OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 8, 1966

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of Duke Memorial Methodist Church was held on November 8, 1966 at 7:45 P.M. in the Bradshaw Room of the church.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. C. E. Phillips, Jr., Vice-Chairman of the Board. Mr. Petteway, the Pastor, gave the devotional for the evening, reading from the first chapter of Romans. He spoke about the Christian's indebtedness and fear of debt, which often makes him settle for too little and miss the big things in life. He concluded the meditation with prayer.

By motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as recorded.

Mr. R. B. Reade, Church Treasurer, made his report for the first four months of the conference year, showing total receipts \$44,052.43 and total disbursements \$43,327.00; adding cash balances from July 1, 1966; leaving a net balance on October 31, 1966 of \$4,310.44.

Mr. C. J. Jones reported for the Building Fund, stating that receipts for October totaled \$145.00 and the cash balance on October 31, 1966 was \$3,614.07.

Mr. W. E. Whitford reported for the Commission on Education. He stated that a meeting had been held last month, and that the commission was still aiming toward the goal of 625 church school attendance. He expressed the feeling that the formation of new young adult classes would help to attain this goal. He also reported that Mr. Harold Lamm had accepted the chairmanship of the Day School Committee.

Mr. Jack Cliff, Chairman of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism, reported that his committee had met in October and he felt that the members were doing very good work. Thirty-six new members have come into the church since July 1st; 22 have been lost by transfer; 8 lost by death; a net gain of six.

Mrs. Cannon, Chairman of the Commission on Missions, announced that her committee would meet on Thursday evening, November 10, 1966.

Mr. Jack Cliff, reported for the Methodist Men in the absence of Mr. Horace Mansfield, and stated that the men are working on a supplement to the Church Directory published last year, and will have it ready for distribution in the near future.

Mr. Charles Chewning, Chairman of the Pastoral Relations Committee, stated that his committee is meeting and will make a report at a later date.

Miss Vensel, Director of Christian Education, made a report on church activities as follows:

- All adult church school classes are being visited to explain the new adult literature which will be available next September.
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- 3. There is splendid participation in M.Y.F. activities, and she feels that the educational, social and spiritual needs are being fulfilled.
- 4. Mrs. Cannon is giving a great deal of her time to re-organization of the church library, but there is a need for new books, and memorial or appreciation gifts for the library will be acceptable and very much appreciated.

Mrs. A. H. Borland announced that the W.S.C.S. would present a Christmas program at its meeting on Monday night, December 12th, and extended an invitation to the members of the Official Board to attend this meeting.

Mr. Petteway spoke briefly expressing his appreciation for the things being done by Duke Memorial people. He stated that the church program is going well, and he is pleased with the increase in church school attendance. He is convinced that Duke Memorial Church has the potential for doing great things; that we have wonderful days ahead; and asked that everyone make the most of these days. He announced the following schedule during the up-coming holidays:

November	24:	Thanksgiving Worship Service.
December	4:	Evening Service - "Youth For Christ Rally".
December	11:	Sunday afternoon Christmas Musicale.
December	18:	Christmas Play by young people.
December	24:	Candlelight Communion Service.
December	25:	Christmas Day Morning Worship Service.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with a benediction by Mr. Petteway.

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