

ACYOA Central Council Meeting
St. Peter Armenian Church, Watervliet, New York
July 28, 2018 9:00 AM

Present for the meeting: Fr. Stepanos Doudoukjian (Host Pastor - present for morning Bible Study and lunch), Nora Knadjian (Chair), Sona Dagley (Vice Chair), Ronnie Malconian (Treasurer), Mallory Maslar (Secretary), Arsen Yelegen (Public Relations), Nick Tashjian (Chapter Relations), Melissa Mardoian (Programming), and Jennifer Morris (DYYAM).

1. Opening Prayer
2. Bible Study - Discussed The Teaching of St. Gregory the Illuminator and the Diocesan Mission Statement.
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Acceptance of the Minutes (May Meeting)
5. Former Central Council Recommendations - Nora shared Danielle's recommendations for this year's council.
6. Updated Calendar Proposal (Melissa/Sona) - We have been working hard on new fresh ideas for programming and are excited to move forward with ways to connect with chapters more, learn more and strengthen our faith.
7. Strategic Planning and Goal Setting - We developed goals for the new year to help with our change in programming.
8. General Assembly and Sports Weekend Updates
 - a. Updates from 2018 - (Mallory) - Mallory has been in communication with Liana. It was a successful weekend and we look forward to her report.
 - i. Status of General Assembly Minutes (Mallory) Sarah and Tanner are working hard to finalize the minutes to get it to us within the deadline.
 - b. GA/SW Guidebook - Danielle worked on starting a guidebook for the next host chapters. Mallory will work to finalize this.
 - c. GA/SW Updates 2019 (Mallory) Der Avedis has meet with their committee and planning on having another meeting next month. They are close to finalizing a hotel.
 - d. Potential Hosts for 2020 (Nora) At this time, no chapters have submitted a bid.
9. Chapter Relations
 - a. Chapter Liaison System (Nick) - Nick is going to set up calls with all of council to check-in to see how our chapter check ins are going.
10. Programming
 - a. ASP 2018 (Jenni) - Great feedback from the trip. We have sent out surveys to the participants and half have completed it so far.
 - b. Jerusalem Pilgrimage (Jenni) - Successful trip. The transition from Fr. Hovsep to Fr. Vasken went well.
 - c. Summertime Service (Melissa/Arsen) - We are two months into the event and we have had several chapters participate. Keep promoting and giving back.
11. Public Relations
 - a. Social Media (Arsen)
 - i. Central Council Bios for Social Media (Arsen) - All bios have been posted.
 - b. Eblasts (Arsen) - We have a open rate of over 30% which is higher than the industry average.
 - c. Email/website updates (Arsen) Arsen has been working hard on building the new website and has a goal to have it finished by the end of the year.
12. Treasurer
 - a. Financial Report (Ronnie)
 - b. Review of Travel Guidelines and Reimbursements (Ronnie) - Made sure everyone understood all of the guidelines.
 - c. Dues Status (Ronnie) - There are only a few chapter dues that are outstanding and their liaisons are going to follow up.
 - d. Parish Assessments (Jenni/Nora) - Jenni is going to get with the Diocese in September to begin the invoice process.
13. New Business
 - a. Ayo (Nora) - We will continue to promote Ayo's fundraising projects.
14. Closing Prayer