

The Presbyterian Church of Barrington

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Session  
held April 2, 1962

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A Regular Meeting of the Session was held at the Manse, 808 Lill Street, Barrington, Illinois, on Monday, April 2, 1962, at 8:00 o'clock P.M.

The following Elders were present:

Fred Keilholz	Norman Tucker
Donald Thomas	Earl Norstrom
Ralph Johnson	Charles Board
Leslie Gleason	

The following had been excused:

Hal Wilson

The following were absent:

Jack Train  
Gordon Monsen  
Carl Knipp  
Henry Beard

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Reverend Paul Winchester.

Minutes of meetings of the Session held March 5, 1962 and March 19, 1962 were read, corrected and approved.

The Stated Clerk read to the Session the letter from Wilbur S. Edwards, former Stated Clerk, to the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Chicago, in respect of the validity of the action taken at the last annual meeting of the Congregation, and the favorable reply of the Reverend Herbert N. Brockway, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery.

The Reverend Winchester stated that he was satisfied that the correct question had been asked and with the answer as he had received a similar answer from the Stated Clerk at the General Assembly.

It was the consensus of the meeting that the letter of inquiry and reply be filed in the minute book of Congregational minutes immediately following minutes of the last Annual Meeting of the Congregation. The Stated Clerk delivered the letter of inquiry and reply to the Pastor, who stated that he would file them in the minute book.

The Stated Clerk then read to the Session letter addressed to him from Dwight Ingram dated March 7, 1962 in connection with the negative answer in our Annual Report to the question regarding the salary of the Minister. He reported that he had shown the letter to Wilbur Edwards, former Stated Clerk, who had informed him that the report had been prepared by the Reverend Winchester and submitted to him for signature; that he felt the answer to this question should have been "yes" but that he failed to notice it at the time he signed the report. He stated that a similar inquiry had been received last year in respect of the previous Annual Report. There was considerable discussion in connection with this letter by the Reverend Winchester and the members of the Session, after which, on motion by Ralph Johnson, seconded by Donald Thomas, it was unanimously resolved that the Stated Clerk should acknowledge the letter and state that the Session feels it has met and reviewed the salary of the Minister at a regular Session meeting, the Minister having excused himself for the purpose.

Norman Tucker moved that a Committee of the Session consisting of the Pastor meet with representatives of the Presbytery and review the procedure for the annual review of the Pastor's salary and that the Committee of the Session be composed of the following Elders:

Charles Boand  
Donald Thomas  
Ralph Johnson

The motion was seconded by Leslie Gleason and unanimously adopted.

The Stated Clerk then presented to the Session a letter dated March 8, 1962, addressed to Pastors and Stated Clerks of the Presbytery of Chicago in respect of recruiting for the ministry. This letter was referred to the Committee on Christian Education for study and report.

Leslie Gleason, Chairman of the Christian Education Committee, reported that the average attendance in March, 1962 was 69 per session out of a total enrollment of 135.

Mr. Gleason moved that in conformity with past practice the Church pay the fees of any children of members of the Church desiring to attend Presbyterian Camps and Conferences this summer.

This was seconded by Norman Tucker and the motion was unanimously adopted.

On motion by Donald Thomas, seconded by Earl Norstrom, it was unanimously resolved that Leslie Gleason be authorized to rent such additional space at the Countryside School as may be needed to take care of requirements of the Church School.

Mr. Gleason further reported on the discussion group being conducted each Sunday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 A.M. during the Lenten season as previously authorized.

Donald Thomas, Chairman of the Stewardship Committee, reported on the audit being conducted by Elder Eldred Gough and Member Ted Weymouth.

Norman Tucker, a member of the Committee, reported on the study conducted by the Committee as recommended by Charles Board at the meeting of March 5, 1962. He reported that receipts this year are approximately at the same rate during the first quarter as they were during the first quarter of last year and that there is no indication in the figures of an adverse trend in receipts.

Ralph Johnson, Chairman of the Membership Committee, requested that the following be recorded in the minutes:

Alfred John Borah, Jr., born October 4, 1961, was baptized on Sunday, March 25, 1962.

Henry Beard, Chairman of the Worship Committee, reported on plans for music on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

Ralph Johnson, Secretary of the Building Committee, suggested Saturday, April 14, 1962, at 12:00 o'clock noon, as the time of the ground breaking for the new Church building. He stated that the Committee desired authority to prepare and release news of the ground breaking and advise the Congregation of it. He said that the Building Committee desired the Session, certain representatives from the Presbytery and such members as care to attend to be present at the ground breaking in addition to the Building Committee.

On motion of Henry Beard, seconded by Donald Thomas, it was unanimously resolved that the Building Committee be authorized to arrange for the ground breaking on April 14, 1962, to prepare and release news in respect of it, to advise the Congregation of the time and date, to hire a professional photographer to take pictures and to take care of any other arrangements.

On motion of Charles Board, seconded by Donald Thomas, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that this Church execute such documents as may be necessary to indicate its consent and agreement to the Building Contract to be entered into between the Church Extension Board of The Presbytery of Chicago and Kenneth P. Johnson d/b/a Kenneth P. Johnson Co., as the contractor, for the construction of a Sanctuary, Loggia, and partially complete Administrative Wing for approximately \$240,000, with options available to the Church Extension Board for

additional construction, such documents to be executed by such representative or representatives of the Church as the Church Extension Board may require.

On motion by Norman Tucker, seconded by Henry Beard, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that at least \$10,000 of the \$240,000 cost of the initial Church structure be paid for out of Memorials received by the Church;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that \$20,000 of the interest to accrue in respect of the debt financing in respect of the Church structure be paid out of current operating funds;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a commitment be obtained locally from a financial institution for a \$175,000 five-year first mortgage loan to the Church Extension Board of the Presbytery of Chicago, the proceeds of which are to be applied toward the construction of the initial unit of the Church.

On motion of Charles Boand, seconded by Donald Thomas, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that benevolences not be paid on that portion of current operating receipts applied to payment of interest or principal of long-term obligations of the Church effective as of January 1, 1962.

The Stated Clerk reported that, as a result of a conference with Reverend Winchester, it had been determined that the committee designated to prepare and submit a report to the session in respect of the organization of the Board of Trustees and the powers and responsibilities to be delegated to it be the same as the Church Structure Committee composed of the following:

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

On motion of Leslie Gleason, seconded by Norman Tucker, this Committee appointment was confirmed and the Chairman of the Committee was authorized to fill any vacancy resulting from any member being unable to serve.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 P.M. with prayer by the Reverend Winchester.

  
Charles W. Board - Stated Clerk