

The regular meeting of the Council Board of the United Evangelical Church was held on October 7, 1969.

Those in attendance were Albert Fader, John Lenning, William Benser, Ernest Jones, William Bark, Jr., George Tuerk, William Voelker and Louis Parker, Sr.

Mrs. Harcum, representing the Stewardship Committee of Central Atlantic Conference, opened the meeting with a prayer. She addressed us in regards to the schedule and training guide for the Fall program. This program will concentrate on the following:

1. Basic support increase of OCWM
2. Advance program leadership development
3. Acquiring sufficient capital funds
- 4. "Crisis in the Nation" follow-up.

The Council Board assured Mrs. Harcum that it would keep the goals of this program in mind in its future planning.

The meeting was called to order by President Albert Fader.

The minutes for the meeting for the month of August were read, and with minor corrections were approved.

The monthly financial report was reviewed and approved as submitted.

Report of Committees:

Finance Committee: Louis Smith will schedule a finance committee meeting - it will work on the proposed budget for the year 1970. Mr. Fader informed us that the sewing group is badly in need of material for its work and that two sewing machines which were donated to the group will have to be repaired at a cost of \$29. William Voelker made a motion that we have the two sewing machines repaired for \$29 and also secure \$25 worth of material for the sewing group. George Tuerk seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

Property Committee: The two heaters in the Upper Room will be installed by Mr. Albert as soon as they arrive which should be any day now. The carpeting in the parsonage hasn't been installed yet; this job was supposed to be completed in September. John Lenning will talk to the sextons about cleaning the painted walls in the Church School rooms where there are hand marks.

Membership Committee: There will be four or five people received into the membership at the end of this month. William Voelker will set up a meeting for this committee in order to get the total membership report completed by the end of the year.

Fellowship Committee: Ernest Jones reported that our Junior Council members are making too much noise in the narthex during church service when they should be in church. William Voelker was concerned about the lack of interest by our Junior Council members, and wondered whether we should open the Junior Council up to the girls. The end of October is the end of the year for the Junior Council. William Voelker moved that we open the Junior Council to confirmed young ladies 14 to 20 years of age and William Benser seconded the motion; it was carried. Mr. Jones informed us that the Oyster and Sour Beef Supper was coming along fine. Mr. Fader asked the Council members to come and help out at least one of the two nights of the supper. Pastor Rasche reminded us of our Halloween party Friday, October 31; he said that he would take care of the program. The party would not cost much money as there would only be small prizes and hot dogs and potato chips. Tinsel Day will be Dec. 14.

Youth Group for high school aged has been started, out of 35 invitations only three attended the first meeting; more promised to attend the next meeting. Young Adult Group had seven in attendance at its first meeting - prospects for the future look good. Pastor Rasche talked to Confirmation Class about a fellowship group which would meet once a month; three mothers offered their assistance with preparation of food. Teen Nite not started yet. Pastor Rasche thought we might work in conjunction with other churches.

Calendar Committee: No dates requested.

Music Committee: We are in dire need of male voices for the Senior Choir; Pastor Rasche said we should scurry up some voices especially male voices. Pastor Rasche asked how the Junior and Cherub Choirs were coming along. Mr. Fader requested that Donald Schnader be consulted on these matters, and also that the Church School be screened for potential Cherub Choir members.

Audit Committee: Ernest Jones said that he would arrange for an audit so that it would be ready for January's congregational meeting.

Ushering Committee: Covered in fellowship committee report.

Spiritual Committee: Dr. Weisser reported that for Laity Sunday, October 26, he had secured Mr. Herold of United Methodist Church of Philadelphia as guest lay speaker.. Pastor Weisser said that we would need about 25 to 35 dollars to cover his expenses which would include putting him up one night at Holiday Inn. The question came up - what would we give Mr. Herold over and above expenses for his services. William Bark made a motion that we pay Mr. Herold \$25 over and above costs for his services Laity Sunday and William Benser seconded the motion; it was unanimously carried. Pastor Rasche checked into several catering places and explained their offers in terms of food and prices. The Council Board agreed on the caterer who offered the half fried chicken box lunch for \$1.75. The Council Board agreed that their would be no charge for the box lunch, but a donation plate would be put out; the Church would pay the difference. William Bark made a motion that we purchase the box lunch for \$1.75 each and William Voelker seconded it and it carried. Pastor Weisser said that he and Louis Parker, Jr. had worked on the forming and the planning of the program for the focus groups which would immediately follow Mr. Herold's talk and that he would like to have the Council members participate in these groups.

Nominating Committee: The following six Council Board members two-year terms expire in November and will have to be replaced, they are John Lenning, Robert Logue, Sr., Frederick Long, Louis Smith, William Voelker and Louis Parker, Sr. Mr. Tuerk reported that he had talked to quite a few men about their running for the Church Council, but to date he had only a couple for sure. The Council Board gave him some more likely prospects.

Old Business: None

New Business: Pastor Rasche checked our supply of Church Bulletins for 1970 and found them to be in ample supply. They do not agree with the color of the Altar cloths, but the Council agreed this would be all right. Pastor Rasche informed us of a City of Baltimore Zoning Board meeting which was coming up October 21 at Hampstead High School. The outcome of this Zoning Board meeting, Pastor Rasche said, could seriously affect us both, as a church group, and as individual city dwellers. He urged us to attend this meeting if it was possible. William Bark, Jr. said that he was going to attend. Pastor Rasche said that the church should get a group together so that it would be represented. William Bark consented to represent

the church at this meeting and welcomed other Council Board members to join him. Pastor Rasche said that plans are in the making for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for the needy. Can goods will be brought in by the congregation and money will be taken out of the Canton Christian Council Fund.

The Fall meeting of the Chesapeake Association will be held Sunday, October 19 at Park Community Church from 3 to 8 p.m. This will not be a delegated meeting. Pastor Rasche hoped some Council members would attend as the talk would be about Lay work among congregations. Pastor said he would be asking for definite reservations.

Pastor Rasche informed us that he would be attending church meetings in Allentown, Pennsylvania October 10 and 11 and that he would be back on the 12th.

Altar cloths (green) are getting shabby, new donor approved.

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