

The regular meeting of the Council Board of the United Evangelical Church was held August 23, 1972; this meeting moved out to the end of the month would take in both August and September.

Present were Arthur Block, George Sauer, Ernest Jones, Richard Single, William Single III, Robert Logue, Ray Schmitt, Henry Schneider, Jr., John Lenning and Louis Parker, Sr. Pastor Paul A. Rasche was on vacation.

President Arthur Block called the meeting to order.

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

The monthly financial report was reviewed and approved as written.

Report of Committees:

Property Committee: George Sauer reported that he purchased the new refrigerator for the kitchen for \$998.00 and an ice maker for \$740.00. Mr. Sauer informed us that the water cooler in Friendship Hall was not working properly; and that to have it repaired would probably be foolish because of its age; he recommended that we purchase a new one for \$219.00. Henry Schneider motioned that we purchase the new water cooler, Richard Single seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried. Masonite paneling has now been installed in all three floors in the stairway of the Church School building at a cost of \$400.00; George suggested that we finish the ground floor entrance way and the entrance way to the gym in the same masonite paneling. Richard Single motioned that we have this paneling job done by George; Robert Logue seconded the motion and it was carried. George Sauer told about four kids roaming about the interior of the buildings while Church School is in session. In one instance, a kid was seen walking off with a volley ball which he claimed belonged to him. These kids claim they come in all the time and play basketball at unscheduled times. The Council Board suggested that we place a bolt on the rear doors; and Arthur Block added that we should make sure this bolt is opened any time we have a church function. Chris, our sexton, said it is getting so he is afraid to come in here in the morning because a certain member of the Church School staff has startled him many times by popping out on him in the Church School building. Richard Single said that we should make it a rule that anyone coming into the church buildings should let Grace Fader know of their presence. Arthur Block said that he would talk to the offender the first chance he gets.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Odd Fellows Lodge informed Mr. Sauer that our rental fee of \$350.00 for the year for the use of Friendship Hall was rather high; the Council Board concurred that this was certainly a nominal fee and we would not revise it. In the event that this group did decide to rent our hall, the Council Board agreed to pay Chris \$5.00 a meeting night to open and lock the doors. Mr. Sauer said that the leaks

are fixed in the front of the boilers and that the flow valves would be replaced next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Finance Committee: Richard Single said that he didn't have anything specific to report on in regards to Chris's pension and he would like to hold a special meeting and take the matter up.

Membership & Stewardship Committee: Henry Schneider, Jr. reported - progress. Arthur Block thanked Henry for the fine report he worked up which pointed up pertinent attendance data.

Music Committee: Louis Parker, Sr. suggested that we present each person who sang as soloist at our summer Church services with a small gift as a token of our appreciation. George Sauer said that he did not like the idea because it could possibly cause hard feelings, as there are many other people who do things here at the Church who do not get a gift; Arthur said that we would pender the idea.

Calendar Committee: October 24 and 25, the last Tuesday and Wednesday of October, were approved as dates for this year's Sour Beef Supper. Ernest Jones again accepted the chairmanship of this affair. George Sauer complained about not having any kind of organization at these suppers as far as the kitchen help is concerned; everybody it seems wants to work at precisely his or her task, thus leaving many tasks unattended. Otts said that Ernest should get the Ladies Aid and the Women's Guild together and find out just how many workers we need for the two days and three nights work and get them lined up. Mr. Block also suggested a meeting be set up with these two organizations in attendance so that a boss could be appointed to supervise the affair to eliminate all the confusion. Mrs. Lockman will be contacted so that we can secure the oysters at the same place; ticket prices this year would be \$2.50.

Ushering Committee: George Sauer reported everything OK. Otts reported fine cooperation from non-Council members helping out with Church service.

Fellowship Committee: President Block reported a family type get together Friday, September 29; when one of the features would be the showing of the pictures taken in Europe by Pastor and Mrs. Rasche. The Youth Group in 1972 has held two affairs in which they netted with the aid of donations \$429.80. Last Sunday Mr. Block and 22 other adults took 23 children to Rehobeth Beach and Wildwood, N.J.; a fine time was had by all and the bus trip for the children was paid for out of their fund. A special checking account was opened up in the Church's name for the Youth Group fund; signatures consisting of two Council Board members and Fred Long were set up to draw on this account. The elections for this Youth Group will be coming up soon.

Old Business: Otts reported in George Tuerk's absence that George had sent out some letters to the Seminaries and to Reverend Warren Hilfiker concerning out guest for an assistant Pastor.

Picnic Committee: There was some dissatisfaction voiced about the poor facilities encountered at the Mago Vista Beach Club; some new places will be checked out for next year's picnic.

New Business: Louis Parker, Sr. was nominated and accepted Chairmanship of the nominating committee with George Sauer assisting.

The Church Services for the Youth that we hope to initiate, according to Mr. Block, could be held at 9:15 a.m. and end at 10:00 a.m. In order for these services to be successful they would have to be well planned. Pastor Rasche has been contacting another minister who has some experience with this type of service; these services have guitar music and are quite different from the services we know, but they still carry the religious message, according to Mr. Block. These services could be held twice a month or maybe even on a full time basis if they are successful. Arthur Block set up a special committee with Ray Schmitt heading it up to work at setting up these special Youth services.

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,

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