

The purpose of the proposed journal was adopted as follows:

1. To serve as a medium of intellectual exchange among scholars of Wesleyan persuasion.
2. To present the fruits of Wesleyan scholarship to the scholarly world at large.
3. To offer a means of theological dialog with that wider world.

The following basic proposals were then agreed upon:

1. That there be an editorial board consisting of an equal number of representatives (possibly two) from each of the four participating agencies: Wesleyan Theological Society, Asbury Theological Seminary, Western Evangelical Seminary and Nazarene Theological Seminary, plus an editor and a book review editor.

2. That the editor and the book review editor be appointed by the board (but not necessarily from their number) to serve for a period of four years.

3. That the representatives be selected on a four-year basis and from different disciplines to give diversity of viewpoint, and that some sort of rotation formula be worked out to achieve this desired mix.

4. That the periodical be published quarterly, or possibly three times a year.

5. That in format it be a 96-page volume, perfect bound (square back, paper).

6. That the editorial board serve as a panel of judges of the material to be published and that no article be published without the endorsement of the editor and at least two members of the board.

7. That the board meet annually to receive the report of the editor and to set up the basic content of the forthcoming issues.

8. That provision be made for the inclusion of freelance material as well as assigned articles.

9. That the content of each issue be somewhat as follows:

- a. Three or four scholarly articles by persons of Wesleyan persuasion.

- b. Critiques of selected articles either in the current issue or an earlier one, these from both within and without the Wesleyan tradition, some invited, and some gleaned from reader response.

- c. Short notes--more or less informal articles, comments, critiques, and questions, not accompanied by the usual scholarly paraphernalia.

- d. Book reviews from a frankly Wesleyan viewpoint covering the whole range of theological scholarship, some solicited, some freelance. Certain books would be given multiple reviews.

- e. Critical reviews of holiness classics of the past to acquaint newer Wesleyans and non-Wesleyans with the literature of our heritage.

10. That vacancies on the board be filled by the former incumbent's sponsoring agency.

On the matter of financing the project, three possible sources of revenue were suggested, one or more of which could be employed: (1) subscriptions; (2) underwriting by sponsoring agencies, and (3) promotional programs within the various constituencies. No firm subscription price was suggested since cost estimates were not available, but assuming 96 pages, published quarterly, with a sale of 3,000 copies per issue, a \$5.00 per year rate was considered feasible.

A local committee consisting of W. T. Purkiser, Willard Taylor and Fred Parker was authorized to put together the details of the above proposals into some form for presentation to the governing groups of the institutions involved.

Appreciation was expressed to the Nazarene Publishing House for arranging and underwriting the cost of this exploratory meeting.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

J. Fred Parker, Secretary