

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE COMMISSION ON FINANCE  
DUKE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

December 5, 1956

A regular meeting of the Commission on Finance and Stewardship Education was held in the basement of the Church at 6:30 P. M. on Wednesday, December 5, 1956. Mr John Dozier acted as Chairman and R. B. Reade as Secretary. The following members were present:

S. J. Angier	C. J. Jones
Mrs A. H. Borland	John Perian
W. T. Coman	The Reverend Mr. Queen
John Dozier	R. B. Reade
E. W. Dunham	Marshall Spears, Sr.
Dr John Glasson	E. C. Brooks, Jr
Miss	

Also present by invitation: Mrs Glass

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Reporting on behalf of the Commission on Education, Mrs Glass stated that Mrs Floyd had resigned her position as Director and that she was calling upon the Commission on Finance to aid in seeking a suitable replacement. After full discussion, the Commission, upon motion of Mr Brooks, seconded by Mr Perian, and carried, <sup>authorized</sup> the Reverend Queen, in cooperation with the Commission on Education, to find a Director who would make a permanent contribution to the church with all salary arrangements to be made by him, at his discretion.

Mr Brooks then made a very comprehensive report on his Committee on Church Contributions, with special reference to the non-givers. He stated that there were approximately 535 heads of household who made some contribution for support, out of the 1338 names on the stewards list. He further stated that 189 heads of household gave no support whatsoever to the church, and that 262 families gave less than \$50.00 per year.

In order to correct the above deplorable situation, Mr Brooks made the following suggestions:

1. The names of those who make no contribution should be removed from the stewards lists.
2. More detailed information should be obtained from members when they are contacted by stewards
3. Each church member should sign his or her card individually

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4. Devise new cards to obtain predetermined information on a uniform basis
5. Train stewards as to the proper approach
6. Solicit aid of active church members to help stewards in the every member canvass

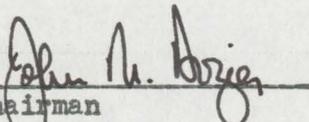
Consumating this very excellent report, the Chairman appointed Mr Dunham, Chairman, along with the Reverend Queen and one other member of their choice to form a Committee in order to plan and devise a check sheet to be presented to the stewards in order that they may obtain proper and worthwhile information from church members.

Mr Jones stated that the report of his Committee on the Relative Position of Duke Memorial Church was not yet complete and that the same would be furnished at a later date.

In closing the meeting, the Chairman stated that the information obtained by Mr Brooks and Mr Jones in their respective Committees, along with a suitable film strip, would be presented to the Methodist Men's Club at an early meeting, possibly in February.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was, upon motion, adjourned until 6:30 P. M., Wednesday, January 23, 1957, Dining Hall, Duke Memorial Methodist Church.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman