

**UNITED EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 4, 1997**

The regular meeting of Church Council of the United Evangelical Church was held on Tuesday, March 4, 1997.

Those in attendance were: Olga deBloom, George Finnerty, Calvin Gundlach, Baptist Hoffmann, Harvey Jacob, Bill Meyers, George Nassner, John Price, Clarence Rowell, Darlene Waters, John Williams and Anita Williar.

Pastor Armstrong opened the meeting with a prayer.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The minutes from our last Council meeting on February 4, 1997 were approved as corrected. Our Financial Report was accepted as read. Calvin Gundlach reported that the church was \$6,000 in the whole. Darlene Waters moved to accept the report and Olga deBloom seconded the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE:

An expression of thanks was received from the Becker family thanking the Council for their memorial.

A note was received from Cass Young stating that Anita Williar does not want the Church to file an insurance report on Kenneth Williar's injuries. Anita stated her insurance company will be responsible.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Property:

John Price reported that he was unhappy with some work which was performed by the cleaning service. John stated that he will have the job re-done.

John Price received a letter from Gifts In Kind International through Carol Borkman. The letter was in reference to receiving used 386 computers. John spoke with an individual at the company in regards to receiving four computers and how they would be used. A letter from John was sent to the company per their instructions. John will wait to see if we have been accepted.

Harvey Jacob brought to the Council's attention that an individual approached him after services who wants to paint the face of the clock. This work will be donated services. Our good samaritan is Bill Meyers. Thanks Bill!

MEMBERSHIP:

Bill Meyers wants to classify Church membership. Bill wants to update our membership listing. This update will consist of Active/Inactive/Support Members. A suggestion was presented by Harvey Jacob of doing another directory with no pictures, just names, etc. Bill will need a list of those members to establish an updated list.

Pastor Armstrong stated that there will be two individuals, Melinda McCulley and George Williar, who will become members of the Church on March 23, 1997 along with the five confirmands.

ALTER:

Olga deBloom informed the Council she has ordered flowers for the Living Cross for Eastern Sunday. Also, the order was placed for lilies. Palms for Palm Sunday was also ordered.

FELLOWSHIP:

George Finnerty informed the Council that Jim Tallagsen came to the church last week to show George the process for ordering supplies for the Sour Beef dinner, and Mother/Daughter Banquet. George stated to give him a little time and he'll have no problems with purchasing the supplies needed.

SPIRITUAL:

Carol Rowell has been working on the Cradle Roll. Carol will be sending out cards shortly.

Pastor Armstrong informed the Council that two children attended church services who were deaf. Pastor is hopeful that it will continue.

MUSIC:

No comment.

CALENDAR:

- March 22, 1997 - Cub Scouts dance. Rescheduled from previous request.
- April 20, 1997 - 50th Confirmation Class Reunion.

- March 23, 1997 - Palm Sunday. Blessing of the Palms at 9:30 a.m. at O'Donnel Square. Rite of Confirmation at 10:30 a.m. service. Distribution of Palms at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. services.
- March 26, 1997 - "Last Supper Tableau" at 8:00 p.m. service.
- March 27, 1997 - Service of Tennebrae and Sacrament of Holy Communion at 7:30 p.m. service.
- March 28, 1997 - Good Friday - Sacrament of Holy Communion at 10:00 a.m. service.
- March 30, 1997 - Easter Sunrise service at 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. with Sacrament of Holy Communion. Children's Service - The Living Cross at 9:00 a.m.
- March 31, 1997 - Church office will be closed.
- April 9, 1997 - Sour Beef Dinner - one day only.
- May 7, 1997 - Mother/Daughter banquet.

USHERING:

Members of the Ushering Committee specified that there will be sufficient coverage for Easter Sunday which will include Sunrise Service and Church Service.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

George Nassner reported that there are sixteen (16) individuals signed up for the month for Chinese Boxing. Classes have been going well.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS:

Clarence Rowell stated that there was no reason to continue with this portion. No other comments received.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. P.A.C.T. Report of the month was reviewed. George Nassner and Calvin Gundlach questioned the salaries of the P.A.C.T. program. There are currently four employees. George stated that he will contact the responsible individual to discuss the problem.
2. Fred Long will be honored for his service to the Sunday School. Clarence Rowell will be working on something for this occasion.
3. A donation was suppose to have been made to the Church to purchase a new Christmas tree. John Strong will be contacted for additional information.
4. The proposal from A.J. Michaels Company was presented at both church services on February 23, 1997. An unanimous vote was received to proceed with the Boiler project.
5. Anita Williar brought up the concern of the acolyte gowns. There are several which have patches, hoods have holes, and wax dripping on the front. Anita asked permission to purchase new robes. It was recommended by Anita that four (4) robes would be sufficient. Anita will look into the cost for this purchase and report back of the Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clarence Rowell informed the Council that Cass Young will be representing United Evangelical at the World Day of Prayer. Cass has requested a donation from our Church to be presented. A suggestion was received from Pastor Armstrong that \$50.00 be given. Darlene Waters motioned this request and Olga deBloom seconded. All Council members were in agreement.
2. Darlene Waters has received the answer pertaining to the Council's questions on Average Monthly Collected Balance. The answer is - checking account can't go below \$2,000 balance. It was motioned by John Price to change banks, Baptist Hoffman seconded the motion. Council members were all in agreement. The change will take place once all checks are close to being used. Depositing of money after church services on Sundays till be started.
3. Prices for Church Love Gifts, Memorials, and Special Prayers will stay the same. Bill Meyers motioned, John Williams seconded motion. All Council members were in favor.
4. Darlene Waters stated that she felt Cass Young should have a raise since she is only being paid .50 more than Cass who has

been at the Church longer than herself. Darlene motioned that Cass' pay be increased to \$8.00 an hour and John Price seconded the motion. All Council members were in agreement.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Pastor Armstrong has requested permission for vacation from April 1 - 7, 1997 to visit his son. All Council members were in favor and approved his request.

The Council meeting closed with the saying of the Lord's Prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.