

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE

August 7, 1968 2:10 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

F. C. Webster, R. E. Anderson, Salim Japas, George Khoury, H. C. Lamp, R. C. Mills, Chafic Srour, Ignatius Yacoub, George Yared.

Prayer was offered by George Khoury.

68/179 SPECIAL APPROPRIATION TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION

VOTED, To approve reallocation of Missions Extension funds of approximately LL 9,000.00 previously assigned to construction of an addition to the Bishmezzine, Lebanon school to be used now for the purchase of a VW bus for transportation of students to and from the Bishmezzine school.

RCM

68/180 EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

VOTED, To authorize purchase for the Division office of a photocopy machine capable of copying colors and large enough for legal documents. The approximate cost is LL 1,000.00.

RCM

68/181 VACATIONS OUTSIDE DIVISION TERRITORY

VOTED, To grant permission for 1968 vacations to be taken outside the Division territory as follows:

Lebanon Section teacher, Miss Faiza Aboujawda - Europe

Benghazi Hospital Workers::

Nadie Wadie Kolta - Europe
 Nawal Kolta - Europe
 Fariat Kolta - Europe
 Antar Yacoub - Europe
 Habib Banna - Europe

FCW

68/182 BOURJ-HAMMOUD 5-DAY PLAN ASSISTANCE

VOTED, In response to the request of the Lebanon Section Committee, to authorize H. C. Lamp, M.D., to assist with a 5-day Plan to Stop Smoking in the Bourj-Hammoud Church, October 27-31, 1968.

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68/183 CALL FOR DENTAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN - BENGHAZI HOSPITAL

The Board of the Benghazi Hospital has placed a call for a Dental Laboratory Technician. It is felt that such an addition to the dental department might increase the income by 50% and render service to other dentists in the area by doing first-class dental laboratory work in addition to serving the hospital department. The Division does not have budgetary provision for such an additional worker for Benghazi; however, the Hospital Board feels he will pay his way and are willing to place the call with the understanding the hospital will make provision for his full payment.

VOTED, That a call be placed with the General Conference for a dental laboratory technician, suggesting the name of William Bradshaw of Portland, Oregon, with the understanding that the Benghazi Hospital is to make full provision for his appointee and furlough expense, salary and all subsidies. FCW

68/184 PERMANENT RETURN - EVANGELINE VOTH

Miss Evangeline Voth has served two different periods in the Middle East Division between 1954 and 1968. At the present time she is requesting Permanent Return to the United States. It was

VOTED, Upon her request and with the concurrence of the Benghazi Hospital Board, to recommend that Permanent Return be granted for Miss Evangeline Voth on October 15, 1968, and

Further, That appreciation be recorded and expressed to Miss Voth for her faithful service for so many years in Baghdad and Benghazi. FCW

68/185 PERMANENT RETURN - RUTH TOBIASSON

Miss Ruth Tobiasson has served two different periods in the Middle East Division between 1954 and 1968. At the present time she is requesting Permanent Return to the United States. It was

VOTED, Upon her request and with the concurrence of the Genghazi Hospital Board, to recommend that Permanent Return be granted for Miss Tobiasson on October 15, 1968, and

Further, That appreciation be recorded and expressed to Miss Tobiasson for her faithful service for so many years in Baghdad and in Benghazi. FCW

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68/186 SAMI SROUR - MEDICAL STUDENT LOAN

Action 67/182 authorized a loan of US\$ 1,700.00 per year as per MED 64/135 for Sami Srour, a student at Loma Linda University. Since the original policy was established in 1964 when the tuition for a year of medical school at Loma Linda was \$1,700.00, the tuition has risen to \$2,200.00. Furthermore, the medical students cannot now work extensively during the summers between sessions as heretofore, hence there is not the possibility of earning an appreciable part of the school expenses. If there is to be a change in the policy, it should be made by a plenary session of the Division Committee, but such a session will not convene prior to the beginning of the forthcoming school year at Loma Linda. Sami Srour has written an urgent request that an additional \$500.00 per year be loaned him, either as an addition to the previous policy or separately as a repayable loan. Realizing the difficulty for a worker on a denominational mission salary to repay such a sum, but recognizing its feasibility in private practice, and desiring Sami, when he has completed his medical course to join the regular working force in the Division, most likely in Benghazi, it was

VOTED, To authorize an additional loan of \$500.00 per year to Sami Srour for his last three years of Medical School at Loma Linda, making a total loan during his schooling of \$8,300.00 (\$1,700.00 the first year and \$2,200.00 for each of three years). RCM

68/187 IRMA KINTANAR-SITTINGDOWN - PERMANENT RETURN

Irma Kintanar, a Filipina nurse in Benghazi has married an American employed by an oil company in Libya. It was

VOTED, That the financial settlement for the Permanent Return of Mrs. Irma Kintanar-Sittingdown, be the cost of one-way air fare from Benghazi to the Philippines. RCM

Adjourned with prayer by H. C. Lamp and Ignatius Yacoub.

F. C. Webster, Chairman
R. C. Mills, Secretary pro-tempore