

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of Duke Memorial Methodist Church was held November 7, 1967, at 7:45 o'clock in the Bradshaw Room.

Mr. Marshall Spears, Jr., Vice-Chairman, presided and Mr. Husted gave the devotional.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as recorded.

Mr. C. J. Jones, in the absence of Mr. Bailey Reade, Treasurer, gave the following report: total receipts \$44,341.00; total expenses \$45,905.00; excess expenses over receipts \$1,564.00; cash brought forward July 1, 1967 \$6,125.00; present cash balance \$4,561.00. Amount paid to date on conference obligations this year \$10,628.00, balance to be paid \$31,096.00.

Dr. J. W. Holsinger, chairman for the Commission on Education, reported that eighty-four film strips were available for use from the church library. A list is available and the material had all been catalogued. He stated that the youth program was going along satisfactorily, in quality and attendance. The senior M.Y.F. will present a play on December 17.

The work in the Day School continued to be satisfactory. The Woman's Society of Christian Service has given a scholarship to a four year old child who is deserving of it and it is hoped that soon another child will be enrolled with a similar scholarship.

He announced that Family Night would be November 19 and the program had been planned for the children from The Children's Home in Raleigh to be here.

Mr. Alfred Williams, reporting for the Commission on Stewardship & Finance, stated that at their last meeting Dr. Charles E. Jordan called attention to the conditions which exist at the Chapel Hill Street exit of our parking lot, and had suggested that perhaps it would relieve the hazardous traffic situation if our entrance and exit were reversed.

Mr. Williams made the motion that the Chapel Hill Street driveway be changed to the entrance drive and that all cars leave the parking lot by way of Memorial Street and that the parking spaces be changed as soon as possible. The motion was seconded by Mr. Robert Pifer.

Mr. Jesse Cole suggested that the matter be given more thought.

Mr. Whitford reminded the Board that traffic coming from the west, down Chapel Hill Street would necessarily have to cross a double lane of on-coming traffic in order to enter our parking lot from Chapel Hill Street. Mr. E. W. Dunham made a substitute motion: That the committee appointed by the Commission on Stewardship & Finance (Mr. D. A. Sorrell, Chairman, Mr. W. Alfred Williams and Mr. C. J. Jones) take this matter up with the City Traffic Commissioner, Mr. Rudy Griffin, go over details thoroughly and bring the facts back to the Official Board at a later meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Jack Cliff reported that the Commission on Membership & Evangelism continued to have regular monthly meetings and continued with visitation. He announced that Dr. W. A. Kale, who will be speaking at our revival services sometime in the future, spoke to this Commission at a previous meeting and is expecting suggestions as to the types of sermons we would like to hear.

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Mr. Nicholas Fagan reported that the Methodist Men had an attendance of 50 at their last meeting which was very successful. They are having excellent speakers for these meetings. A Committee has been appointed to be responsible for the membership and attendance. He is expecting good results.

The work on the windows in the sanctuary continues. Mr. Howard said next year's work would fulfill our contract.

Mr. Whitford, reporting for the Building Committee, stated that the architect had been contacted but that he did not have anything definite to report at this time, but hopes to in the not too far future.

Mr. Petteway expressed his gratitude and thanks for serving our church and to be surrounded by members of our Official Board. He asked that each member of the Board do all he could to help our church.

He announced that the Board of Trustees had given permission for six men of the Alcoholic Anonymous to use a space in our church for this work. He expressed how impressed he was with the enthusiasm and faith these men put forth in this work. He expressed that if our Official Board had the interest to do what Alcoholic Anonymous is doing it would set the world on fire.

He stated that it is not enough in just to get members to enroll but we need to put our members to work in our church. Church work is never finished. He said that he feels we will ultimately do the job in the end.

Mr. Husted gave a report of his four months of service as Associate Pastor.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mr. Husted.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel Mae Kale, Secretary

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