

Meeting of the Official Board of the Church called pursuant to notice, at the Church, 19th and Green Streets, Philadelphia, on Monday, June 19, 1951, at 8 P.M.

There were present: Rev. W. S. Bragg, presiding; Bros, Alexander, Bogdan, Krause, Hollahan, Elders; Bros. Griffith, MacPherson, Day, Valentine, Lanham, Heintz, W. Hepworth, McAnney, A. Clark, R. Lafferty, Sisters M. Griffin, Emma Zehner, M. Nethery and C. M. Payne

There were absent, Bro. George McKinley.

The Pastor stated that before the matter of the Home was discussed he had two or three matters he would like to present:

First, he understood that Rachel VanMeter was contemplating going as a missionary to the field, and he wondered whether we should inquire as to whether we could do anything for her.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was agreed that the Pastor contact Rachel VanMeter by letter and investigate the possibilities of her going to the mission field, or where she might be going.

The Pastor presented the matter of a printed or mimeographed bulletin to be distributed in various neighborhoods in order to reach the people, stating that he had six people in mind to ask to work on this venture if the Board approved.

Bro. Thomas Griffith suggested that it be done in a professional way.

No one offered any objection.

The Pastor then presented the matter of the Home and said he had not been satisfied that the church membership knew what was involved, stating that that was not the only objective or goal we have. He then stated that a colored man had contacted him asking if Highway would accept an offer to purchase the Church. He also asked whether the Trustees would be interested in having a white man come to look at the church.

No one seemed to feel this was the time to do anything about the sale of Highway.

General discussion with reference to plans, ways and means of securing money for the purchase of Highway Home for the Aged, as well as applicants, etc.

Bro. Lafferty made a motion that when we come together on Monday June 25th, that the Church be tested to see if 300 people will vote to pledge \$100 each. This motion was seconded, but not carried.

Further general discussion was had.

Bro Krause then moved that when we come together on Monday

night, June 25th, we ascertain how far the church will back the Home; then let the Board of Directors present the various means they have in mind of raising the amount of money necessary to finance the proposition." This motion was seconded and carried.

The Pastor appointed Brso. Hollahan, Clarke and Valentine as a Committee to investigate the West Philadelphia Branch Church under consideration. The Pastor requested that a copy of the By-Laws of Home be mailed to each member of the church before June 25th, 1951. On motion the meeting adjourned.

Clara M. Payrol

Church Clerk