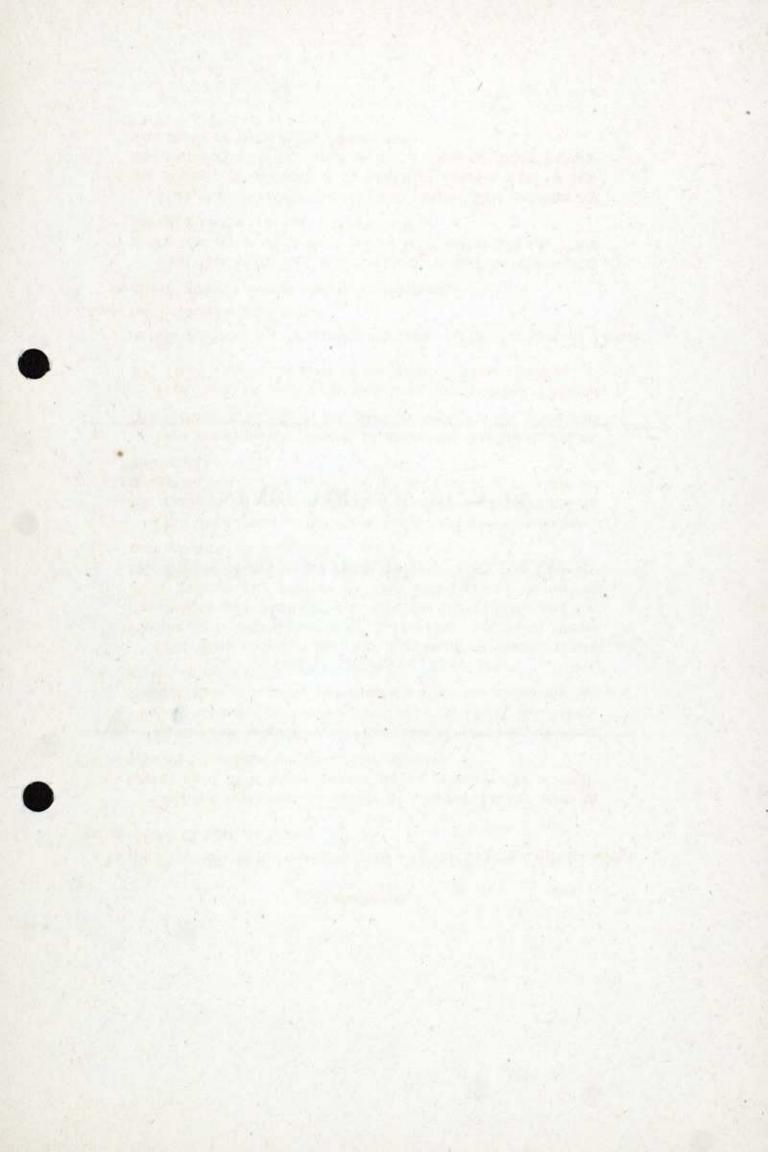
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AMENDED CONSTITUTION

OF

CENTRAL TURKEY COLLEGE

AINTAB, TURKEY-IN-ASIA



Statement.

In the Preamble to the constitution of Central Turkey College, adopted in 1874, it was set forth

That the evangelical churches of Central Turkey were in urgent need of a well-educated native ministry and of well-educated teachers for their high schools;

That those churches, at the annual meeting of their "Cilicia Evangelical Union," at Ourfa, in 1870, had taken, through their delegates, the initiatory steps for improving the means of education;

That those churches had also expressed an earnest desire for the early establishment of a first-class institution where their young men could be educated for the ministry and for other callings and professions, and had pledged themselves to contribute liberally, acording to their ability, for the support of such an institution;

That the mission of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions in Central Turkey had promised to coöperate with those churches in the founding of such an institution;

That the American Board, at its annual meeting in Salem, Massachusetts, in 1871, had likewise endorsed the plan; and

That such an institution had been incorporated (March 27, 1874) under the laws of the State of Massachusetts.

The title adopted by the corporation was "The Trustees of Donations for Education in Turkey."

In the Preamble it was stated, furthermore,

That this college, it was believed, would be a powerful instrument for good in the work of reformation already going forward in the Turkish Empire; and

That Aintab was considered the most eligible location for the college, on account of its healthful climate, and its central situation with reference to the Turkish-speaking population south of the Taurus Mountains. A further weighty reason for this choice was the large and influential community of evangelical Christians at Aintab, which afforded a congenial and fostering home for such an institution.

Soon after, in the year 1876, the Central Turkey College was established successfully at Aintab, in accordance with the provisions of the constitution, the citizens of Aintab contributing about sixteen hundred Turkish pounds (160,000 piasters) toward the buildings and endowment of the institution, and since that time, there have been raised up a strong native faculty, a considerable student body, a company of influential alumni, and an extensive local constituency. Work has been carried on in preparatory, collegiate and medical departments, instruction, however, having been suspended and only hospital work continued in the last named department since 1888. The policy of coöperative native and foreign management, adopted by the college, has justified itself and has proved of great advantage to the institution, while the definite prospect of ultimate entire native control, offered by the original constitution, has been a great encouragement to all native friends of the institution and especially to the churches of the Cilicia Union.

In 1901, the Prudential Committee of the American Board, acting in accordance with the provisions of the constitution of the college, and with the advice of the Central Turkey Mission, declared formally that the college had "become established upon a firm basis in accordance with the original intent as defined by Article I of its constitution," and that, therefore, under certain conditions, the gradual transfer of the college to native control, as contemplated by the constitution, might begin to go into operation. In view of this action, and in accordance with the provisions of the constitution, the membership of the Board of Trustees in America having since become reduced to six, the membership of the Board of Managers in Turkey has been increased to ten, six of the ten being natives of that country.

In view of the fact, however, that, from a legal point of view, the original constitution of the college, in force until this present (1909), has not proved to be sufficiently exact in its provisions for the transfer of the college to native control, or adequate in its guarantee for the safety of the contributed funds, the Board of Trustees, with the concurrence of the Board of Managers in Turkey and the Cilicia Evangelical Union, has resolved to amend the constitution of the college, in the spirit of the original and adhering to its general policy and plan, but avoiding these difficulties.

Constitution.

ARTICLE I. OBJECT.

The primary object of the Central Turkey College shall be the thorough education of pastors, preachers and teachers for the evangelical churches of Central Turkey.

A secondary but important object shall be the general advance of true science and civilization among all the nationalities of that portion of the Turkish Empire, including the support of medical work.

Hence the college shall always be a Christian college, conducted and governed according to the principles of evangelical Christianity.

ARTICLE II. ORGANIZATION.

- 1. The control of the college shall be vested in a Board of Trustees resident in America, in a Board of Managers resident in Turkey, and in the President and Faculty of the college, in accordance with the provisions of the constitution which follow.
- 2. Each of the bodies above mentioned shall have its own internal organization, consisting in the case of the first two of president, secretary, treasurer and auditor, to be chosen by each body at its annual meeting.

ARTICLE III. BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

- 1. The Board of Trustees shall consist of nine (9) members.
- 2. The members of the Board of Trustees shall be elected by the Prudential Committee of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, on nomination of the Board of Trustees.
- 3. As soon as the present Board of Trustees and the Prudential Committee of the American Board, acting in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article, shall have completed the number of the Trustees to nine (9), the terms of office of these nine Trustees shall be so arranged as to expire two (2) each year for four years, and the remaining term the fifth year, in the order of their original appointment;

and on the expiration of the terms of office of these Trustees, their successors shall be chosen, in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article, for terms of five (5) years each, further vacancies, likewise, as they occur, to be filled in the same manner; provided that Trustees whose term of office expires are to be eligible for reelection, and that, in case of vacancies occurring irregularly, new Trustees shall be chosen only to complete the unexpired term.

- 4. The Board of Trustees shall elect the President, the professors and all other permanent officers of the college, on nomination of the Board of Managers; and with the consent or upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, they may accept the resignation of these officers, or may remove them.
- 5. The Board of Trustees shall hold, and shall direct and control the investment and expenditure of, any and all funds of the college, contributed in the United States of America, and any and all other college funds that may be entrusted to their care, and any and all income accruing from the same; it being specified, moreover, that none of these funds may be transferred at any time from the United States of America to any other country for investment, without the consenting vote of the Prudential Committee of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.
- 6. In all expenditures of the college funds, the Board of Trustees shall be advised by recommendations and estimates presented by the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF MANAGERS.

- 1. The Board of Managers shall consist of ten (10) members resident in Turkey, six (6) native and four (4) foreign as at present constituted, none of these members, however, to be persons in the employ of the institution.
- The members of the Board of Managers shall be elected by the Cilicia Evangelical Union at its Annual Meeting.
- 3. These Managers shall be chosen for terms of four (4) years each, to succeed the present members of the Board of Managers, as their terms of office shall expire, viz., in 1909, one native member and one foreign; in 1910, one native member and one foreign; in 1911, one native member and one foreign; in 1912, three native members and

one foreign, and so on in this order, vacancies occurring irregularly being filled by the Cilicia Evangelical Union at its next annual meeting, for the unexpired term of service.

- 4. The President of the college shall be ex-officio president of the Board of Managers, but without right to vote.
- The Board of Managers shall propose to the Board of Trustees nominations for President, professors and other permanent officers of the college.
- 6. The Board of Managers shall have the entire local management of the institution, including control over and responsibility for the grounds and buildings, the course of instruction, the appointment of teachers and other employes whose engagement is from year to year, the rates of tuition and fees, all necessary rules and regulations, and, in general, all matters relating to the local interests of the college, it being understood always that the college is to be a Christian institution, in which the principles and practice of the Christian religion are to be taught and illustrated in the lives and characters of its teachers, and that no course of instruction shall be allowed which is not in accordance with the principles of evangelical Christianity.
- 7. The Board of Managers shall hold, and shall direct and control, all funds and properties belonging to the college, in Turkey or elsewhere, whose control is not specifically vested in the Board of Trustees, and the income from the same, provided that the real estate of the college in Turkey may be held in trust for the Board of Managers by such person or persons as the Board of Managers may see fit to designate for this purpose, until such time as the Board of Managers may be able to secure recognition for itself as a corporation under the laws of the Turkish Empire, after which time the Board of Managers shall hold all the properties of the college in Turkey in its corporate name.
- 8. The Board of Managers shall make an annual report in writing to the Cilicia Evangelical Union, at its Annual Meeting, setting forth the educational, financial and general condition of the college for the preceding year.
- The Board of Managers shall report also annually to the Board of Trustees through the President, following in this report the directions of the By-Laws upon the subject.

ARTICLE V. FACULTY.

- 1. The general Faculty shall consist of the President, with the professors and other permanent officers of the college in its several departments, appointed by the Board of Trustees.
- The general Faculty shall be organized into departmental faculties, according to the departments of the college with which its different members are connected.
- Each departmental faculty, in addition to duties of instruction, shall be vested with authority over all the internal affairs of its department, being responsible for the same through the President to the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VI. INTERRELATION.

- 1. The Board of Trustees shall constitute the ultimate authority in all college affairs, provided, however, that in all local matters its action shall be solely through the Board of Managers, and that all cases referred to the Board of Trustees shall be presented through the Board of Managers and with its sanction.
- 2. The Board of Managers may refer to the Board of Trustees for final decision any question upon which its members are equally divided, and a minority of three in the Board of Managers shall have the right of appeal to the Board of Trustees, it being understood, also, that the Board of Trustees is free to offer to the Board of Managers any suggestions or counsel as occasion may require.
- 3. The Faculty is at liberty to seek advice and counsel from the Board of Managers, and to make recommendations to the Board of Managers with reference to the course of study and such other matters as it may see fit, the Board of Managers, likewise, being free to advise the Faculty.

ARTICLE VII. TRANSFER OF CONTROL.

1. The Board of Trustees and the Board of Managers shall continue to exercise the rights and duties indicated in Articles three (III), four (IV) and six (VI) of this amended constitution, until the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in 1925, after which time the provisions of Article III, paragraphs 4 and 6, Article IV, paragraphs 5 and 9, and Article VI, paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be null and void,

and all control over the administration of the college shall pass into the hands of the Board of Managers alone, to be constituted still as is specified in Article IV, paragraphs 1, 2 and 3.

- 2. After the annual meeting of the Trustees in 1925, the Board of Trustees shall elect only one (1) new member in each of the years when two vacancies in its membership occur, thus reducing its membership to five (5), and the Board of Trustees as thus constituted, being perpetuated in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article III, paragraph 3, of this amended constitution, shall continue to be responsible for the investment and safe-guarding of the funds of the college in America, for so long a time as the Prudential Committee of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions shall see fit, the entire income of said funds, however, to be transmitted to the treasurer appointed by the Board of Managers in Turkey, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Managers.
- 3. It is provided, however, that on the united request of the Board of Managers, the Cilicia Evangelical Union and the Central Turkey Mission to the Board of Trustees, this latter body may continue in force all the provisions of Articles three (III), four (IV) and six (VI) of this amended constitution, until the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in 1935, or until the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in 1945, the changes indicated in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this seventh (VIIth) Article, however, thereafter to go into effect.
- 4. It is provided, also, that the election of the President of the college and of the Physician-in-charge of Azariah Smith Memorial Hospital shall require the consenting vote of the Board of Trustees, so long as the Board of Trustees shall exist.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENT.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent votes of twothirds (%) of the members of the Board of Trustees and two-thirds (%) of the members of the Board of Managers at any regularly called meetings of said Boards, full notice of proposed amendment having been given at a previous meeting, and either Board being free to originate amendment, submitting the same to the other Board for ratification.

By-Laws.

- 1. The BOARD OF TRUSTEES shall hold an annual meeting in the month of February each year, for the election of officers, the receiving of reports, and the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting. It may hold special meetings, also, at the call of the president and secretary. One week's notice of all meetings shall be given by the secretary.
- 2. The Board of Trustees shall fix its own quorum for the transaction of business.
- 3. The president, secretary and treasurer of the Board of Trustees shall constitute an executive committee, with authority to make all needful arrangements and to do all necessary acts for the raising and investing of funds and the sale of securities, and to attend to all necessary details of business in accordance with the provisions of the constitution and the directions of the Board of Trustees, and shall report to the Board of Trustees at each annual meeting and at such other times as the Board of Trustees may direct.
- 4. The BOARD OF MANAGERS shall hold an annual meeting in connection with the annual meeting of the Cilicia Evangelical Union, and a semi-annual meeting between December first and January fifteenth, each year. Special meetings may be held at the call of the president and secretary. Two weeks' notice of all meetings, and a statement of the business to be considered at special meetings, shall be given by the secretary.
- A majority of the members of the Board of Managers shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- The President and the members of the Board of Managers residing in Aintab shall constitute an executive committee ad interim, and shall render a report at each meeting of the Board of Managers.
- 7. A copy of the minutes of the annual, semi-annual and special meetings of the Board of Managers shall be sent by its secretary to the Board of Trustees each year, in time for the annual meeting of the Trustees in February, and, immediately after the annual meeting

of the Board of Trustees, a copy of all action taken by that body during the year shall be transmitted by its secretary to the Board of Managers.

- 8. The report of the Board of Managers to the Board of Trustees shall consist of two parts, as follows: Part I, to be sent in July of each year, and to include a statement of the educational and general condition of the institution. Part II, to be sent in January of each year, after the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Managers, and to include (1) an itemized and audited account of the receipts and disbursements of the treasurer of the Board of Managers for the college year ending the preceding June, (2) an audited copy of the balance sheet of said treasurer, at date of July first next following the close of the above mentioned college year, (3) a statement of the financial condition of the college at the date of the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Managers just held, and (4) a set of estimates of receipts and expenses for the next following college year, as voted by the Board of Managers at this semi-annual meeting.
- 9. The FACULTY of each department shall hold an annual meeting in September of each year for organization, including the election of a clerk who shall be charged with the keeping of the official records.
- 10. The Faculty in each department shall meet at least once in two weeks during the college year, for the transaction of business.
- 11. A majority of the members of the Faculty in any department shall constitute a quorum, but a majority vote of all the members of the Faculty belonging to said department shall be necessary to the validity of any action.
- 12. These By-Laws may be amended by the concurrent votes of two-thirds (%) of the members of the Board of Trustees and two-thirds (%) of the members of the Board of Managers at any regularly called meetings of said Boards, full notice of proposed amendment having been given at a previous meeting, and either Board being free to originate amendment, submitting the same to the other Board for ratification.

The amended Constitution has eight (VIII) articles.

The amended By-Laws have twelve (12) paragraphs.

