MINUTES, APRIL MEETING, COMMISSION ON EDUCATION

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The regular meeting of the Commission on Education of Duke Memorial Church was held in the church parlor Friday evening, April 17, at 7:30 o'clock. Six members were in attendance. Mr. Whitford led the opening prayer.

Miss Johnson reported on work with the young people as follows: About 15 young people attended the spiritual life retreat held at Camp New Hope, and these young people and leaders felt this retreat most worthwhile. The Intermediate programs are improving; a picnic supper and skating party was held for this group in Raleigh and was quite a success. Recreation has been a concern with this group for some time. Some progress is being made in rearranging the intermediate assembly room for better use. Eleanor Cowan and Carolyn Lee represented our church at the Vocations Conference held at Smithfield recently. Miss Johnson asked that the church pay the registration fees for these two girls. This was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Seeley reported for the Children's Division: A need for the Primary Department is a pianist; the nursery group plans to meet soon to discuss plans growing out of the workshop held recently; Miss Rosa Cox is to come by to give suggestions for draperies in the division; plans are being made to have representatives at the Pfeiffer College Laboratory School which begin May 26; the Children's Division Meeting will be held in May.

Mr. Lyon spoke on the work in the Junior Department on raising money for the draperies. He said besides the money which was being brough by the children, there would be an outing at the Bird Sanctuary the following Saturday week to help bring in more funds.

Miss Johnson spoke of plans for family week, May 3-10, the first day of which is designated as Children's Day. It was decided that the Children's Day Service would be held at the regular evening church service on May 3, and that the offering at this service and at the Sunday School hour would be used for the Children's Building at Lake Junaluska. A committee was appointed to work with the Recreation Committee of the Church on further plans for Family Week. This committee was:

Mrs. T. S. Coble, Jr., Chairman; J. B. Lyon; Mrs. Fred Duncan; and Mrs. Alberta Lane.

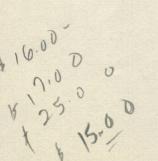
Mr. Whitford reported that on April 1 there was a balance in the treasury of \$1262.18.

It was reported that Mrs. Coble had secured Mrs. Robert Cox and Miss Mary Anna Howard to help with the Library work. Nothing definite had been decided on beginning a Leadership Training Class in the church.

Great concern was expressed regarding the attendance at the Commission meetings held the last several months, and it was thought wise to discuss a change in day for the meeting. It was decided to meet at the regular time in May and try to get a good attendance then so that this matter could be decided upon.

The meeting was closed with a prayer by Miss Johnson.

W. E. Whitford, Chairman



DUKE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH Durham, North Carolina

May 10, 1953

Dear Member of The Commission on Education:

This coming Friday, May 15, is the time for the May meeting of the Commission on Education. This will be held in the Church Parlor at 7:30 o'clock.

Our attendance has been poor at the last several meetings! Please plan now to come Friday. We will try again to decide on a better evening to have our meeting.

On the back of this letter you will find the minutes of the last meeting of the Commission. Please read carefully! Also please read the enclosure and note any suggestion which will be helpful in our own church or church school situation.* Be prepared to present this idea on Friday.

Help us have 100% attendance this meeting:

Sincerely,

Kathleene Cox, Secretary

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*This item carried over from another meeting.