC Secretary, Detroit, MI) conducted roll call. She announced that 50 voting delegates were present.

Report of the 2010 Sports Weekend Committee (*see Attachment J*)

Co-Chair of the 2010 Sports Weekend Committee, Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA), stated that the other Co-Chair, Sarven Ipek (Watertown, MA), was unable to attend General Assembly. In his report, he described the pros and cons of the event and expressed that the weekend was extremely expensive and that fundraising and parish support is key in hosting General Assembly/Sports Weekend. Mark recommended that future weekends should be planned well in advance in order to fundraise and create parish support.

Assembly Chair, Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL), opened the floor to questions for the 2010 Sports Weekend Committee.

Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) inquired about hotel exclusivity and the expense of the unused hotel rooms. He asked how many rooms were unused and what the error was in the projection of the amount of rooms requested. Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA) explained that the hotel was bigger than what the committee hoped. The hotel agreed to allow the Sports Weekend Committee to use the hotel exclusively but the committee had to pay for any unused rooms. He also explained that having hotel exclusivity is an insurance cost that they were happily willing to pay. Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) asked if it is necessary to maintain hotel exclusivity. Mark responded that hotel exclusivity is essential for having an incident free weekend, even though it was costly.

Gevork Vartanian (CC Programming Coordinator, Providence, RI) made a motion to accept the report. Armen Terjimanian (Washington, DC) seconded the motion and the motion passed.

2010 Financial Report

Central Council Treasurer George Macarian (CC Treasurer, Boca Raton, FL) presented the 2010 Financial Report (*see Attachment K*). George highlighted a few things in the report. First, the blank cells under actual income and expenses should be read as zero dollars. Second, ACEF interest accounts for 40% of our true income, which is income that comes from the Armenian Church Endowment Fund. The interest we received at the end of 2009 for the 2010 year had decreased from the previous years because it represents the holdings of 2007, 2008 and 2009 during which we experienced an economic downturn. Next year, our holdings will only be based on one recession year, so our income is expected to increase. Third, there was a deficit incurred for Armenia Service Program. He believed most of this will be reimbursed. Lastly, the \$17,267 spent on Leadership Conference this year was due to the Primate's interest in having more conferences. However, the expense was reimbursed under "other income" for \$12,353, leaving the true cost to be \$4,913, which was under budget. George turned to the assembly for any questions.

Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA) questioned the "Sports Weekend Profit" line item. George stated that this number is from the 2009 Sports Weekend. He also stated that the 2010 Sports Weekend Committee received a check for \$750 that was

used towards transportation; he wondered where this was represented. George invited Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Chicago, IL) to answer that question because he was the Treasurer for the earlier part of the fiscal year. Danny first wanted to state that the 2009 Sports Weekend did not in fact turn a profit and because it was a regional committee, a larger amount of seed money was given to them. The \$3,719 reported under "Sports Weekend Profit" should be under the line item "SW Returned Seed Money". As far as the \$750 goes, Danny said that this should be stated in the "General Assembly" line item under Expenses, and it will be corrected.

Der Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes) requested that a balance sheet be attached with the financial report as an addendum. George stated that historically this has not been done, but he would be more than happy to do so.

Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA) asked why the Jerusalem Patriarchate did not receive the \$1,000 that was approved under the expenses. Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Chicago, IL) answered that there were simply no trips that went with any ACYOA members last year. George stated that it is being sent with ACYOA members this summer. Mark suggested that we give them \$2,000 this year to make up for the money we did not send last year. Since this was already approved in the budget, George said that this could be done.

Der Yeprem Kelegian (Racine, WI) had a question about the amount of money in the ACEF item "Harry & Jeannie Zeroogian Endowment Fund". George said that he does not manage the fund, but can look into Der Yeprem's concern. Der Yeprem also brought up the idea of sending out thank you letters to the individuals/families who contribute to the endowment fund. George thanked Der Yeprem for this recommendation.

Hayr Aren Jebejian (Chicago, IL) questioned why there was a separate item for ACYOA Investment Fund. Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Chicago, IL) stated that this was given by the Diocesan Council six years ago in the amount of \$35,000. It has since been used for various things such as the Regional Sports Weekend and scholarships. It is managed by ACEF, but the principal is unrestricted. Hayr Aren wanted to know the history of the use of this money. Danny said the largest portion of the draw was from the 2009 Sports Weekend. Alex Derderian (Wynnewood, PA), who was the chair of the weekend, clarified that \$10,000 was used as seed money for the event. Hayr Aren asked if this amount would be paid back. Alex stated that the weekend did not draw a profit and only about \$9,000 was paid back.

Angel Raven Tevan (Watertown, MA) made a motion to accept the report, which was seconded by Alex Ouzounian (CC Chapter Relations Coordinator, Racine, WI). The motion carried.

Elections: Central Council (con't)

Harry Kezelian (Detroit, MI) and Eric Ashbahian (Fair Lawn, NJ) announced that the following candidates received the majority and were elected to Central Council:

Adrienne Ashbahian (Wynnewood, PA)
Karen Dardarian (Detroit, MI)
Olivia Derderian (White Plains, NY)
Danny Mantis (Chicago, IL)
Armen Terjimanian (Washington, DC) will serve as alternate.
Assembly Chair Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL) announced that the assembly would break for lunch.

Primate's Luncheon & Presentation of ACYOA Awards

The following ACYOA Awards were presented by Central Council (*see Attachment L for a complete listing of the 2011 awards*):

Chapter "A" Award:	St. Gregory Church, White Plains, NY
Gregory Arpajian Award:	Gregory Dalakian, St. Mary Church, Livingston, NJ
Sam Nersessian Award:	Alex Derderian, Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Church, Wynnewood, PA

FOURTH ASSEMBLY SESSION

Elections: Nominating Committee (3 positions)

The Nominating Committee presented the ballot for 2012 Nominating Committee as follows:

Erica Belezarian (Springfield, MA)
Alyne Corrigan (Elberon, NJ)
Alina Grigorian (Racine, WI)
Talene Kachigian (Wynnewood, PA)
Alex Rimma Oganessova (St Petersburg, FL)
Lauren Piligian (Framingham, MA)

Note: The following nominees were not present: Erica Belezarian (Springfield, MA), Talene Kachigian (Wynnewood, PA) and Lauren Piligian (Framingham, MA).

The floor was opened for further nominations.

The following candidate was nominated, seconded and accepted the nomination:
Matt Royland (Fair Lawn, NJ)

The following candidate was nominated and seconded but declined the nomination:
Paul Derderian (White Plains, NY).

Gevork Vartanian (CC Programming Coordinator, Providence, RI) made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by Alex Ouzounian (CC Chapter Relations Coordinator, Racine, WI) and was passed.

Elections: Auditing Committee (3 positions)

The Nominating Committee presented the nominees for the 2011 Auditing Committee:

Eric Ashbahian (Fair Lawn, NJ)

Justin Kalemkiarian (Minneapolis, MN)

Mallory Maslar (St Petersburg, FL)

Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL)

Andrew Piligian (Framingham, MA)

Note: The following nominee was not present: Justin Kalemkiarian (Minneapolis, MN).

The floor was opened for further nominations.

The following was nominated and accepted the nomination: Krikor Javardian (Cheltenham, PA)

The following candidates were nominated, seconded but declined the nomination: Jon Pelaez (Livingston, NJ) and Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA).

Alex Ouzounian (CC Chapter Relations, Racine, WI) made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) and passed.

Karen Dardarian (CC Secretary, Detroit, MI) conducted roll call. She stated that 51 out of an expected 56 delegates were present and voting.

Report of the Hand in Hand ACYOA/FAR Committee

ACYOA/FAR Chairman Gregory Dalakian (Livingston, NJ) and Hasmig Tateosian (FAR Liaison to ACYOA) addressed the assembly in order to provide an update on the committee's progress. (*See Attachment M*)

George Macarian (CC Treasurer, Boca Raton, FL) commended the committee for the amount of success it has produced in just one year. Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) also expressed his respect for what the committee has done and for their dedication. He requested that the interns serving at the FAR Children's Center this summer do video testimonials while in Armenia to keep us up on the progress being made during their stay.

Liana Kurkjian (White Plains, NY) commented that she was in Armenia this past summer and had an amazing experience when she spent some time with the children at the FAR Children's Center. She informed everyone that it is easy to

forget about these kids when we return to our lives; she asked if there is anything more that we could do as a group for them. Greg advised that the first step would be for each chapter to have a dedicated liaison to the Hand in Hand Committee. Also, if anyone desires to be a part of the committee, they should not hesitate to contact him.

Der Nersess Jebejian (Florida) asked what could be done to bring the effort to the parish level and also inquired about the goal of the committee. Greg suggested that the start of this would be the interns returning to their parishes after the summer to make presentations and raise awareness. Hasmig commented on the goals, which is first to make a connection and have a presence. The Primate suggested that the committee provide a couple of needs that could be undertaken on a parish level. Greg commented on the 40K fundraiser. Hasmig said this would be a foster care program where funds would be raised to support one child a year. Greg said his best answer to this question is that the committee is still developing long-term goals and the best thing that they are doing now is creating that connection.

Elections: Auditing Committee (cont'd)

The following nominees received a majority and were elected to the 2012 Auditing Committee:

Eric Ashbahian (Fair Lawn, NJ)
Krikor Javardian (Cheltenham, PA)
Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL)
Mallory Maslar (St Petersburg, FL) will serve as alternate.

Elections: Nominating Committee (cont'd)

The following nominee received a majority and was elected to the 2012 Nominating Committee:

Alyne Corrigan (Elberon, NJ)

Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) made a motion to drop the lowest vote getter. The motion was seconded by Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA). Jon Pelaez (Livingston, NJ) requested the distribution of votes. There was a 4 vote difference between the lowest vote getter and the 2nd lowest vote getter, and there was a 2 vote difference between the 2nd lowest vote getter and the 3rd lowest vote getter. A motion was made by Der Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes) to close discussions and was seconded by Eric Ashbahian (Fair Lawn, NJ). The motion passed. Alina Grigorian (Racine, WI) was removed from the ballot.

The following nominees remained on the ballot:

Erica Belezarian (Springfield, MA)
Talene Kachigian (Wynnewood, PA)
Alex Rimma Oganesova (St Petersburg, FL)

Lauren Piligian (Framingham, MA)
Matt Royland (Fair Lawn, NJ)

The Assembly was asked to vote for no more than two of the remaining Nominating Committee candidates. Karen Dardarian (CC Secretary, Detroit, MI) conducted roll call. She stated that 52 voting delegates were present.

New Business: 2012 Proposed Budget

George Macarian (CC Treasurer, Boca Raton, FL) opened the floor for questions and comments on the income section of the budget. (*See Attachment N*)

Jon Pelaez (Livingston, NJ) questioned the line item "Religious/ Educational Programs". He asked if the \$5,000 budget was needed since only \$300 was spent in 2010. George stated that this money is expected to be spent in the upcoming year. Jon also asked for a breakdown of the "other income" line income. George responded that this is two separate reimbursements from the Diocese and the Primate for the Leadership Conference. Jon motioned to add a line item called "reimbursements" to the income section of the 2012 proposed budget. The motion was seconded by Alex Ouzounian (CC Chapter Relations Coordinator, Racine, WI). The floor was open for comments. Der Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes) asked if reimbursements were anticipated. George confirmed that each year we get reimbursements from the DYE. Danny stated that these technically are not reimbursements; they are a contribution towards the cost of the effort of Leadership Conference. Danny feels that "other income" is sufficient, and speaks strongly against another line item. A motion was made to move the question, which was seconded by Aaron Derderian (Watertown, MA) and passed. The motion to add a line item entitled "reimbursements" passed.

Aaron Derderian (Watertown, MA) moved to reconsider the vote due to a hasty decision, which was seconded by Der Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes). The motion to reconsider the vote passed.

Gevork Vartanian (CC Program Coordinator, Providence, RI) moved to table the discussion until after the results of the elections.

Elections: Nominating Committee (cont'd)

Since there was no clear winner, Alex Ouzounian (CC Chapter Relations, Racine, WI) made a motion to drop the lowest two vote getters. The motion was seconded by Liana Kurkjian (White Plains, NY). Talene Kachigian (Wynnewood, PA) and Erika Belezarian (Springfield, MA) were taken off the ballot.

The following nominees remained on the ballot:

Alex Rimma Oganessova (St Petersburg, FL)
Lauren Piligian (Framingham, MA)
Matt Royland (Fair Lawn, NJ)

Karen Dardarian (CC Secretary, Detroit, MI) conducted roll call. She stated that 47 voting delegates were present.

New Business: 2012 Proposed Budget (cont'd)

Assembly Chair Sam Mrofcza (Chicago, IL) opened the floor to discuss the expenses section of the budget.

Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA) proposed increasing the "Sports Weekend Seed Money" line item to \$2,500 by taking \$1,000 out of "Chapter Visits/Contacts" line item, since the committee that will host the 2012 General Assembly/Sports Weekend will have only one year to fundraise. The proposal was seconded by Aaron Derderian (Watertown, MA). Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Chicago, IL) spoke against this proposal. The Central Council wants to get back to grassroots-type leadership and be more active in the area of chapter visits. Danny also pointed out that the 2011 Sports Weekend Committee had only one year to fundraise and they were able to do so successfully. Armen Terjimanian (Washington, DC) spoke for the motion to support the parish that will have to do the fundraising. Jon Pelaez (Livingston, NJ) moved to close the discussion. The motion was seconded by Aaron Derderian (Watertown, MA) and passed. A vote for Mark's motion was passed with a 2/3 vote, 22 for and 15 against.

Jon Pelaez (Livingston, NJ) asked if we should expect a continuing high expense for leadership conference. George responded that this expense was offset by the amount under "other income". Jon restated his question. The Primate recommends that the budget remain as it is, and donations will cover any additional expenses.

Jon Pelaez (Livingston, NJ) questioned the "General Assembly" line item. He noticed that the amount allocated was 50% higher than the previous year and wanted to know if we were expecting a more expensive General Assembly next year. George stated that the budget was raised to ensure that it would cover any expenses that are incurred next year for General Assembly.

Armen Terjimanian (Washington, DC) noticed that the budget for the website increased by \$250 and was curious about this increase. George said that the Central Council plans on making some changes to the website, so the budget has been increased to reflect that. Armen also addressed that there are no funds allocated for the Newsletter line item. He wanted to know if this means that the Hye Hokin Newsletter will not be published in 2012. George confirmed this.

Armen Terjimanian (Washington, DC) wanted to make sure that communication is maintained in spite of Hye Hokin no longer being published. Lydia Kurkjian (CC Chair, White Plains, NY) responded that the e-blasts are being sent monthly and reach our target demographic more efficiently than snail mail.

Karina Nikogosian (Chicago, IL) made a motion to reconsider the previously passed motion, which moved \$1000 from the "Chapter Visits/Contacts" line item to the

“Sports Weekend Seed Money” line item. The motion was seconded by Der Krikor Sabounjian (Framingham, MA). The motion to reconsider passed. Der Krikor spoke against the move of funds and was in favor of keeping the budget as it was originally. The reconsidered motion did not carry and the budget remained as it was originally.

Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI) moved to accept the budget as presented. Angel Raven Tevan (Watertown, MA) seconded the motion and it carried.

Election Results: Nominating Committee

The following nominees received a majority and were elected to the 2012 Nominating Committee:

Alyne Corrigan (Elberon, NJ)
Alex Rimma Oganessova (St Petersburg, FL)
Lauren Piligian (Framingham, MA)
Matt Royland (Fairlawn, NJ) will serve as alternate.

Note: For a complete slate of candidates and all election results, *see Attachment O*.

New Business: Proposals

There were no written proposals submitted to Central Council.

New Business: 2012 & 2013 General Assembly/Sports Weekend Bids

Shant Paklaian, Sam Mrofcza, and Karina Nikogosian of the St. Gregory ACYOA chapter of Chicago, IL presented their bid for the 2012 Sports Weekend/General Assembly.

There were no additional bids for 2012 and no bids for 2013.

Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA) had a question about the hotel exclusivity of Sports Weekend.

Jon Pelaez (Livingston, NJ) made a motion to accept Chicago’s bid for 2012 General Assembly/Sports Weekend. Motion seconded by Danny Mantis (CC Vice Chair, Racine, WI). The motion passed.

New Business: Other

Der Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes) expressed concern over the ACYOA Prayer on the ACYOA website. He noted that it is an abbreviated prayer and is not aware of how or why it was abbreviated. He requests that a concerted effort be made to find as many historical records as can be found and that they be properly stored and made accessible. He also requests that an effort be made to find out how the prayer was changed, and if no information is found that it be restored to its original form.

Andrew Piligian (Framingham, MA) and Harry Kezelian (Detroit, MI) made a proposal that was deemed out of order due to failure to bring the amendments to the Central Council thirty days prior to the assembly.

Hayr Daniel Findikyan (St. Nersess Seminary, New Rochelle, NY) proposed that Central Council hold no less than four regular meetings in smaller parishes of our Diocese, including those that do not have a full-time pastor. In addition to their regular business, the Central Council should meet with parish leadership and youth and, if possible, participate in Sunday liturgy. The proposal was seconded by Der Krikor Sabounjian (Framingham, MA); the motion carried and the proposal was open for discussion. Lydia Kurkjian (CC Chair, White Plains, NY) made a suggestion to change the number of meetings to three because the Central Council only has six regular meetings throughout the year. Hayr Daniel Findikyan (St. Nersess Seminary, New Rochelle, NY) approved this. Aaron Derderian (Watertown, MA) spoke in favor of the proposal. The proposal was voted on and passed.

Mark Giragosian (Watertown, MA) proposed that a new committee be created for outreach to Jerusalem, as follows:

“Whereas the Armenian Patriarchate has had a long-standing presence in Jerusalem, and is in a dire time of need, I propose the ACYOA form a new standing committee committed to annual fundraising, outreach, and service.”

The motion was seconded by Crystal Densmore (Racine, WI), but did not receive a three-fourths vote (19 in favor out of 32) to be considered for discussion.

Hayr Aren Jebejian (Chicago, IL) spoke in favor of pursuing the concerns the assembly has about Jerusalem. The Primate suggested that the Central Council identify the needs of the Patriarchate so that a plan can be developed. Sending money is not the issue; it is the management of the property in Jerusalem and the political climate. He suggested that we figure out how to support Jerusalem in these two areas.

Report of the Resolutions and Courtesies Committee

Armen Terjimanian (Washington DC), Paul Derderian (White Plains, NY) and Andrew Piligian (Framingham, MA) presented the Resolutions and Courtesies Committee Report (*see Attachment P*). Delegates made a few additions to the report.

A motion was made to accept the report as amended. The motion was seconded and carried.

Passing of the Banner to the 2012 General Assembly Committee

In a special ceremony, Lydia Kurkjian (CC Chair, White Plains, NY) and Central Council members passed the Assembly banner to the 2012 General Assembly/Sports Weekend Committee Co-Chairs, Sam Mrofcza and Shant Paklaian and Karina Nikagosian, the Chapter Chair of St. Gregory Church of Chicago, IL.

Adjournment and Benediction

Hayr Oshagan Gulgulian (Wynnewood, PA) moved to adjourn the Assembly; the motion was seconded by Shank Paklaian (Chicago, IL) and passed.

The Primate offered the benediction to officially close the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel Mrofcza (Chicago, IL)
2011 ACYOA General Assembly Chair

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ATTACHMENT A
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ATTACHMENT B - ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER – PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE AT A GLANCE

TO DO THIS:	YOU SAY THIS:	May I interrupt the speaker?	Do I need a second?	Debatable?	Amendable?	What vote is needed?	Can it be reconsidered?
ADJOURN MEETING	"I move that we adjourn."	NO	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY	NO
CALL AN INTERMISSION	"I move that we recess for..."	NO	YES	NO	YES	MAJORITY	NO
COMPLAIN ABOUT HEAT, NOISE, ETC.	"I rise to a question of privilege."	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO VOTE	NO (USUALLY)
TEMPORARILY SUSPEND CONSIDERATION OF AN ISSUE	"I move to table the motion."	NO	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY	NO
END DEBATE AND AMENDMENTS	"I move the previous question."	NO	YES	NO	NO	TWO-THIRDS	NO ¹
POSTPONE DISCUSSION FOR A CERTAIN TIME	"I move to postpone discussion until..."	NO	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY	YES
GIVE SOMETHING CLOSER STUDY	"I move to refer the matter to committee."	NO	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY	YES ²
AMEND A MOTION	"I move to amend the motion by..."	NO	YES	YES ³	YES	MAJORITY	YES
INTRODUCE BUSINESS	"I move that..."	NO	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY	YES
--MOTIONS ABOVE ARE IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE							
PROTEST BREACH OF RULES OR CONDUCT	"I rise to a point of order."	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO VOTE ⁴	NO
VOTE ON A RULING OF THE CHAIR	"I appeal from the chair's decision."	YES	YES	YES	NO	MAJORITY ⁵	YES
AVOID CONSIDERING AN IMPROPER MATTER	"I object to consideration of this motion."	YES	NO	NO	NO	TWO-THIRDS ⁶	.. ⁷
VERIFY A VOICE VOTE BY HAVING MEMBERS STAND	"I call for a division." or "Division!"	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO VOTE	NO
REQUEST INFORMATION	"Point of information."	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO VOTE	NO
RECONSIDER A HASTY ACTION	"I move to reconsider the vote on..."	YES	YES	.. ⁸	NO	MAJORITY	NO
TAKE UP A MATTER PREVIOUSLY TABLED	"I move to take from the table..."	NO	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY	NO
SUSPEND RULES TEMPORARILY	"I move to suspend rules so that..."	NO	YES	NO	NO	TWO-THIRDS	NO

¹ Unless vote on question is not yet taken

² Unless the committee has already taken up the subject

³ Only if motion to be amended is debatable

⁴ Except in doubtful cases

⁵ A majority in negative needed to reverse ruling of chair

⁶ A 2/3 vote in negative needed to prevent main motion consideration

⁷ Only if main question or motion was not considered

⁸ Only if motion to be reconsidered is debatable

ATTACHMENT C
2011 ACYOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Church, Wynnewood, PA
Le Meridien Philadelphia
MAY 26-27, 2011
AGENDA

THURSDAY, MAY 26 - SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

9:00 am – Morning Worship

- I. Invocation
- II. Roll Call
- III. Introduction of Robert's Rules of Order
- IV. Revision of ACYOA Bylaws
- V. Adjournment

GENERAL ASSEMBLY - First Assembly Session *(time to be determined)*

- VI. Invocation
- VII. Roll Call
- VIII. Introduction of Robert's Rules of Order
- IX. Election of Assembly Chair and Vice Chair
- X. Appointment of Secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms, Parliamentarian, and Resolutions and Courtesies Committee
- XI. Adoption of Agenda
- XII. Acceptance of 2010 General Assembly Minutes
- XIII. Joint Report of the Central Council and Executive Secretary
- XIV. Report of the Hand in Hand ACYOA/FAR Committee
- XV. Report of Auditing Committee
- XVI. Report of the 2010 Sports Weekend Committee
- XVII. Welcome by the 2011 Sports Weekend Committee

8:30 pm – Clergy and Delegate Reception

FRIDAY MAY 27

8:00 am – Breakfast / 8:45-9:00 am – Morning Worship

Second Assembly Session

9:00 am – 11:15 am

- I. Primate's Message
- II. Bible Study
- III. Youth Testimonies

- IV. Roundtable Discussion / Feedback
- V. Wrap-up – The Call to Serve: Ministry of the Faithful
Michael Guglielmo, Executive Director, Diocese of the Armenian Church

Break – 11:15-11:30

Third Assembly Session

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

- I. Roll Call
- II. 2010 Financial Report
- III. Elections
 - A. Q & A with Central Council Candidates
 - B. Central Council (4)
 - C. Nominating Committee (3)
 - D. Auditing Committee (3)

12:30 pm – 2:15 pm

Primate's Luncheon

Presentation ACYOA Awards

Group Photo

Fourth Assembly Session

2:15 pm – 3:45 pm

- IV. Elections (cont'd)
- V. New Business
 - A. 2012 Proposed Budget
 - B. Proposals
 - C. 2012 & 2013 General Assembly/Sports Weekend Bids
 - D. Other

Break – 15 Minutes

Fifth Assembly Session

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

- VI. New Business (cont'd)
- VII. Report of the Resolutions and Courtesies Committee
- VIII. Passing the Banner to the 2012 General Assembly Committee
- IX. Adjournment and Benediction

ATTACHMENT D
ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
2010 ANNUAL CENTRAL COUNCIL REPORT

The 2010 calendar year was a fruitful one for the **Armenian Church Youth Organization of America (ACYOA)**. The ACYOA Central Council works diligently to support chapters throughout the regions of our Diocese. At the end of 2010, we had 26 official chapters. Our focus this year was not only to establish new chapters, but also to strengthen existing ones. We understand that the ACYOA is an important vehicle for young people to become, or stay, involved in the life of their parishes, the Diocese, and the Armenian Church as a whole, and our work is towards this aim. Our goal is to bring young members of the Armenian Church closer to Christ through the Circles of the Cross (worship, education, service, witness, and fellowship), while instilling in them the desire to become an integral part of the life of their church.

Central Council Meetings

The Central Council met six times during 2010. His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian was present for our April, June, September and November meetings. ACYOA Executive Secretary Nancy Basmajian was present at all meetings. Those meetings were held as follows: February 13 (Fair Lawn, NJ), April 17 (Chicago, IL), May 1 (Evanston, IL - Diocesan Assembly), June 19 (Diocese), September 18 (St. Nersess Seminary), November 20 (Southfield, MI).

Additionally, Central Council members participated in three conference calls: August 17, October 6, and December 21.

Members of Central Council also participated in joint FAR/ACYOA meetings on the following dates: August 17, September 15, and November 11.

Second Annual Chapter Workshop

Inspired by the success of the first annual chapter workshop held in 2009, the Central Council held a second workshop January 15-17. St. David Armenian Church in Boca Raton, FL hosted the weekend. Thirty-nine participants from 18 parishes attended. Sessions were held at the church and participants stayed at the Hilton, Deerfield Beach, FL. The workshop's theme focused on the basics of running a chapter.

Alumni Ball

In an effort to engage and thank alumni as well as build bonds between current and former ACYOA members, the Central Council co-hosted a Poon Paregentan Alumni Ball on February 13 with the ACYOA chapter of St. Leon Armenian Church in Fair Lawn, NJ. The ball took place at St. Leon Church and was attended by over 200 people. Central Council and the local chapter split the profits; each received \$1,148.45.

Leadership Conferences

After a decade of retreat-type Young Adult Leadership Conferences at the Don Bosco Retreat Center in Stony Point, NY, this program was revamped into a more professional workshop aimed at leadership training. Central Council worked closely with the Primate and members of the

Diocesan Council to plan a leadership conference that took place March 5-7. Seventy-nine young leaders participated from 32 parishes. Sessions took place at the Doubletree Hotel, Tarrytown, NY. In order to prepare, the Central Council had planning meetings with the Primate and members of the Diocesan Council on January 9 and February 20.

The feedback from this program was overwhelmingly positive, and as a result, the Primate asked Central Council to assist in planning a second leadership conference, this time with the theme of “Leading with Faith,” that took place October 8-10. There were 53 participants from 24 parishes. Sessions were held at Diocesan Center in New York and participants stayed at the nearby Envoy Club Suites. The Central Council worked with the Primate and members of Diocesan Council to plan this program through conference calls on June 8 and July 16, meetings on July 18 (Evanston) and August 23 (Diocese), as well as a training session for facilitators on September 25 at the Diocese. A highlight of this weekend was the launch of the FAR supply drive.

ACYOA Day

Palm Sunday is the official ACYOA Day in our Diocesan calendar. The following Central Council members traveled to parishes throughout our Diocese to make presentations about the importance of ACYOA (March 28): Alex Derderian –Watertown, MA; Danny Mantis – Dallas, TX; Ara Janigian – Cambridge, MA; Gevork Vartanian – Fair Lawn, NJ; Danielle DerAsadourian – Racine, WI.

General Assembly and Sports Weekend

The 2010 ACYOA General Assembly and Sports Weekend was held on May 28-31, hosted by the St. James Armenian Church ACYOA Chapter in Watertown, MA. There were 107 delegates and observers from 29 parishes at General Assembly, which was held at the St. James. Overnight accommodations were at the Copley Square Hotel in Boston, MA. More than 430 registered participants at Sports Weekend. The Sports Weekend committee turned over a profit of \$1600 to the Central Council.

ACYOA/FAR Partnership: Hand in Hand Subcommittee

As per the following proposal adopted by the 2010 GA, the ACYOA and FAR have formed a partnership.

Whereas, service is the natural expression of a life in Christ and is one of the five circles of the cross upon which ACYOA initiatives are based, and because of the dire needs of our homeland, the Central Council proposes that the ACYOA partner with the Fund for Armenian Relief to adopt an outreach project(s) in Armenia. The Central Council will explore opportunities available through FAR, choose an appropriate project for the organization and appoint a Standing Committee which will develop and implement a plan of action by 2011.

The Central Council appointed a subcommittee headed by Gregory Dalakian of St. Mary Armenian Church in Livingston, NJ. The 17-person committee consists of ACYOA members and FAR staff and has named itself “Hand in Hand.” Significant strides have been made to achieve the goals of Hand in Hand, which include: (1) a supply drive for the FAR Children’s Center in Yerevan in which 27 parishes participated, (2) a 2011 summer internship for qualified

young people at the FAR Children's Center, (3) a two-day project for the 2011 ASP participants at the FAR Children's Center in Yerevan, and (4) a digital platform to establish communication between the children/youth at the Children's Center and the ACYOA.

Armenia Service Program

The Armenia Service Program (ASP) took place from June 29-July 20 with 17 young adults representing 8 parishes. Fr. Tateos Abdalian, Director of Mission Parishes for Diocese, served as Director and Katrina Shakarian of Holy Martyrs Armenian Church in Bayside, NY served as Assistant Director. Participants traveled throughout Armenia to learn about their homeland and grow closer to their Armenian Christian identity. The Central Council partnered with FAR for the service portion of the trip; participants spent 7 days in Gyumri volunteering at the FAR Soup Kitchen for the city's seniors and assisting with renovations at the Oundjian School.

Communication

The Central Council uses various ways to communicate with members, chapter and parish leaders, Diocesan leaders, and the Armenian-American community. A winter issue of the *Hye Hokin* newsletter was published, and email blasts to pastors and ACYOA members are sent out monthly. A liaison system is used to disseminate and collect information from chapters, and our website is updated regularly with current information on programming, Central Council activities, and photos. As social networking sites have become the most efficient way communicate, we frequently use Facebook and Twitter to get information out quickly to our members.

Newly organized chapters

Five new ACYOA chapters were established in the following cities: Baton Rouge, LA; Bayside, NY; Cambridge, MA; Hollywood, FL; Manhattan, NY.

ACYOA Executive Secretary

The ACYOA Executive Secretary (Nancy Basmajian) is a member of the Department of Youth and Education and is responsible for the day-to-day management of the ACYOA office at the Diocesan headquarters and for guiding and assisting the ACYOA Central Council.

Administrative tasks include mailings, drafting letters, maintaining an ACYOA Directory and calendar of events, preparing news releases and promotional materials, and responding to general and specific inquiries. She attends all Central Council meetings and works directly with that body in carrying out its goals and programs; the 2010 highlights included 2nd Annual Chapter Workshop, Leadership Conferences in March and October, the Annual General Assembly, the Armenia Service Program, the Hand in Hand: ACYOA/FAR subcommittee (attending meetings and coordinating the Holiday Outreach to Armenia supply drive for the FAR Children's Center). Other responsibilities involve working with colleagues in the Department of Youth and Education in carrying out the theme of Vocations and other projects, serving as a group facilitator at the Diocesan Assembly, a teacher-training workshop for the Sunday school staff of Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Church in Wynnwood, PA on February 28, as well as coordinating the eight-week Diocesan/AGBU summer internship program.

ACYOA Central Council Officers

January to May

Alex Derderian (Chair), Talin Hitik (Vice Chair), Danny Mantis (Treasurer), Lydia Kurkjian (Secretary), Danielle DerAsadourian (Chapter Relations Coordinator), Gevork Vartanian (Program Coordinator), Ara Janigian (Public Relations Coordinator).

June to December

Lydia Kurkjian (Chair), Danny Mantis (Vice Chair), George Macarian (Treasurer), Karen Dardarian (Secretary), Alex Ouzounian (Chapter Relations Coordinator), Gevork Vartanian (Program Coordinator), Ara Janigian (Public Relations Coordinator).

Respectfully submitted,

Lydia Kurkjian, Chairperson
ACYOA Central Council

ATTACHMENT E

2010 Report of the ACYOA Executive Secretary

The ACYOA Executive Secretary works with the guidance of the Primate through the Department of Youth and Education of the Diocese and is responsible for the day-to-day administrative operation of the ACYOA and supporting/implementing the goals and programs of the Central Council.

Summary of 2010 Activities

Central Council Meetings: Attended the following Central Council business meetings:

- February 13 at St. Leon Church, Fair Lawn, NJ
- April 7 at St. Gregory Church, Chicago, IL
- May 1 during the Diocesan Assembly in Evanston, IL
- June 19 at Diocesan headquarters, NYC
- September 18 at St. Nersess Seminary, New Rochelle, NY
- November 20 at St. John's Church, Southfield, MI

There were also three conference calls on August 17, October 6 and December 21.

In addition, there were several meetings and conference calls to plan the March and October Leadership Conferences: January 9, February 20, June 8, July 16, and August 23.

Programs: The Executive Secretary facilitated, coordinated, implemented, designed and/or participated in the following events/programs:

- January 15-17 – 2nd Annual ACYOA Chapter Workshop, St. David Church, Boca Raton, FL (39 chapter leaders from 18 parishes participated)
- March 5-7 – Young Adult Leadership Conference, Doubletree Hotel, Tarrytown, NY (79 participants from 32 parishes)
- May 27-28 – ACYOA General Assembly, St. James Church, Watertown, MA (107 delegates/observers from 29 parishes participated)
- June 29-July 20 – Armenia Service Program (ASP), 17 participants from 8 parishes toured Armenia and spent a week in the city of Gyumri serving at two FAR work sites—a soup kitchen for senior citizens and renovations at the Ounjian School; Rev. Fr. Tateos Abdalian (Director of Mission Parishes) served as ASP leader
- October 8-10 – Young Adult Leadership Conference, Diocesan headquarters, NYC, (53 participants from 24 parishes participated); conducted a training session for conference facilitators on September 25
- ACYOA-FAR Partnership – Coordinated Holiday Outreach to Armenia, a supply drive to benefit the FAR Children's Center in Armenia (over 27 parishes participated in the project, contributing much-needed supplies and raising over \$5000 in contributions); attended committee meetings on August 17, September 15 and October 4.

Administration/Communication

- Routinely drafting letters, forms, resources, etc. needed for the smooth operation of the ACYOA office and the implementation of Central Council programming; maintaining and updating files, leadership directory and database
- Maintaining regular communication (usually via electronic mail) with pastors and ACYOA leadership regarding programs and events
- Overseeing regular news releases on ACYOA and Central Council activities

Non-ACYOA Activities:

- Diocesan Summer Internship Program – Assisted in the AGBU-Diocesan Summer Internship Program at Diocese from June 15 to August 6; three interns, all active ACYOA members, participated in the program.
- Conducted a teacher-training workshop on February 28 for the Sunday school staff of Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Church, Wynnewood, PA
- Served as curriculum reader for several new Sunday school texts (in manuscript form) being prepared by the DYE Christian Education Coordinator
- Participated in an ACYOA Juniors Retreat for Philadelphia parishes—Sts. Sahag & Mesrob and Holy Trinity—on March 27; Rev. Fr. Stepanos Doudoukjian served as retreat leader

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT F

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

2010 ACYOA CENTRAL COUNCIL

The auditing committee has completed an audit of the ACYOA Central Council's revenue and expenses for the period June 2010 through May 2011 as well as the overall financial report for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. The purpose of this audit was twofold 1) to determine if the ACYOA Central Council complied with its agreements and stayed within the guidelines of the 2010 budget and 2) to reconcile the bank statements with the central council treasurer's financial records.

The committee first focused their attention on the 2010 financial report showing the 2010 budget versus what was actually spent. The committee noticed the \$7500 in projected costs for the leadership conference as compared with the 17,267.29 that was actually spent. When questioned, the treasurer informed the committee that the Diocese reimbursed part of the cost. It is the recommendation of the committee that, based on last years reimbursement, the central council reconsider the budget of the leadership conference for 2012. The committee also noticed the 5000 projected under Religious/Educational programs versus the actual of 300 and requests more information.

The committee next focused their attention on ensuring the checkbook was properly reconciled with the bank statements. We were informed that a new account had been opened in June of 2010 with Bank of America («BOA») and that the old account, also with BOA, remained open. Despite the old account being left open the committee was informed that all future activity would be done with the new account. Upon questioning further why the old account was left open it was explained that the account was left open due to the difficult multi-state logistics and paperwork necessary to close the account. We were informed that the money in the old account could be transferred over to the new account with the hit of a button if funds were needed to replenish the new account. When reviewing the bank statements it was found that over the course of the first two months that the new account was open 105 dollars were charged to the account for insufficient funds which included a returned check. Looking further in the statements it was found that the 105 dollars was refunded to the account. The treasurer informed us that the bank had made an error on their end, showing that the account had less in it than what it actually had and therefore was charging for overdraft fees but was informed of the problem and reconciled it. Other than this, no financial or transactional discrepancies were found between the bank statements and check stubs for the period June 2010 through April 2011.

As a result of the audit the committee has a few recommendations which they feel may aide both future auditing committees and Central Council members. These recommendations are just that, recommendations. It is ultimately up to the treasurer to determine what record keeping works best for them.

1. The current treasurer uses a checkstub method of bookkeeping. While this method is legitimate and used by others the committee recommends the treasurer supplement this with a spreadsheet which states every transaction that takes place with a small

description of what the transaction was so that it is more easily understood why money either came in or went out. The committee is more than happy to share with the current treasurer an example to get them started should he choose to use it.

2. There are also a number of spaces under the 2010 actual column which are blank. The committee asks that if a value of a cell in the spreadsheet is zero the treasurer put in 0.00. If this is not the case and these were left blank intentionally the treasurer is being asked to explain why they are not reported.

On behalf of myself, Sam and Justin the auditing committee would like to thank the Central Council, specifically the treasurer George Macarian, for their support during the auditing process.

Sincerely,

Eric Ashbahian

Samuel Mrofcza

Justin Kalemkiarian

May 27, 2011

ATTACHMENT G

Archbishop Khajag Barsamian

Address: ACYOA Assembly—May 26, 2011

St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Armenian Church, Wynnewood, Pennsylvania

Reverend Clergy, ACYOA Delegates, Friends:

I am so pleased to be with you at this annual Assembly of the Armenian Church Youth Organization of America, hosted by the ACYOA Central Council. It is always a special joy for me to spend these days here, among the rising leaders of our church.

Let me begin by offering my appreciation to all of you for being here, for being involved in the life of the Armenian Church. I welcome the presence of our Diocesan clergy, who are showing their support by being here today. And I extend my appreciation for the leadership of Nancy Basmajian, the ACYOA Executive Secretary.

Our host parish—the St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Church of Wynnewood—its strong ACYOA chapter, and its hard-working organizing committee, have again done a splendid job of organizing this event.

I especially want to thank the ACYOA Central Council, which has truly been an exemplary group of leaders this year. Please help me acknowledge the Central Council members for the splendid work they have done. God bless them, and may He strengthen their service to our church.

These young adults—and indeed, all of you here today—are wonderful illustrations of our Diocesan focus for the coming year: the vocation of Lay Ministry.

For the past two years, our Diocese has been exploring the meaning behind “Vocations: The Call to Serve.” This idea of Vocation—a personal “calling” by our Lord—is a topic that cuts to the heart of our identity as church-members, and the role we should play in society.

I have already spoken to you in past years of the special vocation of the priesthood: of how the role of pastors in parish life is indispensable to the continuing mission of the Armenian Church. We have reflected on the transformative power of God’s call. And we have discussed the priesthood as a worthy pathway for young men to pursue.

Today, and throughout this year, I want to enlarge our understanding of “the call to serve”—and consider, in a broader way, how God calls to His children.

I want to emphasize that every baptized member of our church is called by our Lord—indeed has already been called by him—to carry forward Christ’s mission and ministry on earth. That is what I mean by “lay ministry”—what I call “The Ministry of the Faithful.”

But most of all, I want to emphasize that you are the people who are carrying on this ministry in our world.

What you do in your parishes—the sense of motivation and conviction that drives you—is a genuine call to serve our Lord Jesus Christ. Sometimes, I know, the call is hard to hear over all the noise of modern life. But it's there—and your presence here, your activity in your parishes, is a sign that our Lord has reached out to you with his call.

Of course, part of that call is to be a lamp through which the light of Christ shines on others, and illuminates them to the presence of Christ in their own lives. Through the power of Holy Spirit, the people to whom we minister can themselves become part of the “Ministry of the Faithful.”

Our Lord will strengthen us with confidence and conviction as parish leaders, when we draw others into the large, diverse web of lay ministry in the Armenian Church.

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As I said, every baptized member of the Armenian Church is part of the Ministry of the Faithful. And it is at baptism that our Lord's call is clearly announced in a person's life, for the first time.

The Armenian Baptism service is filled with language testifying to our role as lay ministers. During the Confession of Faith, the priest reads the gospel passage known as the “Great Commission,” which is perhaps the most direct example of our Lord's call to service:

“Go therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit: teaching them to observe whatever I have commanded you. And, behold, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world” (Mt 28:19-20).

That calling—to teach others as Jesus has taught us—lies at the heart of the vocation of lay ministry. We are called to minister to the church, to each other, and to the world around us—a world that today seems very much in need of reminders that Christ is truly among us.

This idea of teaching, and especially teaching by example, is something I want you all to think about. As young adults, you are now old enough to have realized that the younger children in our community look up to you—look to you as examples of what they can become.

I want you to think back on what it was like to be such a child: to observe the parish members of an older generation performing the *voghchooy*n, singing in the choir, or distributing *mahs* at *badarak*.

As a child, these visible functions in church were enough to impress you, inspire you, lead to your own service years later.

But now think about the young people currently in your parish, who are looking at you in the same way: seeing in you an example of what it means to be a leader of the Armenian Church—perhaps being inspired to walk along the same path someday.

That is an example of the ministry you are performing: of the way you are bringing our Lord's light into another person's life—illuminating a path for their future.

I believe such ministry is being performed when-ever, and how-ever, you participate in church life. Perhaps you are a member of the choir, or a deacon on the altar, or a teacher in Sunday School or Armenian School.

Or perhaps you are comforting a fellow parishioner in pain; reaching out to a human being in need; raising money or public awareness for a good cause. Each of these is a service to our Lord—an opportunity for lay ministry.

And in each of these cases, the eyes of other people are upon you. Not just the young children of the church, mind you. Your peers in the church are also looking to you for leadership: for an example of sincere and generous Christian service. When you are confident and proud of your identity as an Armenian Christian—when you show by example that ministry to our Lord is something beautiful, powerful, and valuable—other people will gain an appreciation of it, too. They will want to share it, and show their own commitment in diverse ways.

Our hope is that this year, all of us can become more conscious about our role in lay ministry. We will give greater thought to how our efforts are advancing the church's mission—and about how we can inspire others to share in it.

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To give one concrete example of such an endeavor, let me praise the ACYOA-FAR project. It began as an outgrowth of our very successful National Youth Leadership Conferences, which brought together a diverse group of your peers from ACYOA chapters throughout our Diocese. As a result, the ACYOA partnered with the Fund for Armenian Relief, taking up a responsible role to help the young children of FAR's Children Center in Yerevan. Your peers have taken up collections in our parishes, sent toys and art supplies, and keep in regular personal contact with the children through the Internet.

It has proved to be a wonderful, uplifting way to reach out to others in need. And it has developed as a conscious form of Christian ministry. It's not superficial, but is a real expression of love to needy brothers and sisters in our homeland.

What I love about this project is that it illustrates how “Ministry of the Faithful” means living as Christ has taught us—and inspiring others to do the same. And this inspirational ministry—multiplied over many people—can have a profound positive effect on the world.

Our Lord had a very vivid way of describing this. Matthew’s Gospel tells us how, one day, Jesus sat by the sea, talking to a multitude of people—great crowds, hanging on his every word, trying to gain some wisdom from his teaching. What did he say these people? He spoke to them in parables, using language and ideas that they could relate to from their daily lives.

“You know the mustard seed?” he asked them. “It’s the very smallest of seeds. But the kingdom of heaven is like that. A man plants it—and when it grows, it becomes the greatest of herbs, and birds can even rest in its branches.”

Christ followed it up with another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast,” he said. “A woman takes it, and mixes it into three measures of flour. And that little bit of yeast makes the whole loaf rise.”

I do not know much about mustard seeds. But I can personally relate to that parable of the yeast. I can vividly remember my mother and grandmother, working the dough by hand to make their Easter choreg. It would only take a small amount of yeast to transform the flat dough into a beautiful choreg loaf—able to nourish the whole family.

That is what your efforts out in the world are like. You are the yeast in the greater society. Yours are the hands that work the dough, so to speak, and allow a greater transformation to take place. At the workplace, in school, in all your interactions with the broader public, your individual example as a minister of Christ can have far-reaching effects. Our Lord’s light—shining through you—illuminates others. His compassion—exemplified in your actions—can inspire multitudes.

It is in church, living and working side-by-side with fellow Armenian Christians, that we receive the inspiration and strength to carry this ministry forward.

Today, and in the year to come, I ask that you realize the true potential of lay ministry. And I know that our Diocese, our church, and our society overall, will be stronger, healthier, filled with greater creativity and inspiration, for your efforts.

May our risen Lord bless you, and all of our people. And may He continue to lead us, as a church, along His holy path of ministry. Thank you.

ATTACHMENT H
2011 ACYOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
The Call to Serve: Ministry of the Faithful

Bible Study – Romans 12: 1-8 (A letter from St. Paul to the people of Rome, 1st century A.D.)

¹Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. ²Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to discern the will of God—his good, pleasing and perfect will. ³For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has given you. ⁴For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith. ⁷If it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

1. Reflecting on verse 2, in what ways do you tend to conform to the world? What are some of the world's major influences on your generation? How do they affect you?
2. What point is St. Paul making in verses 4-5? How is the church described here and what does this tell us about its nature? What does this mean for us today?
3. Where do you see your gifts in the following contemporary summary of verses 6-8?

The Prophet: Fortright, outspoken, uncompromising. Points people back to the church's mission in concrete situations.

The Servant: Practical. Needs-oriented. Hardworking, conscientious and faithful. Gets satisfaction in seeing things done, regardless of who gets the credit.

The Teacher: Concept-oriented. Systematic, logical and theoretical. Good at insight into Scripture and teachings of the church and making things clear to others.

The Encourager/Exhorter: Success-oriented. Disciplined, single-minded and dedicated. Good at setting goals and exhorting others.

The Steward/Giver: Cause-oriented. Strategist. Able to see "big picture," assess resources, accumulate wealth and use it wisely.

The Administrator/Leader: Task-oriented. Organized, authoritative, decisive and thrives under pressure. Good at delegating responsibility and getting things done through others.

The Sympathizer (Mercy): Feeling-oriented. Good at listening. Sensitive to others in need or who are hurting; compassionate and affirming.

ATTACHMENT I
2011 ACYOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
The Call to Serve: Ministry of the Faithful

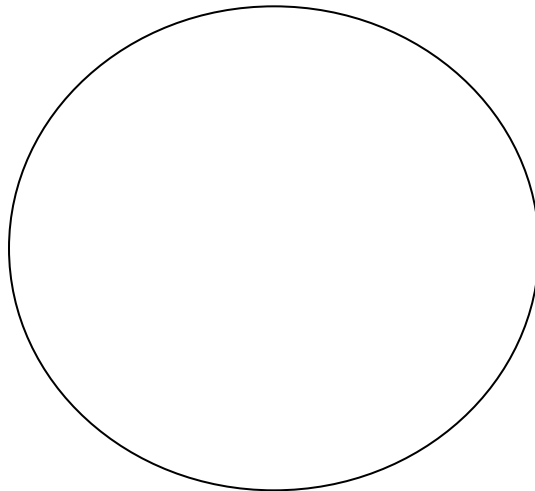
Roundtable Discussion

*THE MISSION OF THE ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC ORTHODOX CHURCH is to preach the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ and to proclaim its message of salvation. This mission is realized through worship, education, witness, service, and a common life in Christ as expressed in the distinctive faith-experience of the Armenian people. All members of the Armenian Church—**both clergy and lay**—are called to participate fully in its mission.*

Roundtable Discussion

1. What aspect of parish life has had the most influence on your growth as a Christian?
From the list below, divide up the pie to illustrate and share with your group.

Armenian School
Sunday School
ACYOA
Badarak
Choir/altar service
Social events
Cultural events



2. How are the laypeople of your parish participating in, and working toward, fulfilling the above Mission Statement?
3. What are some ways in which your generation can get involved in lay ministry? What new and creative areas of lay ministry can be developed in your parish and in the church in general? How can you create these opportunities?

ATTACHMENT J

2010 ACYOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND NATIONAL SPORTS WEEKEND COMMITTEE REPORT

The ACYOA General Assembly & National Sports Weekend was hosted by the St. James ACYOA Seniors of Watertown and was held in Boston from May 27-31, 2010. The weekend was a great success which is an attribute to the entire ACYOA population and the Diocese of the Armenian Church.

COMMITTEE

Pastor:	Fr. Arakel Aljalian
Co-Chairs:	Mark Giragosian and Sarven Ipek
Ad Book:	Michelle Kostikian and Janelle Yildizyan
Events:	Alexa Diranian
Hospitality:	Anais Hachikian and Jbid Ipek
Public Relations:	Alicia Antreassian and Anais Hachikian
Registration:	Talene Tarvezian
Security:	Derenig Kostikian, Paul Kurkjian and Alex Yildizyan
Sports:	Garen Jarkian and Marc Khederian
Youth Minister:	Maria Derderian
Advisors:	Yn. Natasha Aljalian, Tom Gengozian, Ben Saraydarian

OVERALL GOALS AND IMPRESSIONS

From the start an amazing amount of time and thought went into planning the 2010 ACYOA General Assembly & National Sports Weekend. Having won the bid to host two years in advance there was a lot of time for discussion involving previous weekends and what has and hasn't worked and how our committee wanted to shape and market our weekend. There were many meetings held in that first year which really made a huge difference. We feel as though having the second year to plan really made our weekend well thought out and planned. Below are the major goals that were set:

Have an incident free weekend: From the start the Sports Weekend planning committee made it top priority to ensure that Sports Weekend would happen without an incident. Over a year before Sports Weekend, the co-chairs met with three members of Diocesan Council (including our pastor Fr. Arakel) to discuss the concerns of Diocesan Council and to create guidelines and protocol to ensure Sports Weekend would run without incident. A detailed account of this discussion detailed plan can be found as part of the "Sports Weekend Preliminary Synopsis" document which was presented at a Diocesan Council meeting in June of 2009. From the start there was a lot of thought and planning that went behind running an incident free weekend and this was accomplished and every aspect was followed to the last detail. We are happy that there were no major incidents to report.

Host the weekend in the city: When our chapter placed a bid to host Sports Weekend at the 2008 General Assembly in Washington DC, our goal was to host the weekend in Boston's Back Bay. This was done for many different reasons but mostly to attract people to the weekend because of the location of the actual event. Most often Sports Weekend is hosted not in a city,

but in a suburb or rural area, this does work, however our desire was to give the weekend a different vibe and feel. There were certainly many positives to hosting the weekend downtown, however the main negative aspect was the cost was more expensive than in years when the weekend is not hosted downtown. We feel strongly that we marketed the weekend properly and having the event in the city was a great change and worked wonders for us.

Gain Hotel Exclusivity: After the 2008 Sports Weekend, Diocesan Council set some new standards and guidelines regarding accommodations for Sports Weekend. One of these guidelines required that the weekend be held in a hotel which was smaller and was exclusive to the ACYOA group. Our committee was able to locate a hotel in downtown Boston and we were able to negotiate exclusivity with the hotel. Since the hotel was granting us exclusivity over a holiday weekend, we were required to pay for all room nights that were not picked up by Sports Weekend participants. This was a major financial obligation for our chapter and without a solid two years of fundraising it would not have been possible. Exclusivity in the long run served our group very well and the money spent on unused rooms was worthwhile to ensure no outside guests were in the hotel. We were thrilled to host the weekend in an exclusive downtown hotel but it was difficult financially. Our hope is that Diocesan Council and the ACYOA will be able to work together and come up with a set of guidelines regarding accommodations at Sports Weekend so that planning committees can have ample time to plan accordingly.

Hold events in attractive venues outside the hotel: During our initial discussion and planning our committee had the idea of hosting all of our evening events in venues that were outside of the hotel. The idea behind this was first to showcase the city and show our participants different parts of the city through unique venues. Second, the thought was to get participants outside of the hotel. Most often issues in the hotel are caused by people gathering in hotel rooms and not going to events. Our thought was by making our evening events attractive to participants we would get people to the events and away from partying in their hotel rooms. Our hotel was perfect in the sense that there was no event space in the hotel which made it necessary to hold all of our events in outside venues. An incredible amount of thought, time and effort went into choosing and securing our evening event venues. We found three very unique and different venues and really made a strong effort to market our events. This worked out perfectly and we heard nothing but compliments surrounding our evening event venues. As with the hotel exclusivity this was a very heavy financial obligation to our chapter and again would not have been possible without a strong fundraising effort by our chapter.

Create a unique and memorable experience for everyone: Even during initial brainstorming we wanted to give Sports Weekend participants “The Ultimate Boston Experience”. This is how we wanted to market the weekend and wanted to truly make people feel as though they experienced the city. As mentioned above, hosting the weekend in a downtown hotel and having outside venues were crucial in doing this. This was also accomplished by offering a Saturday Duck Tour and by having old town trolleys as transportation for our Saturday Gala. We also were happy to host the General Assembly at St. James and our reception at ALMA. This gave our delegates a chance to see Watertown and experience the history and Armenian culture of Watertown. Overall, we feel as though we were able to create a very unique experience to participants and couldn’t be happier that the weekend plans ran perfectly.

PARTICIPATION:

- The weekend was very well attended as over 450 registered participants took part in weekend events and activities.
- In addition, the General Assembly had over 100 delegates and observers who actively participated in the two day meeting.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

- The weekend was successfully held at The Copley Square Hotel in downtown Boston, which was exclusively occupied by our ACYOA group.
- In order to achieve exclusivity, the host committee had to bear a heavy financial burden. The weekend would not have been possible without two full years of active fundraising leading up to the weekend (fundraising events, commemorative ad book, underwriting, etc.)

EVENTS:

- Friday: Kings Back Bay Bowling and Entertainment Venue
- Saturday: Gala at The State Room, one of Boston's most exclusive Ballrooms
- Sunday: Dance at The Estate
- From the beginning, our committee was committed to holding events outside of the hotel to encourage full participant attendance at the events and to draw them away from hotel rooms
- .All of the events were held at popular Boston venues to attract participants.
- The Saturday event, which was open to St. James parishioners (over the age of 18), sold out at 500 people.
- Again, extensive fundraising was required in order to achieve the above goal which would not have been possible without a large, very supportive parish and friends.

FINAL THOUGHTS:

Hosting this weekend was a major undertaking for our parish and ACYOA, and we were extremely satisfied with the positive outcome of the weekend. It energized our local ACYOA and gave countless individuals a chance to serve our Church. After two years of hard work and planning, we were inspired to see so many people gather in the name of the Armenian Church.

Respectfully submitted,

The 2010 Sports Weekend Committee

2010 ACYOA Sports Weekend Financial Report

WEEKEND REVENUE

<u>Fundraising</u>	
October Reunion Dance	\$ 8,000.00
Soujouk & Eggs (4 events)	2,800.00
Underwriting	27,500.00
Ad-Booklet	24,535.00
Uno's Event	52.84
TOTAL FUNDRAISING	\$ 62,887.84
<u>Weekend Registration</u>	
Event Registration	\$ 64,351.00
Team Registration	4,350.00
TOTAL REGISTRATION	\$ 68,701.00
<u>Misc. Revenue</u>	
Seed Money from General Account (Halloween Party Proceeds)	\$ 2,300.00
Seed Money from General Account (Poker Tournament Proceeds)	3,900.00
Seed Money - St. James Armenian Church	4,500.00
Central Council - transportation for GA	750.00
Sports lunches at gym	1,282.00
Primates Luncheon	2,625.00
Refund from State Room	522.92
TOTAL MISC. REVENUE	\$ 15,879.92
TOTAL WEEKEND REVENUE	\$ 147,468.76
<u>TOTAL NET PROFITS</u>	<u>\$ 3,260.41</u>
Check payable to ACYOA Central Council	\$ 1,630.21
Check payable to St. James ACYOA Seniors	\$ 1,630.20

WEEKEND EXPENSES

<u>Event Space Rentals</u>	
Copley Square Hotel - Unused Rooms	\$ 17,446.90
Kings Bowling - Friday Event	22,800.00
State Room -Saturday Event	39,470.00
Estate Nightclub - Sunday Event	8,020.30
Wentworth - Gym Rental	3,150.00
Boston Duck Tours - Trip Expense	1,076.40
ALMA - Thursday Reception	450.00
TOTAL EVENT SPACE RENTAL	\$ 92,413.60
<u>Food and Beverage</u>	
Thursday Delegates Reception	\$ 1,133.00
Friday Welcome Reception	4,688.18
Friday Primate's Luncheon	2,625.00
Reception Beer & Wine	308.49
Sports food for gym sales	766.46
TOTAL FOOD AND BEVERAGE	\$ 9,521.13
<u>Entertainment</u>	
Saturday Band	\$ 2,500.00
Saturday DJ	250.00
Sunday DJ's (4 total)	1,450.00
DJ Equipment for Saturday	130.00
TOTAL ENTERTAINMENT	\$ 4,330.00
<u>Sports</u>	
Referee's for games	\$ 2,390.00
Trophies	575.00
Supplies for games	511.24
TOTAL SPORTS	\$ 3,476.24
<u>Transportation</u>	
Shuttles for weekend	\$ 6,437.30
Saturday Trolley's	2,250.00
TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	\$ 8,687.30
<u>Printing & Mailings</u>	
Postage for mailings	\$ 994.25
Fundraising Printing for mailing	1,775.00
Ad-Book Printing	2,295.00
TOTAL PRINTING & MAILING	\$ 5,064.25
<u>Misc. Expenses</u>	
Return of Seed Money - St. James Armenian Church	\$ 4,500.00
Return of Seed Money - ACYOA General Account	6,200.00
ACYOA Juniors joint ad-book profits	5,000.00
Office Supplies	518.68
Parking Passes for participants	800.00
Parking at Hotel (committee passes)	462.00
General Assembly Expenses	611.15
Towel gift to participants	932.00
Staff shirts	302.00
Cash Box Starter Money	750.00
Weekend Registration refunds	640.00
TOTAL MISC. EXPENSES	\$ 20,715.83
TOTAL WEEKEND EXPENSES	\$ 144,208.35

ATTACHMENT K: 2010 ACYOA Financial Report

INCOME	2010 Approved	2010 Actual
ASP	\$55,000.00	\$50,000.00
ACEF Interest	10,000.00	14,941.59
Income Surplus	7,000.00	
Donations	12,800.00	12,720.00
Fundraising	N/A	1,330.00
Religious/Educational Programs	5,000.00	300.00
Sports Weekend Profit		3,719.30
Sports Weekend Returned Seed Money	1,500.00	
Interest Income	1,000.00	
Other income		12,353.95
Dues	1,100.00	1,100.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$93,400.00	\$96,464.84
EXPENSES		
Armenia Service Program - Present Year	\$55,000.00	\$ 53,341.00
Leadership Conference	7,500.00	17,267.29
Central Council Meetings	10,000.00	7,089.83
Chapter Visits/Contacts	3,000.00	
Religious/Educational Programs	5,000.00	1,000.00
Newsletter	1,500.00	1,608.00
Standing Committees	400.00	
Chapter Assistance Program (CAP)	600.00	
Fund Raising Initiatives	1,000.00	164.98
Scholarships (Armenia Service Program)	1,000.00	500.00
Summer Program Scholarships	1,200.00	1,200.00
Sports Weekend Seed Money	1,500.00	
Diocesan Assembly	400.00	
General Assembly	1,000.00	
Postage		402.12
Copies and Supplies	1,000.00	377.30
Website	1,750.00	1,740.00
Funds Received/Returned	350.00	18.00
EMA Annual Fee		
Jerusalem Patriarchate	1,000.00	
Essay Contest		
Miscellaneous	200.00	200.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$93,400.00	\$84,908.52

Period Ending: 12/31/2010

Armenian Endowment Fund

Account	Account Name	Avg Mkt Value	Principal/Book Value	Available Earnings	Distribution Amt
361	A.C.Y.O.A.				
003000.361	A.C.Y.O.A.	\$19,259.30	\$16,944.41	\$3,372.13	\$866.67
024000.361	Gregory Arpajian ACYOA Endowment Fund	\$11,137.05	\$9,775.47	\$1,971.86	\$501.17
073000.361	Acabe & Roxie Boornazian Fund Endowment Fund	\$2,848.31	\$2,500.00	\$504.39	\$128.17
130000.361	Heratch O. & Sonya Doumanian Endowment Fund	\$4,799.99	\$4,320.00	\$743.02	\$216.00
130100.361	Greta, John, Leo Doumanian Endowment Fund	\$1,433.36	\$1,666.66	(\$154.75)	\$64.50
293000.361	Edward & Helen Mardigian Endowment Fund	\$249,036.82	\$225,000.00	\$37,739.79	\$11,206.66
473000.361	Harry & Jeannie Zeroogian Endowment Fund	\$28.74	\$25.00	\$5.32	\$1.29
A.C.Y.O.A.	... Total Distribution:	\$288,543.57	\$260,231.54	\$44,181.77	\$12,984.46

Period Ending: 12/31/2010

Armenian Endowment Fund

Account	Account Name	Avg Mkt Value	Principal/Book Value	Available Earnings	Distribution Amt
361F	A.C.Y.O.A.				
003100.361F	ACYOA Investment Fund	\$8,884.88	\$10,000.00	(\$4,335.69)	\$399.82
A.C.Y.O.A....	Total Distribution:	\$8,884.88	\$10,000.00	(\$4,335.69)	\$399.82

ATTACHMENT L
2011 ACYOA Central Council Award Recipients

SENIORS

Chapter “A” Award

St. Gregory Church, White Plains, NY

The Gregory Arpajian Award

Gregory Dalakian, St. Mary Church, Livingston, NJ

The Sam Nersessian Award

Alex Derderian, Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Church, Wynnewood, PA

The Fr. Haigazoun Melkonian Award

Rev. Fr. Vasken Kouzouian, Holy Trinity Church, Cambridge, MA

The Fr. Haroutiun and Yn. Patricia Dagley Award

Yn. Arpi Kouzouian, Holy Trinity Church, Cambridge, MA

JUNIORS

Chapter “A” Award

Holy Trinity Church, Cambridge, MA

Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan Leadership Award

Sevan Misirliyan, St. John’s Church, Detroit, MI

Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan Vision Award

Michael Sabounjian, Holy Translators Church, Framingham, MA

Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan Service Award

Brandon Ajamian, Holy Martyrs Church, Bayside, NY

ATTACHMENT M

Hand in Hand Committee Report

This committee has been in effect since September 2010. The mission and purpose of this committee is to build ties with the youth of Armenia, specifically those at the FAR Children Center, through outreach programs like the current Holiday Supplies Drive and Social Networking; online pen-pals that begin correspondence in the early part of next year. Here is a recap of what the committee has been doing since its incarnation.

September

September 15 – First meeting (discussion of overall mission and what FAR wants from the committee)

October

October 4 – Meeting with Mira at the Diocese (we learned more about the needs of the Center)

October 10 – ACYOA Leadership Conference (presentation by committee members to get ACYOA Chapters throughout the Diocese informed and excited about our new relationship with FAR; info about Supplies Drive sent to parish priests shortly after conference)

November

November 19 – ACYOA Member Meeting in NYC (decided on Chapter Liaisons from ACYOA members of committee)

January

January 22 – Committee Meeting (discussion of future projects including Skype Pal Initiative)

February

Boxes from Supply Drive sent to Armenia

March

March 8 – Committee Meeting (Skype Pal Initiative Pilot Program Surveys sent out)

Committee Members:

Rev. Fr. Tateos Abdalian, Eric Ashbahian (Secretary), Nancy Basmajian (ACYOA Executive Secretary), Andre Berg (Digital Platform Director – FAR), Nicholas Burdman, Gregory Dalakian (Chairman), Paul Derderian, Bianka Dodov, Lydia Kurkjian (ACYOA CC Chairperson), Danny Mantis (ACYOA CC), Garnik Nanagouljian (FAR Executive Director), Katrina Shakarian (Digital Platform Coordinator – ACYOA), Hasmig Tatioossian (FAR Project Manager), Gregory Toufayan (FAR Board of Directors), Gevork Vartanian (ACYOA CC), Arto Vorperian (Children's Center Partnership Manager), Arie Zakaryan, Lisa Zaroogian

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Dalakian,
Hand in Hand Committee Chairman

ATTACHMENT N

2010 ACYOA Proposed Budget

	2009	2009	2010	2010	2011	2012
INCOME	Approved	Actual	Approved	Actual	Approved	Proposed
ASP	\$65,000.00	\$44,640.00	\$55,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$50,000.00
ACEF Interest	15,000.00	16,363.02	10,000.00	14,941.59	10,000.00	10,000.00
Income Surplus	14,000.00	13,948.35	7,000.00		17,200.00	14,750.00
Donations	7,800.00	1,950.00	12,800.00	12,720.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Fundraising	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,330.00	0.00	2,500.00
Reli/Educ Programs	5,000.00	5,150.00	5,000.00	300.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
SportsWeekend Profit	5,000.00	0.00	0	3,719.30	0	0.00
SW returned seed \$	1,500.00	8,644.22	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00
Interest Income	1,100.00	0	1,000.00		0	0.00
Other income	0	2,620.00	0	12,353.95	0	5,000.00
Dues	1,100.00	1,610.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$115,500.00	\$94,925.59	\$93,400.00	\$96,464.84	\$91,900.00	\$91,950.00
EXPENSES						
ASP - Present Year	\$65,000.00	\$47,428.34	\$55,000.00	\$53,341.00	\$55,000.00	\$50,000.00
ASP - Upcoming Year	0	0	0	0	0	3,750.00
Leadership Conference	7,500.00	6,850.47	7,500.00	17,267.29	7,500.00	7,500.00
Central Council Mtgs	13,000.00	8,613.98	10,000.00	7,089.83	10,000.00	10,000.00
Chptr Visits/ Contacts	4,000.00	352.66	3,000.00		1,500.00	1,500.00
Reli/Educ Programs	6,000.00	2,000.00	5,000.00	1,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Newsletter	4,000.00	1,860.00	1,500.00	1,608.00	1,900.00	0.00
Standing Committees	700.00	45.10	400.00		200.00	1,500.00
Chapter Assist. Prog	2,000.00	0.00	600.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
Fund Raising Initiatives	1,300.00	708.79	1,000.00	164.98	1,000.00	1,500.00
Scholarships (ASP)	1,000.00	500.00	1,000.00	500.00	500.00	1,000.00
Sumr Prog scholarships	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Sports Wkend Seed \$	1,500.00	10,000.00	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00
Diocesan Assembly	1,000.00	310.00	400.00		750.00	750.00
General Assembly	1,000.00	1,260.62	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,500.00
Postage	500.00	0.00	0	402.12	400.00	0.00
Copies and Supplies	1,000.00	498.50	1,000.00	377.30	0	550.00
Website	3,000.00	2,476.00	1,750.00	1,740.00	1,750.00	2,000.00
Funds Rec'd/Returned	500.00	0	350.00	18.00	0	0.00
EMA Annual Fee	100.00	0	0		0	
Jerusalem Patriarchate	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
Essay Contest	0	0	0		500.00	500.00
Miscellaneous	200.00	314.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$115,500.00	\$85,418.46	\$93,400.00	\$84,908.52	\$91,900.00	\$91,950.00

ATTACHMENT O
2011 ACYOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ELECTION RESULTS

Assembly Chair (vote for 1)

Harry Kezelian (St. John's Church, Detroit, MI) *VICE CHAIR*

***Sam Mrofcza (St. Gregory Church, Chicago, IL) CHAIR**

Central Council (vote for 4)

***Adrienne Ashbahian (Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Church, Wynnewood, PA)**

***Karen Dardarian (St. John's Church, Detroit, MI)**

Aaron Derderian (St. James Church, Watertown, MA)

***Olivia Derderian (St. Gregory Church, White Plains, NY)**

Ani Grigorian (St. Mesrob Church, Racine, WI)

***Danny Mantis (St. Mesrob Church, Racine, WI)**

Armen Terjimanian (St. Mary Church, Washington, DC) *ALTERNATE*

Nicole Varteresian (St. Mark Church, Springfield, MA)

Nominating Committee (vote for 3)

Erika Belezarian (St. Mark Church, Springfield, MA)

***Alyne Corrigan (St. Stepanos Church, Elberon, NJ)**

Alina Grigorian (St. Mesrob Church, Racine, WI)

Talene Kachigian (Sts. Sahag & Mesrob Church, Wynnewood, PA)

***Alex Rimma Oganeseva (St. Hagop Church, St. Petersburg, FL)**

***Lauren Piligian (Holy Translators Church, Framingham, MA)**

Matthew Royland (St. Leon Church, Fair Lawn, NJ) *ALTERNATE*

Auditing Committee (vote for 3)

***Eric Ashbahian (St. Leon Church, Fair Lawn, NJ)**

***Krikor Javardian (Holy Trinity Church, Cheltenham, PA)**

Justin Kalemkiarian (St. Sahak Church, Minneapolis, MN)

Mallory Maslar (St. Hagop Church, St. Petersburg, FL) *ALTERNATE*

***Sam Mrofcza (St. Gregory Church, Chicago, IL)**

Andrew Piligian (Holy Translators Church, Framingham, MA)

**elected*

ATTACHMENT P

2011 Resolutions and Courtesies Committee Report

1. Whereas His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of all Armenians, is a firm supporter of the youth of the Armenian Church and spends generous time with Armenian youth around the world, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends its filial love, respect and wishes of good health to His Holiness. We, the members of the ACYOA, pledge our continued love and support to His Holiness and the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin and congratulates him on his 60th birthday this year.
2. Whereas His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, our beloved Primate, has presided over the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly, and has provided immeasurable support for the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly, and whereas he continues to implement new programs and carries the torch of enthusiasm for the youth of our Diocese, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly expresses its gratitude and appreciation for his love, patience, knowledge, insight, and guidance and congratulates him on his 60th birthday and 40th anniversary of his ordination..
3. Whereas the Rev. Fr. Paree Metjian, a dedicated servant of the Lord, steward of the church, and clergyman within our Diocese fell asleep in the Lord on January 28, 2011, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends its deepest sympathies to his family, and to the Philadelphia parish on the loss of their former priest.
4. Whereas this year marked the 96th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide of 1915, and whereas there were several commemorations of that day throughout the world this year, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly prays that God continue to give strength and health to the survivors of that horrific day, as well as provide comfort to those families whose relatives perished.
5. Whereas the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan continue and lives are lost everyday, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly prays that God strengthen and comfort the people of Iraq and Afghanistan, all of the troops working in those two countries, including many of our own Armenian American young adults who are serving in the armed services and fighting on both fronts, and the Spiritual Leader of the Armenian Faithful in Iraq, His Eminence Archbishop Avak Asadourian. May the Lord God protect and grant them peace.
6. Whereas in the Darfur Region there is a Genocide currently taking place, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly offers its prayers for peace and that the violence cease immediately.

7. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends its patriotic loyalty to the Honorable Barack Obama in his capacity as President of the United States of America, as well as the Honorable Tom Corbett, the Governor of Pennsylvania.
8. Whereas May 28 marks the 93rd anniversary of Armenia first being proclaimed an independent republic, and whereas on September 22, the Republic of Armenia will celebrate the 20th anniversary of its renewed independence, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends warm wishes to our brothers and sisters in Armenia, prays for peace and stability in its internal politics, and offers heartfelt prayers for the continued success of President Serzh Sargsyan.
9. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends heartfelt prayers to our brothers and sisters in Nagorno-Karabagh , President Bako Sahakyan, and all others in the world defending their basic human rights and right to self-determination.
10. Whereas, since December 18, 2010, countries in the Middle East and North Africa, including Tunisia, Egypt, Libya, Bahrain and Syria among others, have engaged in a revolutionary wave of demonstrations -- commonly referred to as the Arab Spring -- to bring about changes to authoritarian regimes. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly offers its prayers for a peaceful transition to free, democratic structures in the countries affected and comfort to those who have lost ones fighting for freedom.
11. Whereas on April 25-28 and May 22-24, a string of tornados ravaged the southern, midwestern and northeastern United States, killing hundreds of Americans and leaving many homeless. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends its thoughts, prayers and sympathies to those who have lost loved ones and seen their lives change dramatically because of these natural disasters. May the Lord God protect them and grant them peace.
12. Whereas on March 11, 2011, a 9.0 magnitude earthquake off the coast of Japan caused a tsunami that devastated the country's northern coast, causing a nuclear meltdown at the Fukushima I and II nuclear power plants while over 15,000 people died with scores of injured and missing people. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly offers its thoughts and prayers to the people of Japan in their time of suffering and that The Lord Our God grant them peace, comfort and mercy and strength to recover quickly.
13. Whereas in April and May 2011, record flooding along the Mississippi River caused heavy damage in seven states with at least \$2 billion damage while claiming over 380 lives. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly pray for a speedy recovery in the affected areas and for the comfort of families that have lost loved ones and property.
14. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends heartfelt prayers to Jerusalem Patriarch Archbishop Torkom Manoogian and Constantinople Patriarch

Archbishop Mesrob II Mutafrican, as well as our brothers and sisters amongst the Diaspora around the world.

15. Whereas on July 13, 2010, Rev. Fr. Hovhan Khoja-Eynatyan was ordained as a priest in the Armenian Church at St. Mary Armenian Apostolic Church in Washington, DC and later assigned as pastor of St. James Armenian Church in Evanston, Ill. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly wishes its congratulations to Rev. Fr. Hovhan on his ordination and new pastoral assignment.
16. Whereas on May 22, 2011, St. Nersess Armenian Seminary had its graduation exercises, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends its heartfelt congratulations to Mkrtich Ksachikyan on his graduation from Seminary, and remains committed to pray for this dedicated humble man in his ministry.
17. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends sincere appreciation to the ACYOA Seniors of St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Church, Wynnewood, PA, including Very Rev. Fr. Oshagan Gulgulian, pastor, and the 2011 General Assembly and Sports Weekend Committee Co-Chairpersons, Lorie Odabashian, and John Baboujian, as well as all of their committee members and advisors, for hosting the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly and Sports Weekend.
18. Whereas there were 14 clergymen present at this year's Assembly: Rev. Fr. Tateos Abdalian, Rev. Fr. Nersess Jebejian, Rev. Fr. Karekin Kasparian, Rev. Fr. Yeprem Kelegian, Rev. Fr. Vasken Kouzouian, Rev. Fr. Krikor Sabounjian Very Rev. Fr. Daniel Findikyan, Very Rev. Fr. Simeon Odabashian, Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan, Very Rev. Fr. Aren Jebejian, and Very Rev. Fr. Oshagan Gulgulian. Whereas the ACYOA is an integral part of the Armenian Church; Whereas it is imperative that the clergy of our parishes support our youth in every endeavor, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly delegates and the Central Council express their sincere gratitude to the clergy of the Armenian Church.
19. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends its heartfelt appreciation to Ms. Nancy Basmajian, Executive Secretary of the ACYOA, for her tireless efforts in furthering the ACYOA through Christ-centered youth ministry.
20. Whereas the Department of Youth and Education serves as advisor to the ACYOA Central Council, be it resolved that the Central Council and the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends its sincere appreciation to Jennifer Morris, Coordinator of Youth Outreach, Nancy Basmajian ACYOA Executive Secretary, Elise Antreassian, Coordinator of Religious Education, and Gilda Buchakjian-Kupelian, Coordinator of Armenian Studies, for their hard work and dedication towards the youth of the Armenian Church.
21. Whereas new ACYOA Chapters continue to be formed in our Diocese, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly pledges to assist all chapters in their endeavors,

consistent with the teachings of the Armenian Church, and hopes to establish chapters in all parishes within our Diocese.

22. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly offers sincere appreciation to out-going Central Council members Lydia Kurkjian and Ara Janigian, as well as remaining Central Council members, George Macarian , Gevork Vartanian, and Alex Ouzounian, for their dedication to our organization and hard work on its behalf, and also extends congratulations to re-elected Council members Karen Dardarian and Danny Mantis, as well as newly elected Council members, Adrienne Ashbahian and Olivia Derderian.
23. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly thanks the Central Council, all the delegates and participants for attending and making this Assembly a positive and enlightening experience, and for their service in their respective parishes through the year.
24. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends sincere appreciation to Karen Dardarian and Erika Belezarian, for the task of recording the 2010 General Assembly minutes.
25. Be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly extends its deepest gratitude to the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly Chairman, Sam Mrofcza, Vice-Chairman, Harry Kezelian, General Assembly Secretaries, Olivia Derderian and Adrienne Ashbahian, Sergeants-at-Arms, Ronnie Malconian and Shant Paklaian, Parliamentarians Danny Mantis and Fr. Yeprem Kelegian, as well as the Nominating and Auditing committees, for making this ACYOA General Assembly a true success.
26. Whereas Mary Kostikian, a fun, loving, and welcoming ACYOA member from St. James in Watertown, fell asleep in Christ on April 7, 2011 in a tragic car accident, be it resolved that the 2011 ACYOA General Assembly will remember her, her family and the St. James Paris in their prayers.

Respectfully Submitted,

2011 ACYOA General Assembly Resolutions and Courtesies Committee

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