

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Beirut, LebanonJuly 9, 195310:00 A.M.PRESENT

Geo. J. Appel, Geo. D. Keough, M. J. McCulloch, R. H. Hartwell, S. Nogeimie, T. S. Geraty, and A. R. Mazat.

OPENING

Prayer by S. Nogeimie.

IRAN MISSION
ARMENIAN COMMITTEE
790

Word has been received from Iran suggesting that a new committee in the Iran Mission be set up to care for the Armenian work, consisting of all Armenian members with the exception of the chairman, Brother Skinner.

VOTED, To refer this request to the Annual Meeting, when proper representation is available.

ELECTRICITY FOR NEW
DIVISION COMPOUND
791

VOTED, To authorize the chairman to work out at his earliest convenience the best arrangements possible with the electric company to install electricity in the new division compound.

TRAVEL FOR WORKERS
792

VOTED, That regular division and institutional workers be allowed to report during the summer months the same amount of travel reported during the months when workers do not live up in the mountains.

TRAVEL BONUS
793

VOTED, That for health reasons Brother Naim be permitted to report the cheapest mode of travel between Aley and Beirut during the hot season.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn.

Geo. J. Appel, Chairman

A. R. Mazat, Secretary pro tem

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Beirut, Lebanon July 16, 1953 10:00 A. M.

PRESENT

Geo. J. Appel, G. D. Keough, Wadie Farag, S. Nogeimie, A. R. Mazat, R. H. Hartwell, T. S. Geraty, M. J. McCulloch, and C. C. Morris.

OPENING

Prayer by Geo. D. Keough.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

VOTED, That the Minutes of meetings held June 15 and 29 and July 9 be approved as read.

PROJECTOR AND VIEWMASTER DISKS

794

VOTED, To authorize the Home Missionary Department to place an order for a projector and a set of Viewmaster disks for promotion use by the department.

SALARY AUDITS

795

Several Middle East College students have been employed by the College, and it was

VOTED, That their salary rates be set as follows until the November audit:

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| Miss Mary Haddad | L.E. 180.00 per month |
| Miss Najwa Nebti | L.E. 180.00 per month |
| Mr. Michael Nebti | L.E. 200.00 per month |

EDITION OF GREEK TRACTS

796

VOTED, To authorize an edition of 7,500 copies each of the twenty-four series of Greek tracts, and that they be printed at Cyprus, the subsidy granted on the twenty-four series in other languages to apply on the Greek series, viz. 50%. The Middle East Press is to carry the stock for any supply beyond the original orders, which will be filled from Cyprus.

GREEK HOME VISITATION TRACTS

797

VOTED, To authorize the printing of an edition of 8,500 copies of the Greek Home Visitation tracts, the Division to subsidize the edition 50%; printing to be done at Cyprus.

TURKISH TWO COLOR TRACTS--EDITION

798

VOTED, To authorize the printing of an edition of 10,000 copies of the Turkish two-color tracts, twenty-four series, the Division to subsidize the printing 50%, the Middle East Press to do the printing and carry the stock.

TURKISH HOME VISITATION TRACTS--EDITION

799

VOTED, To authorize the printing of an edition of 10,000 copies of the Turkish Home Visitation tracts, the Division to subsidize 50% of the cost.

COMMITTEE ON GENERAL CONFERENCE DISPLAY

800

VOTED, That G. J. Appel, A. R. Mazat, and C. C. Morris be a committee to work out plans for the Middle East Division display at the next session of the General Conference.

ASSIGNMENT OF
DIVISION OFFICE
SPACE
801

VOTED, That the Division offices be assigned as follows:

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| Office No. 1 | Cashier |
| No. 2 | Treasurer |
| No. 3 | Two translators |
| Nos. 4 & 5 | Committee room |
| No. 6 | Service & Mimeograph room |
| No. 7 | Publishing Department |
| No. 8 | Home Missionary Department |
| No. 9 | President |
| No. 10 | Secretary to President |
| No. 11 | Book editor |

ARABIC TYPEWRITER
802

VOTED, To authorize the purchase of an Arabic typewriter for Division office use.

ARABIC TRACTS
REPRINTING
803

VOTED, That the Middle East Press be authorized to re-print 10,000 copies of any of the twenty-four tract series in Arabic which falls under 1,000 copies in stock, the 50% subsidy to be granted from the Division up to the time of the November council, at which time budget provision is to be made for any subsidies after November of this year.

MISS SHAHINE
OUZOUNIAN
TRAVEL EXPENSE
804

The Nile Union Mission placed a request with the Division for the services of Miss Shahine Ouzounian as a counselor at the Nile Union Youth Leaders Training Camp.

VOTED, That the travel expense be borne by the Division.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn.

G. J. Appel, Chairman

C. C. Morris, Secretary

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Beirut, LebanonJuly 23, 195310:00 A.M.PRESENT

Geo. J. Appel, S. Noujaim, R. H. Hartwell, M. J. McCulloch, T. S. Geraty, Wadie Farag, G. C. Morris.

OPENING

Prayer by S. Noujaim.

APPROVAL OF MINUTESVOTED, That the Minutes of meeting held July 16 be approved as read."IMPENDING CONFLICT"
EDITION IN ARABIC
AND ARMENIAN

805

VOTED, That an edition of 5,000 copies of Impending Conflict be printed in Arabic and 2,500 copies be printed in Armenian. (Note: A previous action authorized 3,000 copies in Armenian; the edition is now being reduced to 2,500.)FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

806

VOTED, To authorize the installation of portable type fire extinguishers in the Division offices and the mission owned homes, and furtherVOTED, To recommend that the same be provided in other mission owned homes throughout the Division.DIVISION COUNCIL
REPRESENTATION

807

VOTED, That in addition to the regular members of the Division Committee, A. W. Fund, A. E. Klein, M. V. Jacobson, and E. J. Green be invited to attend the Division Council in November.JULFA LAND SALE

808

At the time of the last committee meeting in Tehran when Division representatives were present, an action was passed authorizing the sale of two church lots which had been purchased in Julfa and neither of which proved satisfactory to the church membership. A telegram just received from Brother Skinner indicates that they have offers for both lots, one for 17,000 tomans and the other for 19,000 tomans.

VOTED, That we authorize the brethren of the Iran Mission to accept the offers given and complete the sale of these two lots, transferring the money received from the sale of the lots to the Middle East Division.ADJOURNMENTVOTED, To adjourn.

G. J. Appel, Chairman

C. C. Morris, Secretary

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Beirut, LebanonJuly 23, 19537:00 P.M.PRESENT

Geo. J. Appel, Geo. D. Keough, T. S. Geraty, S. Noujaim, Wadie Farag, R. H. Hartwell, M. J. McCulloch, and C. C. Morris.

OPENING

Prayer by T. S. Geraty, G. D. Keough, Geo. J. Appel.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE
FACILITIES OFFERED
TO NEIGHBORING
DIVISIONS

809

VOTED, That we adopt a recommendation forwarded to the committee from the Middle East College Board reading as follows:

"Voted, To recommend to the Division that the educational facilities of Middle East College be made available to Adventist young people of neighboring divisions who are unable to obtain training in denominational institutions in their respective divisions, upon proper recommendations from the division concerned."

P. H. DOSS
TRANSLATOR
810

Word was passed on to the Division Committee that Brother Hilal Doss did not see his way clear to accept a proposition made to him relative to his teaching load and other responsibilities at Middle East College for the coming school year, and that he had tendered his resignation to the Middle East College Board.

VOTED, That Brother Hilal Doss be invited to connect with the Middle East Division as a translator.

NASIF HASSO REQUEST
811

The chairman made a statement regarding a request that had been made by Brother Nasif Hasso and forwarded to himself and other members of the committee in writing from Brother M. V. Jacobson in Baghdad. Brother Hasso's request, briefly stated, is that Wadie Farag be sent away from Beirut, thus separating him and Brother Hasso's daughter Dola, now residing at Beirut, in the hope that they would lose interest in each other and thus change their minds about getting married. Several months ago their engagement was formally announced on consent and suggestion of Mrs. Nasif Hasso. In the discussion it was pointed out that the objective of effecting a separation, from the standpoint of distance, could be realized were Brother Hasso to take his daughter to his home in Baghdad. Brother Wadie told the committee that all the efforts, over a period of years, to break up his and Dola's love affair have tended to deepen their love for each other rather than lessen it, and that he personally had no suggestions to make or solutions to offer for the item under consideration. Sympathetic study was given to the request from Brother Hasso, but the committee did not see the wisdom or justice of dismissing Brother Farag from his work at Division Headquarters, a General Conference appoint-

ment, and since there was no willingness expressed on the part of Brother Farag to eliminate himself from this center and from his work, it was

VOTED, That our reply to Brother Hasso be that we are unable to accede to his request.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn.

G. J. Appel, Chairman

C. C. Morris, Secretary