

The semi-annual Congregational meeting of the United Evangelical Church was called to order on Sunday November 24, 1985 at 11:45 A.M., President Mr. George Tuerk presiding.

The secretary read the minutes from the previous Congregational meeting. They were approved as read.

Reports from Church Organizations were accepted as announced in the program.

Financial report was studied and accepted as presented.

Old Business:

The oil tank has been tested and there is no leak. The Council has decided to stay with oil for the time being, since conversion to gas would run approximately \$13,000.00. The Crystal Oil Company was very helpful when we needed emergency shipments of oil and we will keep them as our supplier.

New Business

Election of Council Members:

Those running for Council are:

Mr. William Voelker
Mr. Paul Bauersfeld
Mrs. Grace Fader
Mrs. Katherine Weitzel
Mr. Calvin Gundlack
Mr. Louis Parker, Sr.

Since we need six new members, and we only have six candidates, ballots not needed. Motion was made and approved to accept all candidates to the Council.

Budget for 1986:

Motion was made by Mr. Martin to combine the Petty cash fund and miscellaneous fund for a total of \$650.00. This change was approved by the Congregation. The rest of the Budget for 1986 was approved as presented by the Congregation.

Liberty Saving and Loan:

In February of 1985 a certificate of deposit was obtained at Liberty Savings and Loan in the amount of \$45,000. This account is not federally insured, and at the present time withdrawals are being held at \$1000.00 per month. Mr. Parker and Mr. Voelker have met with Mrs. Levy of Liberty Savings. Mrs. Levy has assured us that all necessary papers have been filed and they expect to be approved for Federal Insurance by the end of December. Mr. Martin thought small Savings and Loans must merge with larger organizations before they could qualify for Federal Insurance.

Mr. Tuerk asked if anyone had an opinion on what to do at Liberty. Mr. Martin made a motion to leave the money in Liberty until they are Federally insured or until we can further determine their status. Motion was seconded by Mr. Long and approved by the Congregation.

Mr. Single made a motion that in the future, Church money should only be placed in Federally insured institutions. This was seconded by Mr. Jones and approved by the Congregation.

The Choir has bought new robes and paid for them as a contribution to the Church.

The Young Women's Guild has donated \$500.00 to the General Fund and \$50.00 to the Poinsettia Fund.

The Ladies Aide has donated \$500.00 to the General Fund.

Mrs. Fader reported on the Sour Beef and Oyster Supper. The combined receipts from the Raffle and Dinner gave us a profit of \$9,265.97. Congratulations and thanks to all of those who worked so hard to make this such a success.

Mini-Bus

Mrs. Grace Fader talked to us about an idea that Mrs. Craig has had for the purchase of a bus for transportation of the elderly to and from Church services, children to and from Church School, and other errands which might be needed. Both the Young Women's Guild and the Ladies Aide are ready to extend their efforts to raise money for this purchase. If the Council supports this, Mrs. Fader wondered if the Congregation would also support this project. Above the cost of purchase would be insurance, gas, maintenance and perhaps a salary for a driver, if we have no volunteers. It was decided that we would look into the possibilities and begin a special fund for the bus. The Young Women's Guild started us off with a donation of \$1000.00 toward the bus.

Mrs. Kathy Fair asked about having a youth representative on the Council with Voice but not Vote status. Mr. Tuerk said this is already in the by-laws and they are welcome at any time.

Mr. Long made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Myers and the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Patricia C. Jenkins
Church Council Secretary