The Official Board of Duke Memorial Church met on Tuesday evening, Feb. 5, at 7:45, with Dr. John Glasson, chairman, presiding. Following prayer by the Pastor, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Dozier, reporting for the Commission on Education, gave the date of the next family night as Feb. 24, at which time the five church choirs would render a program. She also said that on Feb. 7 the Week Day School would be visited by an accreditation committee from the State Department of Public Instruction.

The Treasurer's report for seven months ending Jan. 31, given by Mr. Jones, showed total receipts as \$49,179.85, total disbursements as \$51,747.61, and a cash balance of \$2,483.60. Also, during the month \$5,000 had been paid on benevolences.

Mr. Jones gave the building fund collections for January as \$9,075.00, bringing the cash balance to \$108,126.00.

Mr. Bradshaw announced that the Quarterly Conference would take place on April 9. He announced further that the District Lay Rally, an annual event of the Church, would be on Feb. 18 at 7:00 o'clock at the Durham Civic Center and that Bishop Garber and Nelson Gibson would be the speakers.

The Building Committee had held a meeting, according to Dr. Glasson, at which the changing of the playground and the building of the Memorial Street exit to the parking lot had been discussed. It was the opinion of the committee that most of the work should be done as a part of the main contract, though it was deemed advisable to construct a heavy concrete exit ready for use by trucks to go out Memorial Street rather than into Chapel Hill Street. Dr. Glasson reported that the architect was devoting full-time to our building and would be submitting working plans within the next ten days or two weeks.

Mr. Marshall Spears, Jr., called attention to the fact that there was a divergence of opinion among the church members regarding the Negro visitors to the Church and he suggested that there be a committee or commission to which statements could be directed. The discussion which followed encompassed varied feelings, though there was general agreement that our Church faced a situation which should be handled carefully and prayerfully. The motion that the matter be referred to the Commission on Social Concern and that any member of the Board or congregation might submit his conviction in writing to this group was made by Mr. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Dunham, and passed by the Board.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mr. Bishop.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Corbin, Secretary.

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