

The regular meeting of the Council Board of the United Evangelical Church was held on June 1, 1971.

In attendance were Fred Long, Ernest Jones, William Voelker, George Tuerk, William Single III, George Sauer and Louis Parker, Sr.

Fred Long called the meeting to order and Pastor Paul A. Rasche opened with a prayer.

The minutes for the meeting for the month of May were read and approved after minor correction.

The monthly financial report was reviewed and approved as submitted.

#### Report of Committees:

Finance Committee: William Single reported that the finance committee met last Tuesday night at Mr. Block's house. The session disclosed that the inventory is just about complete and that the church buildings and all their contents will exceed one million dollars. The evaluation of the tower bells is now finished and the finance committee will meet with Mr. Cober the insurance man to draw up the new contract.

Property Committee: George Sauer said that he called Mr. Eckes concerning the two air conditioners in the parsonage. Mr. Eckes told him that the only thing wrong with them is that they are noisy; for about \$50 each they could be made to operate OK. Pastor Rasche said the air conditioner downstairs is inoperative 20% of the time. William Single motioned that we have Mr. Eckes check the two air conditioners out and make necessary repairs on them. William Voelker seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

The Church School building has some heat pipes leaking which Mr. Sauer said he would check out.

The filters above the stoves in the kitchen are very dirty and grease soaked; George Sauer said he would clean them.

George informed us that the man Arthur Block had in mind to step in as janitor for Chris will not be able to do so. George said Carrie and Ev will take care of the cleaning in Chris' absence; it will require three days each at \$15 each a day. The Council Board approved.

Membership Committee: Pastor Rasche reported that eight new members were taken into membership Sunday, May 30.

#### Fellowship Committee: Progress

Music Committee: Louis Parker, Sr. reported that he and Fred Long notified Mrs. Barbara Irons that in the future she clear important items with the Council Board before taking action; citing the case where she discontinued the children's choir rehearsals for the season without consulting anyone. Pastor Rasche said that he would contact Mr. Chapman Gonzalez of Peabody to make the evaluation on our organ.

Spiritual Committee: Seargent Goddard of the Public Relations Office of Baltimore City gave his presentation on Narcotics and according to Mr. Long it was very good. Fred said the turn out was very light for such a fine presentation. The Women's Guild would like to have Seargent Goddard back and give his presentation again. They would prepare a little dinner to insure a worthwhile turnout and their would be a "good will offering" to help defray expenses.

#### Ushering Committee: Progress



Stewardship Committee: George Tuerk informed the Board that he received only 150 hand-out pamphlets from Central Atlantic Conference Committee on Stewardship. George said he would need 350 more to have enough for the active membership of the Church; the Council Board approved of Mr. Tuerks suggestion to write for 350 more pamphlets.

Youth Committee: Fred Long said that the Youth Group needs supplies such as weight lifting equipment, basketballs and some other smaller items. The Council Board approved the purchase of these items which would come out of the special Youth Group account of \$300. The group could also use wrestling mats according to Mr. Long, but these would come later.

Old Business: Henry Schneider Jr. will be leaving in two weeks for a five month stint in the service. Fred Long said that he would talk to him about having a man serve in his place through this period.

New Business: William Single expressed deep concern about the large number of children who are baptized here at our church that we never see again. Pastor Rasche said ours is a free church and we cannot turn anyone down, the parents are counceled in his office for 45 minutes or so where they are told what is expected of them when they make the promises at the altar. Pastor Rasche further stated that Pastor Weisser follows up with a personal contact with all these people who have had their children baptized here. Mrs. Harris, superintendent of the Cradle Roll, also contacts these people at the time their child should enter the Cradle Roll Department.

Reverend Tichner will be leaving and going to Howard County.

The Council Board approved Pastor Rasche's preaching at Messiah Church on Father's Day, June 20. Pastor Weisser will preach both services here.

The Council Board approved Pastor Rasche's vacation for the month of August and Pastor Weisser's for the month of July.

Pastor Weisser told of the Daily Vacation Bible School program this year which will begin July 6 and run through July 23. The program will be shared with St. Brigid's Catholic Church and our United Evangelical Church. The Protestant churches of Canton will also participate.

William Single noting the fine program and close cooperation of the Catholic and Protestant Churches of Canton in this joint venture, suggested we call the Sunpapers and let them know about our summer program; he thought they just might run a feature story on it. The Council Board approved the usual \$100 contribution to Daily Vacation Bible School.

The meeting of the Council Board for the month of August was canceled.

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