

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

February 21, 1968

A regular meeting of the Commission on Stewardship and Finance was held in the Fellowship Hall of the Church at 6:00 o'clock P. M. on Wednesday, February 21, 1968, with Chairman, J. A. McLean, presiding.

Members present were:

J. H. Barton	J. A. McLean
Mrs A. H. Borland	Reverend Mr. Petteway
E. C. Brooks	R. B. Reade
Dr. Fred Clark	D. A. Sorrell
Mrs Lois Fowler	Marshall T. Spears
General Holsinger	N. A. Thomas
C. J. Jones	Dillard Teer
Alfred Williams	

Following prayer by the pastor, minutes of the last meeting held on January 19, 1968 were read and, upon motion, approved.

The treasurer stated that as of the present date, church cash amounted to \$3,947.67 (after payment of an addition \$10M on conference obligations), Day School cash was \$2,281.05, and the balance on the Building Fund savings account amounted to \$5,298.00.

Upon motion of Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Thomas, and carried, prior purchase of an addressograph multigraph machine costing approximately \$1,750.00 was approved. Since the purchase was a capital addition to office equipment, it was understood that the treasury would be reimbursed by the Memorial Fund, as indicated during the last meeting of the Fund.

The Chairman read a letter from Mr. Allan Norton who had suggested that this Committee consider and take action on a proposal for the church to sponsor and conduct an Open House in which coffee would be served and entertainment in the form of folk singing would be offered to prospective church members. After full discussion, the Committee, upon motion of Mr. Spears seconded by Mr Jones, and carried, indefinitely deferred action on the proposal.

A letter from Reverend C. P. Morris of the Methodist Board of Education, requesting that a camp crusade committee be appointed by officials of this church, was then presented by the Chairman. Purpose of the committee would be to create and develop church camps in the area, particularly Camp Chestnut Ridge. After a motion offered by Mr. Brooks declining acceptance of the suggestion due to the fact that our obligation to Methodist Colleges in the state has not yet been fulfilled, participation in the program was declined. Mr. Brooks' motion, duly seconded by Mr. Teer, instructed the Chairman to inform the Reverend Mr. Morris by letter of our refusal to pursue this project at the present time.

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A request by Mr. James W. Holsinger, Jr. that an additional baby-sitter be employed for service during the Sunday Morning worship hour was approved.

Acting on behalf of the church membership, the pastor reported that he and Mrs Fowler had presented to Bishop Garber a lover gift of \$50.00. Presentation of such a gift was approved after a motion by Mr. Spears, and seconded by Mr. Jones.

The Chairman stated that officials of the church office had mentioned to him several reasons why this church should not adopt an eleven months year to begin July 1, 1968, and, after discussion, it was a consensus of opinion that action on the proposal which had been approved during the meeting held on January 19th should now be rescinded.

There followed a full and complete discussion of the budget for the new year to begin July 1, 1968/69. Preliminary figures presented by the treasurer showed the following changes from a budget of \$136,844.00 which had been approved for the previous year:

<u>SALARIES</u>	1967/68	1968/69	
Mrs Beth May, Secretary	\$4,000.00	\$4,200.00	
Mrs Bartholomew	3,600.00	3,900.00	
Mrs Linthicum	1,500.00	1,650.00	
Mr. Petteway	10,600.00	11,000.00	
Mr. Husted	1,500.00	1,650.00	
 <u>WAGES</u>			
Mr. Beard (\$66)	3,452.00	3,900.00	(\$75)
Add'l Baby-Sitter	182.00	182.00	(3.50)
 <u>MUSIC</u>			
	1,830.00	1,480.00	
 <u>CHURCH SCHOOL</u>			
	7,180.00	7,140.00	
 <u>COLLEGE FUND</u>			
	6,000.00	4,000.00	
 <u>PARSONAGE DEBT</u>			
	1,200.00	.00	
 <u>BUILDING FUND</u>			
To be paid by membership		13,000.00	

All of the above changes, plus minor adjustments in both receipts and other disbursements, caused a decrease of \$786.00 in pledges for the regular church operations from \$110,7M to \$109,9M. After allowance for \$13M in pledges allocated to the building fund, total pledges increased from \$110.7M to \$122,9M.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned after prayer by the pastor.