The regular meeting of the Council Board of the United Evangelical Church was held on December 3, 1968.

Those in attendance were Albert Fader, George Sauer, Ernest Jones, Louis Smith, William Voelker, Robert Logue, Fred Long, William Single III, William Benser, George Tuerk, Louis Parker, Jr. and Louis Parker, Sr. were in Attendance.

Mr. Fader welcomed George Tuerk, William Benser and Louis Parker, Jr. to the Council Board and encouraged them to voice their thoughts and opinions on any business that came before the council.

The monthly financial report was reviewed and approved as submitted.

## Report of Committees:

Membership Committee: Mr. Voelker and his committee at a recent meeting re-activated 14 people as members of the Church after reviewing 106 cases, nineteen members who were considered inactive as shut-ins were found to be contributing generously; sixty-three members who were considered to be inactive in 1968 and did not get envelopes will receive them in 1969 in hopes that they will come around.

Mr. Voelker made a motion that new confirmands as of next September be given envelopes so they can contribute to the Church. Robert Logue seconded this motion and it was unanimously carried. Pastor Weisser said that a complete report would be forthcoming at January's Congregational Meeting.

Property Committee: George Sauer said that the plumber is very slow and hasn't given him a price yet. Mr. Sauer put a cover over the fan in the boy scout room to keep the cold air out; room needs painting - will start next week on 23-foot cubboards to store material.

Finance Committee: Progress

Altar Committee: Progress

Fellowship Committee: Mr. Long said that our Halloween Party cost was \$100.89; the Church gave \$100, he contributed the 89 cents.

A profit of \$1526.96 was made on the Oyster Supper and this is not a final figure yet.

Tinsel Day - purchased meat and incidentals, still need some groceries. There are 261 people signed up already and we expect more. Help is needed to serve coffee, wash dishes and set tables.

Calendar Committee: Pastor Rasche asked for the use of our facilities for Elmhurst College Glee Club concert which will be held Tuesday, April 22, 1969. There will be a meal for this group of about 30 people which will be paid for. Pastor Weisser said that we should try to get a good turn out for this worthwhile affair which is sponsored by all the United Churches of Christ in our vicinity.

Ushering Committee: Progress

Audit Committee: Progress

Spiritual Committee: William Single informed us of the special spiritual meeting which will be held Tuesday, December 9, 1968 at our Church. This meeting should have 40 to 50 people attending and will be a continuation of the work which was started at

the retreat at New Windsor in October.

Old Business: Mr. Fader asked Pastor Weisser about meals on wheels. He said that it was a bad day; wather wise people could not get out, that is why they could not get started. Dr. Weisser intends to get this program going soon with the aid of Mrs. Reidel.

Each service man who is a member of our church has received a 2-pound can of cookies.

The council discussed the acquisition of a life insurance policy on Pastor Rasche with the church as beneficiary. This policy would cost \$33 per year per \$1000 with a \$5000 minimum policy. The yearly premium for \$5000 would be \$169.30, double indeminity would cost \$176.90. William Single made a motion that we secure this policy and Robert Logue seconded it. The motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. William Single received a letter from the insurance company which we secured our Multi-Perile Package Policy from. The policy became effective September 1, 1968 and it is a very complex one covering all of our church property and all its contents. The company has offered to send a man out at a convenient time for us to explain this policy with its limitations, extention of coverage and special conditions.

Pastor Rasche informed us that Mr. Spledt could not take the job taking care of the teen group because of working conditions which would not let him attend regularly; we owe him \$10 for two nights. Mr. Fader said that we would work this matter out after Christmas.

New Business: Election of officers to the Church Council for the year 1969.

President: A motion was made by Louis Smith and seconded by William Voelker that J. Albert Fader be elected the President of the Council Board for the year 1969. The motion was unanimously carried.

Vice-President: A motion was made by Ernest Jones and seconded by Robert Logue that Fred Long be elected Vice-President of the Council Board for the year 1969. The motion was unanimously carried.

Recording Secretary: A motion was made by Robert Logue and seconded by William Voelker the Louis Parker, Sr. be elected Recording Secretary of the Council Board for the year 1969. The motion was unanimously carried.

Financial Secretary: A motion was made by Louis Smith and seconded by George Sauer that Ernest Jones be elected Financial Secretary of the Council Board for the year 1969. The motion was unanimously carried.

Treasurer: A motion was made by Ernest Jones and seconded by William Benser that Louis Smith be elected Treasurer of the Council Board for the year 1969. The motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. Fader was very much concerned about the conduct of the Girl Scouts in the Upper Room last Monday night; they stomped so much he thought the ceiling was going to come down. The girls also ran up and down the steps too much. There were also two boys age 14 to 16 years in the lavatory just outside the church office. Mr. Fader said that the girl scouts would have to be here by starting time and be dismissed at a regular time.

Mr. Fader thanked outgoing Council members William Single III, Richard Single, Alfred Johnson and George Sauer for the fine manner in which they served, and asked them to please think about running again for the Council when they were eligible to do so. William Single said that it was his pleasure to serve on the Council and that it

was a fine experience.

The Council president urged the new Council members to make themselves available on Sunday mornings between services to help count money.

Mr. Fader said that he would make the Church Council Committee appointments by the next meeting.

Pastor Rasche said that George Sauer and his wife would continue to take care of the altar cloths, but would not be taking care of communion or the Easter Lillys. Mr. Fader asked for permission to talk to Mr. Sauer in regard to this matter.

Pastor Rasche received a letter from the Chesapeake Association stating that havier contributions are required if the Association is to meet its general responsibilities in several areas. Pastor Rasche also received a letter from the United Church of Christ Home Inc. at Springvale Terrace requesting special gifts to help pay for some remodeling going on at the Home. The Council did not approve any special gifts or contributions for either request.

Pastor Rasche received a letter from Reverend Warren Hilfiker urging United Evangelical Church to sign a committment to Maryland Project Equality, Inc. The Council Board did not approve the adoption of this project.

Ernest Jones requested that he be allowed to take money from the Memorial Fund and transfer it to the General Fund so that he would have money to operate with. William Single moved that Ernest Jones be given permission to transfer \$5000 from the Memorial Fund to the General Fund. George Sauer seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

There being no other business to come before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis W. Parker, Sr. Recording Secretary