

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DUKE MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
10 NOVEMBER 1992 - CHURCH LIBRARY

RANDOLPH FEW, CHAIRMAN, PRESIDING

I. ATTENDANCE. The following named individuals met in the Library of Duke Memorial United Methodist Church, 10 November 1992, to discuss matters indicated below concerning property of the Church:

Randolph Few, Chairman
Dr. Fred Clark
Patricia Coman
Dan K. Edwards
Ken Howard
Sarah McCracken
Rev. Mark Wethington
Alfred Williams
Grace C. Boddie

II. INVOCATION. Rev. Wethington offered a prayer of supplication.

III. DISCUSSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

A. Insurance on Church Property. The Chairman indicated that there is an umbrella policy of \$500,000 on the Sanctuary and on the Church Van, and that negotiations are underway to increase each of these to \$1 million. The Church parsonage is now insured for \$135,000 and the amount of this policy is being increased to \$170,000. This structure is now being offered for sale at approximately \$200,000. There are two (2) good prospects considering the Parsonage now. The consensus of the Board was that a sale of the property is much preferred over renting.

An increase is being negotiated to the amount of coverage of insurance on the stained glass windows to approximately \$500,000.

Theft insurance for the Church is being increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000. This covers the silver Communion Service.

The total increase in premium payment to cover each of the above is expected to be approximately \$218/year. The term the increase will cover extends through 27 July 1993.

B. Roof Damage. The Company repairing the Church's roof recently experienced a flash rain while working, which damaged two (2) classrooms. This has been reported to the insurance adjuster, and the Roofing Company, Pickard, has agreed to assume full responsibility. Work on the roof is now complete.

C. Society of St. Andrew. Rev. Wethington reported that Susan Clark, who heads this Society in Durham recently approached him about space for an administration office of the Society in Duke Memorial. The Society's purpose is to help alleviate hunger by gleaning. This segment of the Society focuses on hunger in Virginia and North Carolina.

The results of the gleanings are taken to the Soup Kitchen and other places in need of food. Rev. Wethington stated that this is an ecumenical ministry, not just a Methodist effort, which is well respected throughout the United States.

There was preliminary discussion of space in the Church that perhaps could be made available. The choir storage room was mentioned, but the air supply to the room would have to be checked, as well as other accommodations.

The Board's response to Rev. Wethington was that we are interested in helping the Society of St. Andrew; we will look into possible space and will consider the request of the Society at our next meeting.


D. Vice Chairman. Dr. Fred Clark agreed to serve as Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

E. Classrooms of Children 2-5 Years Old. The Chairman stated that the teachers of these classes have indicated a need for many essential items to update the space and the toys for these children in an approximate amount of \$2,000. The Treasurer of the Memorial Fund responded to the request by indicating that funds in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 will be made available for this purpose.

F. Parking Lot Fence. Mr. Howard indicated that a portion of the fence of the Parking Lot has been damaged, and that Mr. Olive has agreed to have the damage repaired; however, it was felt that someone should follow-up on this with Mr. Olive.

G. Memorial Street. Rev. Wethington indicated that there has been some talk concerning the closing of Memorial Street. Some discussion ensued, but there was general agreement that this would not only be a problem, but would in itself create many other problems, most of which would not be desirable.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20p.


Grace C. Boddie, Secretary

Concur:

Randolph Few, Chairman