

The regular meeting of the Council Board of the United Evangelical Church was held April 2, 1974.

Attending were George Tuerk, George Sauer, William Single III, Arthur Block, William Voelker, William Bark, Ernest Jones, Albert Fader, Ray Schmitt, Randy Schmitt and Louis Parker, Jr.

President George Tuerk called the meeting to order and Pastor Paul A. Rasche opened the meeting with a prayer.

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

The monthly Financial Statement was reviewed and approved as submitted.

Report of Committees:

Property Committee: George Sauer, on behalf of the Women's Guild, requested that we purchase a large commercial type mixer such as the one Charlie Zinn is currently loaning us for the Lenten Sales. Mr. Zinn has stated that he would sell us this mixer for \$200. Otts Block motioned that we purchase this mixer; Ray Schmitt seconded it and the motion was carried.

The subject of coin counters was brought up again and Bill Bark agreed to make inquiries as to what is available and the various prices from sources with which he deals.

Mr. Sauer reported that three door checks in the Sunday School Building are bad. Bill Bark motioned that George be allowed to repair or replace these. Ernie seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. Sauer stated that the parsonage carpeting needs cleaning, the walls need cleaning and some of the wallpaper in the back bedroom needs repairing due to water damage from the air conditioner. George will get estimates.

Finance Committee: Bill Single reported that we have begun to deposit at American National Bank. Bill, also, stated that we will continue to write checks against our Equitable Trust checking account until the account is completely depleted to close the account.

Membership/Stewardship Committee: Al Fader reported that the remaining 131 names in the "questionable membership" category will be gone over at the next committee meeting. Plans are being made for the home visitation program as response to the requests from the pulpit for volunteers has been good.

Al reported that Dr. Preston Sartelle will arrive May 18th, and gave us a brief run-down of the proposed program. He will be here the entire week and will leave the following Saturday. Dr. Sartelle requested that all activities of that week be cancelled as we will have services every night. The only meeting not to be cancelled is the Youth Service meeting which

will be rescheduled.

Spiritual Committee: Progress

Music Committee: Randy Schmitt reported that the new Youth Choir will sing on Palm Sunday.

Randy reported that we will be using two paid soloists in the April 3rd Lenten Service Choral Presentation. This arrangement was made without prior Council approval due to the urgency of the request, as there would not have been time to get Council approval and still have time to prepare for the program. The committee met with Mr. Bankett and he was told that in the future he should make his requests to the Music Committee in adequate time to have the request brought before the Council.. John was told at this meeting also to choose material with which the choir is familiar. The Council made it a point to instruct the Committee to continue to impress upon John the importance of selecting material that the choir can handle.

Youth Committee: Otts Block asked to clear the dates August 16th & 17th for the Youth Show; approval was given.

Randy Schmitt stated that Gary Pate and Bob Jackson have about ten youth interested in formally re-organizing the Junior Council.

Fellowship Committee: Progress

Youth Service: Randy reported that the special presentation of the Youth Service for area Conference Youth is prepared for April 21. Randy also reported that Pastor Bartell will not be able to assist with the Youth Service after this month as he has accepted a part-time Pastorate commencing May 1st.

Sunday School Liaison: Otts reported that the picnic location for this year is as yet undetermined. The Pastor stated that he can get the use of a very fine private shore at Cape St. Clair on Wednesday, July 31, 1974. It was decided to instruct the Sunday School to proceed to arrange for a week-day picnic at the location of their own choice.

Old Business: Arthur Block was concerned about the Travel announcement that was placed in the Endeavor concerning the trip to Europe and other trips by bus, as this was banned by previous Council action.

George Tuerk read a letter from Mayor Schaefer that was sent to Lou Parker, Jr. stating that he would not be able to attend the Lord's Supper Tableau.

George Tuerk brought up for consideration the matter of issuing the call to Mary Ellen Kitchen for the position of Associate Pastor. The Council decided to present Mrs. Kitchen to the Congregation with the recommendation

of the Council, provided Pastor Rasche approves of her after their upcoming interview. Ray Schmitt motioned to present Mrs. Kitchen to the Congregation with our recommendation as the congregation will ultimately decide by ballot whether or not the call is made. Randy seconded the motion and it was carried. Mrs. Kitchen will be asked to preach on April 21, 1974.

Mr. Tuerk then brought up the question of money. Much discussion followed and it was decided to have the Finance Committee meet with her to discuss the financial arrangements should she be called.

New Business: Pastor stated that Robert Logue, Jr. requested to transfer to Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church. Al Fader motioned that the transfer be approved. George Sauer seconded it and the motion carried.

Pastor Rasche then read a list of names to be approved for membership. Al Fader motioned that the candidates for membership as read be approved. Ernie Jones seconded the motion and it was carried.

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, Jr.
Recording Secretary