The Duke Memorial Board of Christian Education met on June 23 with the following members present: Mr. Angier, Mr. Boddie, Mr. Whitford, Mr. Umstead, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Scott, and Mrs. Stone.

It was voted to continue to have the fifth Sunday opening service for the entire church school for the fifth Sunday in July. Suggestions made for this program included a statistical report by Mr. Whitford, a program based on the Bible school held in June, or the plays which were given by the children in the vacation Bible school. The group voted that Mr. Whitford and Miss Johnson confer and make the final decision.

In spite of the rain around 200 attended the family night picnic and everything went off well. It was voted to have another during the summer in July.

Approximately 104 students attended the vacation Bible school. There was a conflict between the Free Swim week put on by the city recreation department. Mrs. Scott who headed the Primary department for the school said that she had 15 to 33 children present. Her program book was excellent, and both teachers and children were most enthusiastic. The kindergarten was extremely crowded for the school while the juniors had the smallest number.

Mrs. Lee was asked to make a list of equipment needed for the playground and to list the approximate prices. Because of the crowded condition of the kindergarten another room has been opened on the second floor for the nursery department children. This makes two rooms for the nursery and two for the primaries on the second floor.

Concerning the proposed nursery school for this fall (to be held during the week) Mr. Boddie reported that he has been authorized by the Board of Stewards to get prices on the heating equipment for the education building. He is trying to get in all bids by the next meeting of the Board of Stewards and thinks that everything will be settled then. The money is available, and he suggested that the Board of Education go on with the plans and look for someone to head the school. The group also suggested that we might want to aim toward the eventual establishment of a first grade to help out those children whose birthdays fall at the wrong time for entering school.

Mr. Umstead reported that attendance has been holding up well. 650 is the largest for any one Sunday, but several have shown over 600.

Mrs. Lee still needs 2 9 by 12 mats. Has the Lillie Duke class been asked?
The question of an extended session for older children at the Sunday morning church hour was discussed. It was suggested that we work toward this for the early fall.

Mr. Angier reported that the balance June 1 was $302.33. $169.93 has been collected, leaving a balance of $472.26. No bills have yet been paid, but this will cover all of them.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 26.

Adjournment.

Mary Canada Stone
Secretary