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MINUTES OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF  
THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF URANTIA BROTHERHOOD  
January 25, 1959

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The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Russell W. Bucklin, Robert Burton, Ruth F. Burton, E. L. Christensen, Edith E. Cook, Philip A. Copenhaver, Jr., Everett M. Farwell, William M. Hales, Lee Miller Jones, Anna B. Kellogg, Alvin L. Kulieke, Edmond F. J. Kulieke, Warren H. Kulieke, Alfred Leverenz, James C. Mills, Anna Rawson, Marian T. Rowley, Leone M. Sadler, William S. Sadler, Sylvia B. Sunderland, Helen C. Thurman.

The following members were absent:

Cathryn Adler, David Adler, Clyde Bedell, Floyd S. Bordsen, Clarence N. Bowman, Ruth R. Carothers, Albert H. Dyon, Luther J. Evans, Mary Lou Hales, William F. Harrah, Walter H. Parkin, Ernest C. Pritchard, William S. Sadler, Jr., Anna K. Whitchurch, Thomas E. Wideroe.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Warren H. Kulieke, with Anna Rawson acting as Secretary.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 26, 1958, and of the special meeting of October 26, 1958 were read and approved.

The Secretary gave the census reports from the four Urantia Societies:

First Urantia Society, Chicago 148  
Urantia Society of Glenview 17  
The West Coast Urantia Society 18  
First Urantia Society of Oklahoma 28  
211 - an increase of 10 over 1957  
Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried the meeting recessed for an informal discussion of business and problems.

The various Committees' annual reports were then read, and may be summarized as follows:

**JUDICIAL:** This Committee had one formal meeting during the year, and continues in its project of composing a manual for the officers and departmental committees.

**CHARTER:** Since no new Societies were formed in 1958, this Committee concerned itself with working on the improvement of the basic minimum ritual for initiation of members into Societies, and the shortening and simplifying of the pattern society constitution.

**FRATERNAL RELATIONS:** Three regular meetings were held during the year, and the Committee continued in their intensive study of various church creeds, rituals, etc.

**DOMESTIC EXTENSION:** Several meetings were held by this Committee relative to the composition of material for the jackets for the Urantia Book and the Index, and also suggestions concerning the promotion of the Urantia Book.

**FOREIGN EXTENSION:** This Committee held one formal meeting. They also met several times with the DOMESTIC EXTENSION COMMITTEE to consider subjects of mutual interest.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** Several meetings were held by this Committee. Registrations to the School in 1958 included students from outside metropolitan Chicago. Twelve Certificates of Leadership were granted by the School. Courses in the "Structure of the Urantia Book," "The Teachings of Jesus," and "Educational Psychology" were offered.

**PUBLICATIONS:** This Committee held one formal meeting, and continued to function regularly in duplicating and mailing the Quarterly News Letter and in mimeographing material for the Committee on Education.

**FINANCE:** One formal meeting was held for the purpose of drafting the budget for 1959. A decision was made to have the books audited annually.

**MISCELLANEOUS-** This Committee continued successfully in its efforts to live up to its name in its various duties.

The Joint Custodians reported that an addition of 500 Urantia Books had been received on November 15th, making a total of 841 on hand. 388 had been released during the year, which left a balance of 453 for 1958. Up to date, 3,316 books have been distributed.

The President's report was very inspiring in its survey of the year's accomplishments (the various places throughout the world where Books have found their way - the new members-at-large, the successful continuance of the School). Mr. Kulieke stressed his satisfaction that, as yet, no adverse publicity has appeared regarding the Urantia Book. He expressed the opinion that this happy situation was probably due to two factors: the influence of our superhuman friends, and the faithful, sincere efforts of us humans in fulfilling our duties and privileges. The President closed his remarks with a fervent appeal that we might all show forth the fruits of the spirit in such a way as to reveal to our fellowmen that we had indeed found God.

The Vice President and the Secretary gave brief reports of the fulfillment of their duties throughout the year.

The Treasurer's annual report showed the usual happy status - Books are continuing to sell, and the

School and other functioning bodies are operating well in the black.

The Secretary-General gave a very interesting report telling of the spread of societies and study groups from California to Connecticut, and even one or two in foreign lands. Miss Rowley spoke of the seminars that were successfully conducted in California and Oklahoma by William S. Sadler, Jr., and she also reported on her enjoyable and rewarding visit to the Oklahoma Society.

The meeting was then reconvened for business.

The Nominating Committee's report, read by its Chairman, James C. Mills, was accepted and unanimously passed by the written ballots of the 21 Council Members present. The results are as follows:

Judicial Committee: Edith E. Cook - 6 years

Charter: Mary Lou Hales - 6 years

Fraternal Relations: Louise Pritchard - 6 years

Domestic Extension: Thomas Kendall - 6 years

Foreign Extension: Arthur M. Burch - 6 years Ruth E. Renn - 4 years

Education: Albert H. Dyon - 6 years

Publication: Lucile Kulieke - 6 years

Finance: Harry Rowley - 6 years

Miscellaneous: Marjorie Bates - 6 years

The next order of business was that of presenting to our respected leader, Dr. William S. Sadler, the first VAN AWARD, which reads as follows: The spiritual insight and moral steadfastness which enabled Van to maintain such an unshakable attitude of loyalty to the universe government was the product of clear thinking, wise reasoning, logical judgment, sincere motivation, unselfish purpose, intelligent loyalty, experiential memory, disciplined character, and the unquestioning dedication of his personality to the doing of the will of the Father in Paradise.

For the exhibition of these qualities of character The General Council of the Urantia Brotherhood presents to Dr. William S. Sadler, THE VAN AWARD, in honor of his many years of devoted and distinguished service in behalf of the Urantia movement. Given at Chicago, Illinois, January 25, 1959 (Signed) Anna Rawson, Secretary Warren H. Kulieke, President (Signed)

Dr. Sadler, in accepting this Award, responded with humble gratitude for what he considered a deep honor.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 P. M., after a motion to that effect had been made, seconded, and carried.

(Signed) Anna Rawson, Secretary

APPROVED: (Signed) Warren H. Kulieke, President