

OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 1967

The Official Board of Duke Memorial Methodist Church met in regular session on June 6, 1967 at 7:45 P. M. in the Bradshaw Room. Mr. C. E. Phillips, Jr., Vice-Chairman, presided and Rev. W. B. Petteway opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved as recorded, by motion of Mr. Robert Pifer, seconded by Mr. Norwood Carroll.

Mr. R. B. Reade, Church Treasurer, made a financial report for eleven months ending May 31, 1967 as follows: Total Receipts \$120,719.59; Total Disbursements \$115,963.23; 1966 Cash Balances brought forward \$3,585.02; Total Cash Balance May 31, 1967, \$8,341.38. (A detailed copy of Mr. Reade's report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.) Mr. Reade stated that as of this date all conference obligations of the church have been paid in full, and during the month of June all church expenses will be met before the beginning of the new fiscal year.

At this point Mr. Petteway commended Mr. Reade for the excellent job he has done as Church Treasurer, and expressed appreciation for the tremendous amount of time he has given to this work. Mr. Petteway called the attention of the Board to the fact that the conference is calling for an earlier settlement of financial obligations each year as follows: 1967 settlement date is June 16th; 1968 settlement date will be June 6th; 1969 settlement date will be May 31st. He suggested that this is an item for consideration by the Finance Committee, as was pointed out at the last meeting of the Board.

Mr. C. J. Jones reported for the Building Fund as follows: Receipts during May \$468.95; Cash Balance May 31, 1967, \$5,104.64.

Dr. James W. Holsinger, Jr., Chairman of the Commission on Education, showed to the Board members the church school literature which will be available for use in adult classes beginning September 1, 1967.

Mr. Jack Cliff, Chairman of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism, stated that his committee had met in May, but would not meet again until September. However, visitation by the committee will continue during the summer months to any prospective church members.

Mr. Horace Mansfield, President of the Methodist Men, presented to the Board a project which had been endorsed by the Methodist Men for the publication of a church directory which would be a pictorial edition. This project had been explained briefly at the May meeting of the Board, but action was deferred at that time. Mr. Mansfield explained in detail the format of the directory and the mechanics required for making family and individual pictures to be included in this directory. As the publishing firm would realize the cost of its work by selling pictures to the individuals and families whose pictures were placed in the directory, there would be no cost to the church for this directory. However, it would involve a contract between the Official Board, representing the church, and the publishing firm. It was brought out further that anyone who did not have a picture in the directory would be required to purchase a directory at a cost of \$1.00 per copy. Mr. Mansfield made a motion that this project be adopted by the Official Board and that said Board enter into a contract with the publishing firm to proceed with this directory. The motion was seconded by General J. W. Holsinger. There was considerable discussion of the matter, after which a voice vote was taken, the result of which was a rejection of the project.

The Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church met in regular session on June 2, 1957 at 7:30 P.M. in the Assembly Room, 111 S. Phillips, St. Louis, Missouri. Present were: Wm. H. ...

The minutes of the May meeting were approved as recorded, by motion of Mr. ...

Mr. ... made a financial report for the year ending May 31, 1957 as follows: Total Receipts \$110,712.50; Total Disbursements \$112,831.17; 1957 Cash Balance brought forward \$3,121.33; 1957 Cash Balance May 31, 1957 \$3,312.66. (A detailed copy of Mr. ... report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.) Mr. ... stated that as of this date all conference obligations of the church have been paid in full, and during the month of June all church expenses will be met before the beginning of the new fiscal year.

At this point Mr. ... made for the excellent job he has done as church treasurer, and expressed appreciation for the amount of time he has given to his work. Mr. ... called the attention of the board to the fact that the conference is calling for an earlier date for the financial statements than is usual. The 1957 settlement date will be June 30, 1957 settlement date will be May 31. He suggested that this be an item for consideration by the Finance Committee, as was pointed out at the last meeting of the board.

Mr. ... reported for the Building Fund as follows: Receipts during May \$50,300.00; Cash Balance May 31, 1957 \$2,104.04.

Mr. ... Chairman of the Commission on Education, showed to the board members the church school directory which will be available for use in adult classes beginning September 1, 1957.

Mr. ... Chairman of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism, stated that the committee had met in St. Louis and would meet again in St. Louis, however, vacation by the committee will continue during the summer months to say prospective church members.

Mr. ... presented to the board a project which had been endorsed by the Methodist Board for the promotion of a church directory which would be a historical edition. This project had been explained briefly at the May meeting of the board, and action was deferred at that time. Mr. ... explained in detail the format of the directory and the need for a directory for asking family and individual churches to be included in this directory. He stated that the Methodist Board would realize the cost of the work by selling pictures to the churches and families whose pictures were placed in the directory. There would be no cost to the church for this directory. However, it would involve a purchase of the directory by the church, and the church would not have a directory until the directory was purchased. Mr. ... stated that this directory as a cost of \$100 per copy. Mr. ... made a motion that this project be approved by the Official Board and that said board make into a contract with the publishing firm to produce with this directory. The motion was approved. General W. ... stated that the board was considering the possibility of the board, after which a vote was taken, the result of which was a rejection of the project.

Mr. Jack Cliff reminded the Board that at the time the last directory was published the plan was to issue a supplement each year in order to keep the directory current. He suggested that this supplement be made after July 1, 1967 and stated that this could be done at very little cost to the church.

General J. W. Holsinger, Chairman of the Lay Personnel committee stated that he is making a study of the work of his committee and is writing a report on his findings.

Miss Vensel, Director of Christian Education, reported that of the twenty-two high school graduates from our church in the classes of 1967 there were thirteen who attended church services last Sunday morning, and that following the service the graduates and their parents enjoyed a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Mr. Jack Cliff called attention of the Board to the fact that Mr. Tom Coble had given much of his time in making colored slides of the church building showing conditions in and around the building, and these had proved to be very interesting and enlightening to the groups privileged to see them. Mr. Coble has done this at no expense to the church. Mr. Cliff made a motion that the Official Board express to Mr. Coble by letter its sincere appreciation for making these pictures available to us. This motion was seconded by Mr. W. T. Coman and it was so ordered that Mr. Teer, the Chairman, write such a letter.

Inasmuch as the date for the next meeting of the Official Board falls on July 4th, it was decided, by motion duly made and seconded, that the July meeting be held on the 11th of the month.

Mr. Petteway, the Pastor, spoke briefly to the Board expressing his appreciation and gratitude for the support given him during the past two years. He stated that he was proud of the accomplishments of Duke Memorial Church during this time and expressed a desire to serve the members of the church in any way possible at any time.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned and was dismissed with prayer by Mr. Petteway.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn T. Petty
Evelyn T. Petty, Secretary

