

The Presbyterian Church of Barrington

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Session
held October 1, 1962

A Regular Meeting of the Session was held at the Manse, 808 Lill Street, Barrington, Illinois, on Monday, October 1, 1962, at 8:00 o'clock P.M.

The following Elders were present:

Carl Knipp	Norman Tucker
Jack Train	Hal Wilson
Ralph Johnson	Earl Norstrom
Gordon Monsen	Charles Board
Leslie Gleason	

The following Elders were absent:

Donald Thomas
Henry Beard
Fred Keilholz

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Pastor.

The following persons were applicants for membership in the Church:

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Westervelt Flato (Mrs. Shelley Blount Flato) -
By Letter of Transfer

Mr. and Mrs. J. William Hunt (Mrs. Joyce Cook Hunt) -
By Letter of Transfer

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Arnold Belnap -
By Letter of Transfer

Mrs. Martha Vander Laan Forrester -
By Letter of Transfer

Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Johnson (Mrs. Ruth Elizabeth Johnson)
and Janet Johnson - Reaffirmation of Faith

Hal Wilson moved that the above named applicants be accepted into membership in this Church. The motion was seconded by Carl Knipp and unanimously adopted.

Wendell Fentress, Chairman of the Committee consisting of himself, Charles W. Board, Wilbur S. Edwards, Leo Lyons and Herbert Smith, which was appointed to prepare and submit to the Session recommendations concerning the organization of the Board of Trustees of the Church and the powers and responsibilities to be delegated to that Board when and if created submitted the following report to the meeting:

"The Committee recommends to the Session that it, as the duly constituted Session and Board of Trustees, adopt promptly resolutions amending the By-Laws of the Board of Trustees as set forth below:

Resolved that effective immediately Section 1 of Article I of the By-Laws of the Board of Trustees be amended by changing the number of Trustees from three to twelve to conform with the action of the Congregation in electing twelve Trustees.

Resolved further that effective as of the convening of the annual meeting of the Congregation, to be held in 1963, the By-Laws of the Board of Trustees be amended in the following respects:

Section 1 of Article I is amended to read as follows:

'Section 1. The management of the affairs of the Church Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, consisting of nine Trustees elected by the Congregation from among the adult members of this Church. No person shall serve as a Trustee and at the same time as a member of the Session.'

Section 2 of Article I is amended to read as follows:

'Section 2. Nine Trustees shall be elected by the Congregation at the annual meeting in

1963, three to serve until the annual meeting in 1964, three to serve until 1965, and three to serve until 1966. Each Trustee shall serve until his successor has been duly elected. At each annual meeting subsequent to 1963, the Congregation shall elect three Trustees to serve, each to serve for a term of three years to fill the vacancies resulting from the three terms then expiring. The Congregation shall also fill any other vacancy or vacancies in the Board of Trustees and the member elected to fill any such vacancy shall serve for the unexpired term of the former incumbent. Each Trustee's term shall commence upon his election. Trustees elected shall be promptly recognized at a service of worship and set apart to the discharge of their responsibilities by prayer.'

Section 3 of Article I is amended by deleting: 'and keep the minutes of such meetings.'

New Sections 4 and 5 are added to Article I, reading as follows:

'Section 4. The Stated Clerk, or, in his absence, the Assistant Stated Clerk, shall attend all meetings of the Board of Trustees and shall keep the minutes thereof. In the absence of both the Stated Clerk and the Assistant Stated Clerk, the Board of Trustees shall designate one of its members to keep the minutes of the meeting.'

'Section 5. Vacancies in the Board of Trustees shall be reported promptly to the Session with a recommendation to it as to the advisability of calling a special meeting of the Congregation to fill the vacancy. In the event the Session deems it advisable to call a special meeting to fill any vacancy, or vacancies, the member elected to fill any such vacancy shall serve for the unexpired term of the former incumbent.'

Section 5 of Article II is amended by striking out: 'A majority of the Board of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum', and substituting in lieu thereof: 'Five Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.'

Section 1 of Article III is amended by changing the period at the end thereof to a comma, and by adding at the end thereof:

'and provided further that no such amendment shall become effective unless and until ratified by the Session either at a special meeting thereof, notice of which included action on such proposed amendment, or at a regular meeting thereof.'

"The Chairman recommends to the Session that it adopt promptly the resolutions set forth below, which by their terms are to become effective upon election of the new separate Board of Trustees at the annual meeting of the Congregation to be held in 1963:

Resolved that, effective immediately upon the election of the new separate Board of Trustees by the Congregation of this Church at the annual meeting thereof to be held in 1963, the separate Board of Trustees be, and it hereby is, vested by the Session with the following general powers and duties:

1. To receive, hold and transfer property, in the name of this Church, including the investment and reinvestment of permanent funds entrusted to it, being subject always to the authority and instructions of the Session and of the Congregation.
2. To exercise all other powers or authorities vested in it by the laws of the State of Illinois, in conformity with the actions of the Session as conveyed to it from time to time, and to perform such other duties relating to the property or finances of the Church as may be delegated to it by the Session at any time and from time to time.
3. To submit a financial statement of all matters committed to it and a report of its proceedings to the session for review at least once a year and at other times upon request of the Session

Resolved further that, effective immediately upon the election of the new separate Board of Trustees by the Congregation of this Church, that pursuant to the general powers and duties set forth in the immediately preceding resolution, the Session hereby charges such new separate Board of Trustees with the following additional duties and grants

it the powers necessary to the performance thereof:

- A. The responsibility for the maintenance, care, upkeep and supervision of the initial unit of the church building, when completed, as well as the grounds and other physical assets of the Church.
- B. The responsibility for the annual operating budget, the conduct of the every-member canvass, and the control and supervision of the finances of the Church, exclusive of building funds.
- C. The annual operating budget shall be subject to approval by the Session prior to its submission to the Congregation by a member of the Board of Trustees.

Resolved further that (a) the foregoing delegation of powers, duties and responsibilities to the Board of Trustees may be modified, revoked or rescinded by the Session, in whole or in part, at any time, effective upon written notice to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, (b) that the execution of the foregoing powers and duties by the Board of Trustees shall be subject to such supervision by the Session as the Session may at any time provide, and (c) that such delegation is neither intended to, nor shall, deprive the Session of any of its powers; and the Session expressly reserves unto itself the right to exercise at any time any and all of its powers, including any delegated to the Board of Trustees, to the extent it may deem it advisable; provided, however, that such delegated powers shall not be exercised by the Session unreasonably and the Session shall keep the Board of Trustees fully informed thereof.

Respectfully submitted, . . .

Charles Boand
Wilbur Edwards
Leo Lyons
Herbert Smith
Wendell Fentress, Chairman"

Upon motion of Leslie Gleason, seconded by Earl Norstrom, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the report of the Committee be hereby approved and each of the resolutions set forth therein be hereby adopted.

It was the sense of the Session that the Committee be thanked for the splendid work and that the Stated Clerk so advise the members of the Committee that the report was adopted in its entirety.

The minutes of the meeting of the Session of September 1962 were read and approved.

The Pastor made a Report on his activities during the month of September.

Reports of Committees

Worship - Carl Knipp reported that more members desired participate in the Choir.

Average attendance for September, 1962 - 112;
September, 1961 - 87.

Christian Education - Leslie Gleason reported that the Savidges and the Rummels were to be the advisers of the High School Youth Group.

On motion of Leslie Gleason, seconded by Carl Knipp, the appointment of the Savidges and Rummels as advisers of the High School Youth Group was unanimously ratified.

Jack Train requested the members of the Building Committee to suggest to that Committee that it commence promptly a study looking toward the preparation of the premises in the initial unit of the Church Building for use by the Church School at the earliest practicable date.

Jack Train also stated that additional space was needed at the Countryside School for the Church School.

Upon motion of Ralph Johnson, seconded by Jack Train, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Stewardship Committee be authorized to arrange for additional space for the Church School at the Countryside School on a monthly basis and to arrange for the modification of the lease on the Auditorium to a monthly basis, all commencing as of October 1, 1962.

The Pastor recommended that a special meeting of the Session be held before the Sunday Service on October 7, 1962 to receive applicants as members of the Church.

Upon motion of Ralph Johnson, seconded by Gordon Monsen, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that a special meeting of the Session be held Sunday, October 7, 1962, at 10:15 A.M., at the Countryside School to receive new members.

Stewardship - Norman Tucker reported that Richard Savidge and Fred Lacock had agreed to act as Co-Chairmen of the Every-Member Canvass.

Hal Wilson requested each Elder to suggest two members of the Congregation as Canvassers in the Every-Member Canvass.

Receipts through September 23, 1962 were \$1,800 behind last year as of the same time.

Hal Wilson reported that on September 25, 1962 this Church made a payment of \$3,342.76 to the Church Extension Board of The Presbytery of Chicago, the first of 60 such payments to be made on the \$175,000 5 1/2% first mortgage loan by the Church Extension Board from The First National Bank and Trust Company of Barrington. The cash balance remaining in the Building Fund is approximately \$4,000 as of September 23, 1962.

This concluded the Reports of the Committees.

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously approved, the following were elected as the members from the Session of the Nominating Committee:

Carl Knipp, Chairman

Jack Train

Ralph Johnson reported on the meeting held by the Committee created by the Session to review with the Presbytery the procedure for reviewing the Minister's salary.

Present:

Don Thomas)
Ralph Johnson) The Committee
Charles Board)

Paul Winchester

Donald Zimmerman) From the Presby
Charles Shangler)

The unanimous view was that a small group from the Session meet with the Pastor and review the salary situation and report back to the Session.

It was unanimously agreed that this matter is one which should be brought before the Congregation except as a part of the overall budget to be approved it.

On motion of Hal Wilson, seconded by Earl Norstrom, the foregoing report was unanimously approved.

On motion of Earl Norstrom, seconded by Jack Train, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Stewardship Committee be authorized to confer with the Pastor in respect of his salary.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 A.M. with prayer by Pastor.

Charles W. Board
Charles W. Board - Stated