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

March 27,1963

A regular meeting of the Commission on Stewardship and Finance was held in the Dining Room of the Church at 6:00 o'clock P. M. on Wednesday, March 27,1963, with Chairman, Tom White presiding.

Members present were:

J. H. Barton
Reverend Bishop
Mrs N. D. Bitting
Mrs A. H. Borland
E. C. Brooks
Charles Chewning
J. H. Coman

Dr. John Glasson
Tom Goad
C. J. Jones
Mrs Arthur Kale
J. A. McLean
R. B. Reade
R. S. White

Tom White

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Reverend Mr. Bishop.

The treasurer's report by Mr. Jones showed an excess of disbursement over receipts amounting to \$2,392.09 as of February 28th,1963. A cash balance of \$5,051.36 carried over from June 30,1963, however, brought our present bank balance to \$2,659.27. Mr. Jones further stated that the sum of \$15,545.00 remained to be paid on benevolences, as this total at the beginning of the church year was \$27,545.00 pledged. On February 21,1963, the Building funds on hand totalled \$110,544.00. In concluding his remarks, the treasurer called to the attention of those present the fact that he had received a donation of \$50.00 which was authorized to be placed as a capital item to the credit of the building fund.

In reporting on the progress of new building construction, Dr. Glasson reported that the architects were being requested to complete final plans as quickly as possible so that they may be placed in the hands of a contractor who would be chosen by members of that committee. In addition, Mr. Coman stated that he had also been attempting to hasten completion of the plans and that he was well pleased with progress made to date so far as details were concerned. He again mentioned the fact that it was Mr. Teer's intention to take care of air conditioning installations and had su gested the use of a heat pump.

Mention was made of the fact that Mr. Howard had turned in an estimate of \$273.78 from Bernson as the cost of cleaning rugs in the sanctuary, with a total price of \$441.94 to clean balcony and stairs in addition. Since the matter of refinishing the communion table and stands was brought into the discussion, however, it was the opinion expressed by those present that the entire matter should be posponed until after the building program is over. As a final property committeematter, Mr. Barton was asked to see that all church pews are properly fastened to the floor.

The Chairman then suggested that Mr. Jones assume chairmanship of the budget committee to see that a new one is presented for approval at the next meeting. He was also asked to contact the heads of all church committees for an estimate of their needs for next year.

The Finance Commission was then adjourned for a full discussion of other matters pertaining to the welfare of the Church. During the course of this extended meeting, a motion was introduced by Mrs Borland, seconded by Mrs Bitting and approved by those present, that a special meeting of the Official Board be called at the time and discretion of the pastor in order that a full and complete discussion of those important matters might be taken place.

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Respectfully submitted,

R. B. Reade, Seretary