

**UNITED EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MAY 6, 1997**

The regular meeting of Church Council of the United Evangelical Church was held on Tuesday, May 6, 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, Anita Williar and Pastor Armstrong.

Pastor Armstrong opened the meeting with a prayer. Our meeting was called to order by our Vice President, Harvey Jacob.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The minutes and financial report from our last Council meeting on April 1, 1997 were accepted as read. The financial report was reported as being in balance. Darlene Waters motioned to accept these reports and seconded by Bill Meyers.

Calvin Gundlach reported that the Church was \$8,600 in the whole. It was motioned by Bill Meyers to accept and seconded by Olga deBloom. Our current balance for the Boiler Fund as of this report is \$18,353.24.

It was reported that P.A.C.T. is now up to date on their donation. No money is due to the Church.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

A card was received from the family of Brenda Flynn thanking the Council for their thoughtfulness.

A letter was received from Special Olympics of Maryland asking for a donation for this special event. The Council decided no donations were to be made at this time, but we should take Special Olympics into consideration when we start the preparation of our next Church budget.

Several pieces of information was received from various Conferences. This information was discussed and those interested in attending should see Anita to review the correspondence.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Property:**

John Price stated the boilers are now shut down, oil service and policy has been discontinued. It is anticipated that the oil currently in the tanks will be pumped out after the 1st of the month.

Marty Craig approached John Price in reference to purchasing new curtains. Marty specified that she would pay for this. The Council agreed to this donation, but to wait until after the boiler work was completed.

Bill Meyers is still waiting for the weather to break so work can begin on the clock tower. Hopefully, this will begin the first part of June.

Membership:

Bill Meyers is still trying to get a list of United's membership.

Alter:

Olga deBloom stated a donation was received to purchase flowers for the alter on Mother's Day. Thanks to our donator.

Fellowship:

George Finnerty stated Big Jim is still "helping".

Music:

No comments.

Calendar:

May 7, 1997	Mother/Daughter Banquet
May 31, 1997	DC Impact
June 7, 1997	DC Impact
June 14, 1997	DC Impact
June 21, 1997	DC Impact
June 28, 1997	DC Impact

Youth Car Wash - No date has been decided as of yet.

Ushering:

No comments.

Christian Education:

It was reported the P.A.C.T. group was losing money again this month.

Chinese Boxing has been on a trial basis. Charles Wallace requested to have it continue. Olga deBloom motioned to have it continue and Darlene Waters seconded. All Council members were in favor.

The piano teacher will be graduating this year. There will be a new teacher taking over the piano lessons.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Boiler Fund Raiser: Darlene Waters presented the information in reference to "200 Club". Darlene discussed how this raffle works. Olga deBloom motioned to accept. John Williams seconded. There were three opposed: Bill Meyers; Harvey Jacob and Clarence Rowell. Anita Williar will help Darlene with this raiser.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Vacation Bible School will be held at St. Bridget's from June 23-28, 1997. There will be a meeting held on May 19, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss this event. There are approximately 140 individuals helping with this event. Help will be needed for aids, teachers helpers, etc. It was motioned by Darlene Waters that \$150.00 be given to this and seconded by Olga deBloom. Money will be used to purchase teaching materials.
- 2) Pastor Armstrong requested vacation from July 21-28, 1997 to attend a seminar in North Carolina. It was motioned by John Price to approve and Darlene Waters seconded the motion. All Council members were in favor.
- 3) There will be a special service held on May 18, 1997 from 4:00 till 6:00 p.m. at Poly/Western High School for the Urban Mission Project. Those from United who plan to attend are George Nassner, George Finnerty, Pastor Armstrong. Pastor Armstrong plans on asking Rob Gundlach to attend also.
- 4) Pastor Armstrong introduced the Council to having two seminary students from Howard University to assist with various aspects of the Church. It was thought to have them get involved with the worship service, vacation church school, visiting sick and shut-ins. The anticipated start time will be sometime in June and to continue until August. Olga deBloom motioned to accept the students and Bill Meyers seconded the motion. All Council members were in favor.
- 5) The Church secretaries were treated to lunch on Secretary's Day. These ladies well deserve this treat. John Price paid the bill but asked if the Church should be paying for this special event. It was decided the Church will now be responsible for this. John should submit the bill to the

Church for reimbursement. **Thanks John for your golden heart!**

- 6) John Price brought up the conversation of having youth participate in Church services. We are all glad to see more youth being involved in these activities. A concern was raised as to the youth on their appearance and chewing habits. It was decided nothing could be done on their appearance, but Anita will work on the chewing habits. Anita felt that since she has a good working relationship with the youth, it would be better for her to handle the problems that come up. Any concerns should be brought to her attention.

**PASTOR'S REPORT:**

There was a review of the Church attendance.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.