

The regular meeting of the Council Board of the United Evangelical Church was held on February 4, 1970.

In attendance were Fred Long, Arthur Block, George Tuerk, Ray Schmitt, Louis Parker, Jr., William Voelker and Louis Parker, Sr., and Albert Fader.

The meeting was called to order by President, Albert Fader and was opened with a prayer by Pastor Paul A. Rasche.

The minutes of the meeting for the month of January were read and approved as submitted.

Mr. Fader welcomed John Lenning to the Board who graciously accepted to serve out the remainder of Ford Rowell's term; John carried the most votes in November's election of the three nominees who weren't elected. Ford Rowell tendered a letter of resignation to Council President Albert Fader because it was impossible for him to attend Council meetings as he worked on Tuesday evenings.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Property Committee: George Sauer said that we need a small knee-hole desk in the Church office for the secretarial help and that he had located one for \$30. Louis Parker, Jr. motioned that we purchase this desk for \$30 and Arthur Block seconded the motion; it was carried.

Finance Committee: In reviewing the monthly financial report an apparent error was found in the total income portion; the six sources of income did not add up to the total income. Mr. Jones was not present and Mr. Fader said that he would have him correct it.

Arthur Block said that he would call his committee to a meeting this month and beside other business would determine a good time to send the letter out to the congregation concerning the bond redemption.

Membership Committee: William Voelker promised a meeting of his committee sometime in February.

Fellowship Committee: Fred Long said that we would have the fellowship gathering after Wednesday night's Lenten Service and there would be buns and coffee.

Calendar Committee: All six dates have been taken up for bake sales during Lent.

Music Committee: Louis Parker, Sr. to make a feasibility study on moving choir and organ console to balcony.



Audit Committee: William Voelker and Clarence Rowell audited the Church books and reported that they were in order. Clarence Rowell suggested that we get a CPA or an accounting firm next year to do the audit; the Council Board will give this some thought.

Spiritual Committee: No meeting this year to date - did have the second Focus Group meeting.

Ushering Committee: William Voelker said that 10:15 Service is coming along fine.

Stewardship Committee: George Tuerk announced a meeting , February 10.

Youth Committee: Pastor Rasche asked if there couldn't be a meeting set up for February 17 at 7 o'clock in his office; chairman consented.

Old Business: Pastor Weissner reported that he had a turn-out of 40 people for his confirmation renewal class, which met for the first of eight sessions. Council approved request of Mrs. Grace Fader, our Church secretary, to work a half day, Saturday to make up for a half day on Friday when she would take off to work with the Lenten sales task force.

New Business: Mr. Fader brought the matter up about our having a special congregational meeting after a late Service on a Sunday so that we could have a big group in attendance to discuss the remaining five recommendations from the Pastor's report which he presented at January's congregational meeting. The Council thought it a good idea and Ray Schmitt made a motion that we have such a meeting and George Tuerk seconded it; it was carried. There would be an announcement from the pulpit on two Sundays preceding the Sunday on which this meeting would be held and it would take place immediately after the late Service; the date was set for April 19.

Pastor Rasche announced that Doctor and Mrs. Arole, missionary speakers from Japan, would be with us next Sunday and that the Doctor would preach at both Services as per our previous approval. He requested that we allow them a check for \$25. William Voelker made a motion that we pay Doctor and Mrs. Arole \$25 for their services and George Sauer seconded the motion and it was carried.

Pastor Rasche reported that he had been approached by a Mr. Harry M. Selznik, area superintendent of Baltimore Public Schools in regards to our renting them a portion of our Church School Building. The classes would be held five days a week at regular school hours and would be for training emotionally disturbed children. The area of the Church School used would be two rooms on the third floor and lavatory facilities. There would be sixteen children in these classes and three staff members.



Baltimore City would be completely responsible for all operation of the school and would also provide cleaning of the area involved; our facilities, however, would have to pass inspection by Baltimore City Inspection Department. The Council Board approved a go-ahead on this project which would proceed thusly: Albert Fader would be the chairman of a special committee; serving on this committee would be George Sauer, Ray Schmitt, Louis Parker, Jr., and Louis Parker, Sr.; this committee would meet with Baltimore City officials after facilities were approved by Baltimore City Inspection Department; make tentative arrangements and proposals and then report back to Council for full approval.

Pastor Rasche announced Thursday, March 19, 7:30 o'clock Confirmation presentation in the sanctuary. This would be an informal gathering where parents, friends and Council Board members would witness the confirmands presentation.

Monday, February 16, at Park Community Church; meeting which will be a follow-up of the meeting held at Zion Church. The matter of involvement, communications and togetherness which will be taken up between key people of each congregation, there would be other meetings to follow if enough interest in this one is shown. Mr. & Mrs. Albert Fader and Mr. & Mrs. Fred Long will represent our congregation at this meeting.

The Council agreed to subscribe to the United Church Herald which is the official organ of our church at large and deals with phases of our church functions on a national level. We will subscribe to ten copies which would cost \$3 per copy per year total \$30 and would sell them for 25¢ a copy to break even. Arthur Block motioned that we subscribe to the ten copies and George Tuerk seconded the motion and it was carried.

Pastor Rasche informed us that a Mr. and Mrs. Milton Black were presently taking instructions to become members of our church.

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

Pastor Weisser closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted

Louis W. Parker, Sr.  
Recording Secretary