

Wesleyan Theological Society
General Business Meeting Minutes
Mt. Vernon Nazarene College - November 7, 1997

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm.

Wes Tracy gave the President's report.

Wes Tracy presented the Executive Committee report which proposed that an effort be made to recruit more members from among racial and ethnic minority groups and women. The report was accepted.

Doug Strong presented his report as acting first vice-president.

Al Truesdale presented the second vice-president's report and the call for paper for the 1999 meeting, the topic of which will be: Wesleyan Theology in a Postmodern Era.

Bill Kostlevy presented the secretary/treasurer's report and the budget for the next one and one-half years. The budget, which included provision for funding to encourage greater inclusiveness in membership, was approved as presented.

Barry Callen gave the journal editor's report. Two issues of the journal were published during the year and the Spring 1998 issue is in progress.

Steve Lennox presented the publicity and promotions report.

Ken Collins of the Nominating Committee presented the candidates for the office of second vice-president (Dr. Steve Land, Dr. K. Steve McCormick) and for a vacancy on the editorial committee (Stan Ingersol, Tom Philips).

William Faupel reported on the joint WTS/Society for Pentecostal Studies meeting for the Spring of 1998. The theme will be: Purity and Power: Revisioning the Pentecostal/Charismatic Movement for the 21st Century. The meeting will follow the format of the SPS, opening with a worship service on Thursday featuring Dr. William Abraham. David Seamands and Hollis Goss will also be honored at that time. There will be five plenary sessions and six parallel sessions. A discussion panel is planned for Friday evening and the meeting will conclude on Saturday.

Donald Dayton, who represents the WTS at meetings of the Faith and Order Commission, presented a report of his activities on behalf of the WTS.

Sharon Pearson reported on the Wesleyan/Holiness Women Clergy Conference.

Wes Tracy expressed appreciation to Mt. Vernon Nazarene College for its sponsorship of this year's meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm.