

May 2, 1980

Mr. Lloyd C. Root
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Re: First URANTIA Society of Houston

Dear Lloyd:

Marian Rowley has put together a chronological list of events to clarify who we regard as the legally elected officers of the First URANTIA Society of Houston. I hope you find it useful.

The first entry of February 22 shows the properly elected officers in 1979. The last entry of January 25 shows the properly elected officers as successors to the first mentioned group. The Houston society Constitution makes no provision for getting rid of officers other than at the annual meeting. A special meeting can be requested by Society members, but this request is made of the governing committee, which is composed of the officers. Their Constitution does not mandate that such a request has to be granted. In any event, the contending group never made such a request.

Our position has been that since we never received notice that the officers elected February 22 had either resigned or vacated their office, they were indeed duly constituted officers of the Society until their annual meeting which was held January 25, 1980.

Please let me know if further information will be helpful.

Sincerely,

John Hales, President
URANTIA Brotherhood

JH/sk
Encl.

cc: URANTIA Foundation

First URANTIA Society of Houston
Legally Elected Officers VS. Contending Group Officers - Listing of Events

2/22/79 - 9th Annual Meeting held - notified 2/24/79

President James Jarnagin
Vice Pres. Glenn Bell, Jr.
Secretary Lea House
Treasurer Adrienne Jarnagin

8/11/79 - We received a letter dated August 9, 1979 giving us the names of Kermit Laurent and Cathy Fusco as new delegates to the Triennial Delegate Assembly. Apparently a meeting was held at Brazell's apartment 8/9 electing them and also electing new officers. The letter was signed as follows:

First URANTIA SOCIETY OF HOUSTON

Secretary Jo Brown

President Frank E. Kline, Jr.

Treasurer Sue V. Brazell

Vice-President Patricia M. Nolan

Affirmed

FIRST URANTIA SOCIETY OF HOUSTON
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MAJORITY MEMBERSHIP

Secretary Cathy Fusco

Chairperson Kermit Laurent

Treasurer John Charles

Vice-Chairperson Marguerite Lapetina

They also sent copy of the voting results 7/20 on signing Licensing Agreement and also a list of 29 members - all documents with signatures as above.

They also wrote Meredith Sprunger 8/9 sending the resolution against Licensing Agreement, signed by the above officers.

10/10/79 Brazell sent letter to all members of the society, stating that the above officers had been elected temporarily 8/8. With this is a notice of Regular Annual Meeting for 11/9/79 with ballot showing Laurent as President, Cathy Fusco, Vice-President, Sue Brazell, Secretary, John Charles, Secretary. absentee ballots to be returned to Sue Brazell, Secretary. (She had not been elected yet.)

11/30/79 Letter from Laurent, President to all society members, Fellow Urantians, and Friends, stating there was only one society, they had held their regular annual meeting 11/9, naming the officers, and stating that no one else had the right to speak for the society.

11/16/79 Letter from Sue Brazell, Secretary to Rowley, Secretary, U.B. (wrong, Harries is Secretary), giving the names of the officers elected at the meeting of 11/9 - Pres. Laurent; VP Fusco; Sec. Sue Brazell, Treasurer, John Charles. Rowley responded 1/8 indicating the officers elected 2/22/79 were still in office.

1/25/80 Reg. Ann. Meeting held by original loyal group - elected following officers: Pres. William G. Gardner; VP Harry Weatherford; Secretary, Adrienne Kelley; Treasurer, Kathleen Roberson.