

The regular meeting of the Council Board of the United Evangelical Church was held November 9, 1971.

Present were Fred Long, Ray Schmitt, William Voelker, Arthur Block, William Single III, Richard Single, George Sauer, George Tuerk, Ernest Jones and Louis Parker, Sr.

President Fred Long called the meeting to order and the meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer.

Pastor Rasche was attending the annual meeting of the Board for World Ministries at New Britain Conn. and could not be with us.

The monthly financial report was reviewed and approved as submitted.

Report of Committees: George Sauer said that he contacted the man who had fixed William Bark's basement and found that he would make the repairs in the parsonage thusly - a trench 12" wide and 12" deep would be dug around the perimeter and down through the center of the basement with a sump pump in the corner. The price quoted was \$850 this would not include any work on the walls. Arthur Block motioned that we have the \$850 repair job done, Ray Schmitt seconded it and it was carried.

George Sauer also informed us of the serious water problem that we are having in the parsonage upstairs. The walls are leaking and will require pointing up and waterproofing. The estimate to remove the old mortar for a depth of 3/4" and replace it with new around all four walls of the parsonage and waterproof it was \$2875. The Council Board pondered this problem for a while, and after a bit realized that even though this was a heavy expenditure it was one that had to be met, so that we would not suffer additional damage to the interior of the parsonage. Arthur Block motioned that we have the \$2875 repair job done, George Tuerk seconded it and it was carried.

Finance Committee: Arthur Block distributed copies of the 1972 proposed budget that he and Ernest Jones worked up. The Board reviewed the entire budget and there was one item in particular that was discussed at length; this item was the "automobile allowance" in the Pastorial Expenses portion. The records of the Financial Secretary indicated that the \$500 annual auto allowance was exceeded. William Single motioned that we keep the Automobile Allowance at the present \$500 level, but that we not pay any additional money out for the year 1971 because the limit has been exceeded. In 1972 the Pastor would have to pay all bills in excess of the budgeted amount of \$500 for Automobile Allowance. Ray Schmitt seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

Richard Single moved that we accept the 1972 Proposed Budget as presented with amendments, Ray Schmitt seconded the motion and it was carried.

Membership Committee: Progress

Fellowship Committee: The Council Board agreed that we would not alter the Tinsel Day hours for any wedding; if there is a conflict of time for Tinsel Day the person responsible would have to work out the problem.

Calendar Committee: No dates to approve.

Music Committee: Lou Parker Sr. informed the Council that Barbara Irons would be willing to stay on as Music Director through the Advent season and Christmas so that the Music Committee would have additional time to get a replacement. William Single was very much disturbed about the Music Committee chairman not having a meeting set up with our Church organ maintenance man and the Music Committee, Lou Parker promised such a meeting.

Auditing Committee: Report in January.

Spiritual Committee: Progress

Ushering Committee: Progress

Stewardship Committee: Progress

Youth Committee: Fred Long reported only three youth present at last session - not progressing with build up.

Nominating Committee: William Voelker reported that his committee had only four nominees to date with just two probables to check. Bill said that he would ask the Pastor to make an announcement from the Pulpit in an effort to get additional nominees.

Pastorial Committee: Progress

Old Business: George Tuerk to contact Henry Schneider Jr. about his standing on the Church Council.

New Business: Fred Long put the application of Mrs. Catherine Blanche Grape to Homewood Church Home to the Council for approval; the Board approved so Fred Long and Louis Parker, Sr. signed the application.

Pastor Rasche invited Reverend Frankenfeld to preach here at United Evangelical Church to commemorate Pastor Rasche's 10th anniversary as pastor of our Church. Pastor Rasche said that he felt Reverend Frankenfeld should be paid \$25 for preaching, and that if the Church didn't pay, he would; the Council Board agreed that the Church would not pay this fee.

We will make an effort to get Reverend Ball to assist with Communion.

Albert Witzke informed Fred Long that there are problems with three microphones in Friendship Hall. The existing amplifier would have to be overhauled also. The complete job would cost \$190. The Board did not approve the expenditure because the material portion of the estimate was said to be too expensive at \$75.

Mr. Long read a letter received of Albert Fader in which he resigned as General Chairman of the 100th Anniversary Committee.

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

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis W. Parker, Sr.
Recording Secretary