## MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Beirut, Lebanon

February 4, 1953

2:00 P.M.

PRESENT

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

**OPENING** 

Prayer by Wadie Farag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

VOTED, That the Minutes of January 25 be approved as read.

NILE UNION
CALL FOR HILAL DOSS
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VOTED, To pass on to the Middle East College Board the call from the Nile Union for the services of Pastor Hilal Doss.

A. E. ASHOD RENT SUBSIDY 689 Brother Ashod has been working for the Division as a translator while on sustentation, and received salary up to eighty per cent of full salary. He has been having a financial problem while living here in Beirut, and the Committee gave consideration to granting him rent subsidy as a special arrangement.

VOTED, To apply the rent subsidy policy to Brother Ashod as of January 1, 1952, at which time he went on Sustentation rate of pay.

WILLIAM IBRAHIM FAMILY'S SUSTENTATION 690 The Nile Union has informed us of the death of William Ibrahim, and placed a request for sustentation allowance to be given to his family, including child allowance for five minor children.

VOTED, That a sustentation rate of fieg 8.400 be paid the family, plus child allowance for the five minor children.

T. S. GERATY STUDENT CAMPAIGNS 691 VOTED, To authorize Professor T. S. Geraty to visit various fields of the Middle East Division during the summer of 1953, compaigning for students for Middle East College.

WADIE FARAG - MEMBER LITERATURE COMMITTEE 692

VOTED, To appoint Brother Wadie Farag to serve as a member of the Literature Committee.

T. S. GERATY
MEMBER-RADIO BOARD
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VOTED, To appoint T. S. Geraty as a member of the Radio Board.

MINISTERIAL INSTITUTE DATE AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE Elder Vandeman has written suggesting July 31 to August 15 as a convenient time for him to lead out in our Ministerial Institute.

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VOTED, To set the date July 31 to August 15 as a time for the Ministerial Institute, and further

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five, of which he shall be a member and chairman, to serve as a program committee. Appointed: G. J. Appel, R. H. Hartwell, Neal C. Wilson, R. C. Skinner, T. S. Geraty.

MARRIAGE AND BURIAL SERVICE PAMPHLETS 695 Consideration was given to translating from the MANUAL FOR MINISTERS the order of services for marriage and burial, and it was

VOTED, That this material be translated, mimeographed, and distributed to our national workers.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE REQUEST FOR BROTHER ZYTKOSKEE VOTED, To pass on to the Nile Union the request from Middle East College for the services of Brother Gordon Zytkoskee to conduct the Spring Week of Prayer at the College, March 13-21, 1953.

WADIE FARAG - RENT

Brother Wadie Farag is occupying a room at the Museitbeh Church property, and it was

VOTED, That he be charged ten per cent of salary as rent, same to be credited to the Lebanon-Syria Mission.

D. V. KUBROCK TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT 698 In response to an invitation from the East Mediterranean Union, it was

VOTED, That Brother D. V. Kubrock be assigned on a loan basis to the East Mediterranean Union to conduct an effort in the Arabic Church, Beirut, while he is detained here due to passport formalities.

HEALTH BOOK FOR COLPORTEURS 699 The Literature Committee rendered a report recommending the publication of a health book in which one chapter would be devoted to the subject of Temperance; also recommending an edition of 5,000 copies.

VOTED, To approve of the publication of the health book in an edition of 5,000 copies, as recommended; and further,

VOTED, That Wadie Farag, M. J. McCulloch, and Y. E. Berbawy constitute a committee to bring in a recommendation on the material to be translated and used in the health book.

A. R. MAZAT BAGHDAD 700 VOTED, To authorize Brother A. R. Mazat to spend the month of March in Baghdad and lead out in the Dar El Salaam Hospital solicitation campaign.

DEPARTMENTAL SUPPLIES WHO PAYS FOR 701 VOTED, That the departmental supplies furnished free by the Division be stocked by the Division departmental secretaries, all the departmental supplies to be ordered through the local unions and/or Book and Periodical Houses.

COMMITTEE ON PRESS ORDERS 702

EAST MED. UNION MOSUL, BASRAH, KIRKUK - BUILDING PLANS

703

EAST MED. UNION ARMENIAN CHURCH BEIRUT 704

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, That M. J. McCulloch, Arthur Fund, Wadie Farag, and A. R. Mazat be a committee to study the question of placing orders for literature and supplies, and report back.

Plans were submitted by the East Mediterranean Union for building projects at Mosul, Basrah, and Kirkuk, together with the financial arrangements for the same.

VOTED, To approve of the plans and financial arrangements as submitted, with the understanding that work will proceed only as funds are in hand with which to finance these projects.

The East Mediterranean Union submitted plans for the remodeling of the Armenian Church in Beirut, thus providing a larger auditorium and more school room space.

<u>VOTED</u>, To approve the plans and financial arrangements, and that work be undertaken only as funds are available.

VOTED, To adjourn.

Geo. J. Appel, Chairman

C. C. Morris, Secretary

## MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Beirut, Lebanon

February 26, 1952

3:00 P. M.

PRESENT

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

OPENING

Prayer by G. D. Keough.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

VOTED, That Minutes of meeting held February 4 be approved as read.

IRAN COMMITTEE ON FARSEE WORK 705 VOTED, That Brethren Skinner, Sangerloo, and Oster constitute a committee to set up a budget and administer the Farsee work in Iran.

"ANSWERS TO
OBJECTIONS" AND
"BIBLE INSTRUCTOR"
SUBSIDY
706

VOTED, That the employing organizations within the Middle East Division, in consultation with controlling committees, be authorized to subsidize the two books, ANSWERS TO OBJECTIONS and THE BIBLE INSTRUCTOR, fifty per cent to workers.

EAST MEDITERRANEAN UNION - T.S. GERATY 707

VOTED, To authorize Professor T. S. Geraty to attend week-end Youth Rallies at Amman and Baghdad, as requested by the East Mediterranean Union.

"WORLD REVIEW"
DISCONTINUED
708

Word has been received from the General Conference that the WORLD REVIEW is to be discontinued as of December, 1953, suggesting that some other arrangements be worked out in the various world divisions for providing our workers and laity with the materials now being printed in the WORLD REVIEW.

VOTED, That in the Middle East Division we encourage those of our workers and members now receiving the world edition of the REVIEW to subscribe for the regular issue of the REVIEW AND HERALD, since the world edition is to be discontinued at the close of the current year.

A. E. ASHOD MEDICAL 709 VOTED, That the regular medical policy apply in granting aid to Brother Ashod on his medical bill of LE 117.65.

CHRISTIAN HOME CALENDARS 710 Due to an error in ordering, the 1952 Christian Home Calendars were received in the fall too late for sale, thus resulting in an expense to the fields which seems unwarranted. The Review and Herald has given a liberal discount on the bill.

VOTED, That the remainder of the charge for Christian Home Calendars distributed to the East Mediterranean Union, the Nile Union, and the Iran Mission be met from the Division Emergency Fund.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE CALL FOR TREASURER & HEAD OF THE DEPT. OF BUS. ADMINISTRATION 711

VOTED, To pass on to the General Conference the call from the Middle East College for a treasurer and head for the Department of Business Administration, with M. A. degree, and qualified to teach in the upper division of business administration.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE CALL FOR S. NOGEIMIE 712 VOTED, To pass on to the East Mediterranean Union the call from Middle East College for the services of S. Nogeimie as an assistant teacher in Arabic and Mathematics.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn.

Geo. J. Appel, Chairman C. C. Morris, Secretary