

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEETINGBeirut, LebanonMarch 2, 19658:00 P. M.PRESENT

R. A. Wilcox, R. E. Anderson, Behnam Arshat, D. L. Chappell, V. A. Fenn, Anees Haddad, Kenneth Harding, J. Sherwood Jones, Maurice Katrib, George Khoury, Herschel Lamp, L. C. Miller, Manoug Nazirian, H. E. Robinson.

OPENING

Prayer was offered by D. L. Chappell.

RECORDING SECRETARY

VOTED, To appoint V. A. Fenn as recording secretary in the absence of Robert Darnell.

MINUTES APPROVED

VOTED, To approve the minutes of February 19.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE  
CALL FOR SABAH ESBER  
65/48

VOTED, To place a call with the Lebanon Section for Sabah Esber to Middle East College as accountant and cashier as of July 1, 1965.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE  
CALL FOR  
SAMIA ABOU ALI  
65/49

VOTED, To place a call with the Lebanon Section for Samia Abou Ali to Middle East College as teacher in the secretarial department and work in the registrar's office as of July 1, 1965.

DAMASCUS CENTER  
65/50

VOTED, To approve the plans for finishing the Damascus center as presented by Maurice Katrib at a cost of approximately Sy£ 96,000.00. Available funds are approximately Sy£ 45,000.00, leaving a balance of Sy£ 51,000.00 to be provided at a later date.

IRAN ADVENTIST  
ACADEMY  
PUFFER BUILDING  
65/51

VOTED, To approve the building plans for the Iran Adventist Academy puffer building as presented, and at an estimated cost of Rials 450,000.

OPERATING BUDGETS  
IRAN AND IRAQ  
65/52

VOTED, To approve the operating budgets for Iran and Iraq as presented by the Division treasurer.

G. ARTHUR KEOUGH  
PERMANENT RETURN  
65/53

VOTED, To pass on to the General Conference the request of G. Arthur Keough for permanent return to his homeland for personal reasons, as of July 1, 1965, on the recommendation of Middle East College Board and the Middle East Division.



ELDER AND MRS.  
G. ARTHUR KEOUGH  
VOTE OF  
APPRECIATION  
65/54

VOTED, To record an expression of sincere appreciation for the twenty-six years of devoted, faithful service by Elder and Mrs. G. Arthur Keough and for the impact of their dedicated influence on the lives of Middle East Division workers, laymen, and young people.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE  
CALL FOR  
WILLIAM LOVELESS  
65/55

VOTED, To place a call with the General Conference for Dr. William Loveless, pastor of the Sligo Church in the Potomac Conference, to connect with Middle East College as president and dean of studies.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE  
CALL FOR  
GEORGE GHAZAL  
65/56

VOTED, To pass on to George Ghazal the call from Middle East College for his services as business manager and treasurer as of July 1, 1965.

DAY OF FASTING AND  
PRAYER MARCH 20  
65/57

VOTED, To set March 20 as a day of fasting and prayer in behalf of the educational problems throughout the Division.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn. Prayer was offered by Dr. Herschel Lamp.

R. A. Wilcox, Chairman

V. A. Fenn, Recording Secretary



MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEETINGBeirut, LebanonMarch 10, 19653:00 P. M.PRESENT

R. A. Wilcox, R. E. Anderson, D. L. Chappell, R. C. Darnell,  
V. A. Fenn, J. S. Jones, G. A. Keough, George Khoury,  
Manoug Nazirian.

OPENING

Prayer was offered by G. A. Keough.

MINUTES APPROVED

VOTED, To approve the minutes of March 2, 1965.

LEBANON SCHOOLS  
UPGRADED  
65/58

Upon recommendation of the Middle East Division Education Survey Committee appointed by Action # 65/26 to study the secondary educational needs of the Lebanon Section, it was

VOTED, To authorize the Lebanon Section to offer the tenth grade in the Museitbeh, Bourj Hammoud, and Bishmezzine schools with the understanding that the Section will provide teachers qualified according to the provisions of the Board of Regents and that the Section work actively toward meeting these standards where there may be weaknesses.

TELEPHONE POLICY  
COMMITTEE  
65/59

VOTED, To appoint a Telephone Policy Committee as follows to report to the mid-year meeting:

V. A. Fenn, Chairman  
R. E. Anderson  
Robert Darnell  
G. Arthur Keough  
R. A. Wilcox

CYPRUS SECTION  
WAGE SCALE  
65/60

VOTED, To adjust the Cyprus Section 100 per cent wage scale from Cy£ 59 to Cy£ 75, effective March 1.

MOSES ELMADJIAN  
EMPLOYMENT AND  
SALARY  
65/61

VOTED, To appoint Moses Elmadjian secretary-treasurer of the Cyprus Section as of July 1, 1965, and to set his salary at 95 per cent.

MEDICAL BOOK  
RE. ACTION 65/19  
65/62

VOTED, To amplify Action # 65/19 in harmony with studies by the Publishing Department and the Middle East Press to specify a small book (200 pages) in the medium price range on the subject of diet and health.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn at 4:10 P. M. Prayer by George Khoury.

R. A. Wilcox, Chairman

Robert Darnell, Secretary



MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEETINGBeirut, LebanonMarch 11, 19655:00 P. M.PRESENT

R. A. Wilcox, Robert Darnell, V. A. Fenn, G. Arthur Keough,  
George Khoury.

OPENING

Prayer was offered by R. A. Wilcox.

CALL FOR  
SABAH ESPER  
65/63

VOTED. To pass to the Lebanon Section a call for Sabah  
Esber to join the Middle East Division as Section I  
cashier-accountant and to advise the Lebanon Section  
that the call from Middle East College (Action # 65/48)  
has been withdrawn.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn at 5:05 P. M. Prayer by George Khoury.

R. A. Wilcox, Chairman

Robert Darnell, Secretary



MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MEETINGBeirut, LebanonMarch 31, 19659:15 A. M.PRESENT

R. A. Wilcox, P. E. Anderson, C. V. Brauer, D. L. Chappell, Robert Darnell, V. A. Fenn, A. A. Haddad, J. Sherwood Jones, G. Arthur Keough, George Khoury, H. C. Lamp, Manoug Nazirian.

OPENING

Prayer was offered by G. Arthur Keough.

MINUTES APPROVED

VOTED, To approve the minutes of March 10 and 11.

D. C. LUDINGTON  
VACATION  
65/64

VOTED, To approve the plans of Dr. D. C. Ludington to visit the Far East and other points outside of the Division territory during his vacation.

H. C. LAMP  
BOOK ON TOBACCO  
65/65

VOTED, To approve the request of the Middle East Press for the services of Dr. H. C. Lamp to prepare a small, up-to-date book (approximately 125 pages) on tobacco, suggesting that the rough plan of the book be prepared for approval at the 1965 year-end meetings.

A. A. HADDAD  
DRUG BOOK  
65/66

VOTED, To approve the request of the Middle East Press for the services of A. A. Haddad to prepare a small book on drug addiction, suggesting that the rough plan of the book be prepared for approval at the 1966 mid-year meetings.

FAMINE RELIEF  
OFFERING GOALS  
65/67

VOTED, To accept the \$1,000 goal for the 1965 Disaster and Famine Relief Offering as assigned to the Middle East Division by the General Conference committee for the promotion of offerings and to divide it among the Sections as follows:

	<u>US \$</u>	<u>Local Currency</u>
Cyprus Section	15.00	Cy£ 5.357
Egypt Section	200.00	EE£ 83.333
Iran Section	150.00	Rials 11,250.00
Iraq Section	150.00	ID 53.571
Jordan Section	75.00	JD 26.786
Lebanon Section	250.00	LE 725.00
Libya Station	75.00	Li£ 26.786
Syria Section	60.00	Sy£ 180.00
Turkey Section	25.00	Tq£ 225.00

NICOSIA CHURCH  
BANK SIGNATURES  
65/68

VOTED, To delete the name of Mrs. Araxi Keshishian from the signatures authorized to operate the account of the Nicosia Church in the Charter Bank, Nicosia, and to authorize the names of J. Sherwood Jones and Moses Elmadjian.

IRAN SECTION  
VOP DIRECTOR  
65/69

VOTED, To appoint John Minassian Tehran VOP school director in harmony with the recommendation of the Iran Section.



IRAQ SECTION CALL  
FOR NATHAN DAUD  
65/70

VOTED, To pass on to the Egypt Section the call of the Iraq Section for Nathan Daoud, a member of the 1965 graduating class at Middle East College, to work as a ministerial intern.

LEBANON SECTION CALL  
FOR ZAKARIA YOUSSEF  
65/71

VOTED, To pass on to the Egypt Section the call of the Lebanon Section for Zakaria Youssef, a member of the 1965 graduating class at Middle East College, to work as a teacher.

JORDAN SECTION CALL  
FOR ZAKARIA YOUSSEF  
65/72

VOTED, To pass on to the Egypt Section the call of the Jordan Section for Zakaria Youssef to work as a ministerial intern.

BENGHAZI HOSPITAL  
REIMBURSEMENT FOR  
SERVICE OF NADIA  
NASHED SIDRAK  
65/73

VOTED, To recommend to the Benghazi Adventist Hospital that they reimburse the Karachi Hospital to the equivalent of 3,000 rupees as a portion of the investment in the training of Miss Nadia Nashed Sidrak, in lieu of the year of service usually required at Karachi, inasmuch as she has been called to service at Benghazi.

DIRAN GABRIEL  
WITHDRAWAL OF  
EDUCATIONAL  
ASSISTANCE  
65/74

VOTED, To withdraw the educational assistance offered Diran Gabriel under Action 64/183 in harmony with his request, inasmuch as he is discontinuing his medical course, and further, to accept his offer to pay back the sum already granted.

MRS. GLADYS SCHICK  
INDEMNITY  
65/75

VOTED, To grant Mrs. Gladys Schick indemnity for her service with the organization as a nurse inasmuch as she disconnected in order to marry and the denomination has no plan to re-employ her, it being understood that this settles in full all her claims against the denomination.

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY  
TRANSLATION  
COMMITTEE  
65/76

VOTED, To appoint the following committee to recommend additional translation of Spirit of Prophecy manuscripts if and as needed.

Robert Darnell  
R. E. Anderson  
D. L. Chappell  
R. A. Wilcox

ISHAQ FARAJALLA  
DESIRE OF AGES  
PAYMENT  
65/77

VOTED, To pay Ishaq Farajalla ten Egyptian pounds (EEg 10.000) for a revision study of Desire of Ages.

RECESS

The committee recessed at 12:00 noon and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. with prayer by D. L. Chappell.



JERUSALEM CENTER  
BUILDING PLANS  
APPROVED  
65/78

VOTED, To approve the building plans for the Jerusalem Center as recommended by the Jordan Section (Architect's sketches #2 and #7) with the suggestion that a half floor be included under the auditorium to provide room for classrooms, recreational space, and other cultural activity. It is understood that construction will not begin until the property is registered in the denominational name, and proper financial arrangements are complete.

ROGER COON  
REQUESTED APPOINTMENT  
AND ASSISTANCE  
65/79

VOTED, To approve the plan of taking Elder Roger Coon on salary as of August 8, 1965, subject to his appointment by the General Conference, and to grant educational assistance according to the General Conference Working Policy, p. 202, through the summer of 1966 as needed.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn at 4:00 p. m. Prayer by George Khoury.

R. A. Wilcox, Chairman

Robert Darnell, Secretary