

The regular meeting of the Council Board of the United Evangelical Church was held January 4, 1972.

In attendance were Arthur Block, Ernest Jones, George Sauer, Richard Single, George Tuerk, Robert Logue, John Lenning, Henry Schneider Jr., William Single III, Ray Schmitt, Louis Parker Jr., and Louis Parker Sr.

The 1971 year-end financial report was reviewed and all agreed it came out all right.

The \$242 will be sent in to Central Atlantic Conference so that our committment of \$6000 for the year will be met.

Pastor Rasche mentioned that perhaps we shouldn't keep money in our safe for too long a period for we may have a break-in. The Council Board agreed that we really do not keep that much money in the safe, but we would keep the doors at the base of the stairway leading to the kitchen locked when we count money on Sunday mornings. The Board approved the mailing out of the 1972 envelopes which hadn't been picked up by church members.

Report of Committees:

Property Committee: George Sauer said he did not hear from the man yet who was supposed to do the painting up of the walls on the exterior of the parsonage. There is a Mr. Pallock in nearby Harmony Court that George said he would check into for this job. George also told us of another man - a Mr. Walters who claimed all of the moiter would not have to be dug out - he would give us a quote both ways. The man will start the waterproofing in the parsonage basement soon. Bill Single again mentioned the chipped paint and eroded plaster in the stairway of the Church School Building. Mr. Block asked George Sauer to get his committee together and look the problem over and to come up with recommendations for a fix.

Calendar Committee: Council Board approved use of Upper Room Friday, February 25 for a meeting of Pastors and their wives. Friday, Feb. 11 will be Mardi Gras night in Friendship Hall. This event will be strictly for adults a sort of fun night just before the beginning of Lent. The Fellowship Committee of the Council and the Young Women's Guild will work combine efforts to put things together.

Ushering Committee: George Sauer and George Tuerk will head up the ushers at the 8:00 a.m. service; Henry Schneider Jr. and Louis Parker Jr. will do the same at the 10:15 a.m. service. George Sauer will take care of the wine for Communion at early service and Lous Parker Jr. will take care of the late service. The Council Board agreed that under normal conditions only two ushers are needed in the narthex of the Church, the others should take seats in the last pew. A special effort will be made by the ushers to move in unison when taking the offering. A good count must be kept of attendance so that records can be kept and Mrs. Fader uses this count in determining the amount of Bulletins needed.

Music Committee: Lou Parker Sr. reported that the Music Committee, Pastor Rasche and President Fred Long interviewed two applicants for Music Director to replace the departing Mrs. Barbara Irons. After hearing each applicant play and interviewing them the unanimous choice was for John Bankett who has earned a full time scholarship at the Peabody Conservatory of Music. He is currently in his third year and looks forward to doing post graduate study there. Louis Parker Sr. recommended that the Council Board hire John Bankett as Music Director. Louis Parker Jr. made a motion that we hire John Bankett as Music Director, George Tuerk seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

The following guide lines were agreed upon by both John Bankett and Council Board.

- 1) Annual salary of Music Director would be \$3000
- 2) Music Director would take care of having a replacement in his absence and he would also compensate his replacement.
- 3) Music Director would get two weeks vacation a year commencing the 1st year; his replacements pay would be limited to \$50 a week, any additional the Music Director would have to pay.
- 4) After completing one year satisfactory service the Council Board would consider giving the Music Director one or two sick days with pay per year if required.
- 5) All music and music presentations would have to be approved by Pastor Rasche.
- 6) Music Director would play for two services on Sunday and would be responsible for two Choirs - Senior Choir and Youth Choir. There would be a rehearsal for each choir approximately one hour duration. There is the possibility of the Children's Choir starting up at any time; if this were to materialize the Music Director would play for them at Sunday's service.
- 7) Pastor Rasche explained in abbreviated form the complete music program for a year - such as special music during Lenten services, sometimes a Cantata at Easter or Christmas.

Audit Committee: Arthur Block mentioned that we should get an outside audit of our Church books- possibly Al Johnson in June or July. William Single said that he would contact Al Johnson.

Youth Committee: Otts said that Fred Long has consented to continue to handle the Youth Group.

Fellowship Committee: Dorothy Long has consented to help out with fellowship with the aid of some of the women of the Young Women's Guild.

Ed Myers accepted the chairmanship of the 100th Anniversary Committee.

New Business: Council approved the purchase of ten dozen new hymnals. George Sauer will look into the matter of making hymnal racks for the pews in the balcony.

The Council Board will have a special meeting Tuesday January 25 to review the booklet on Restructuring the Central Atlantic Conference for Mission.

Mrs. Marylyn Crusse of 305 Magnolia Terrace was granted a transfer to Zion Church at Golden Ring Road. Arthur Block made the motion, Ernest Jones seconded it and it was carried.

Reverend Wayne Moulder will be our guest missionary speaker Sunday, January 30.

The Consistorial Dinner will be held at St. Matthews Church Monday, Feb. 14. Pastor asked the Council to make every effort to be in attendance, so that we would have a good turn-out.

The Council and Pastor Rasche gave a special work for thanks to George Sauer for doing another fine job with the Christmas decorations. -

Mens Fellowship: Pastor Rasche announced the starting up again of the Mens Fellowship meetings; they will be unstructured and there won't even be a membership or any dues. Meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month.

We will not be doing anything in the way of formal participation in the Billy Graham Crusade as only eight people signed the paper in the Narthex of the Church.

Pastor Rasche suggested that we have a variety in our Lenten services this year instead of the usual preach and sing services. The Council Board approved; Pastor Rasche will work out the program.

George Tuerk will get his committee to check the attendance records over as our mailing list is at 1200, some of these will probably be removed.

Pastor Rasche said that the Committees should become more active in working things out.

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