

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

March 1, 1971 3:30 P.M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt, R. L. Jacobs

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

D. C. LUDINGTON, M. D. - RELEASE

AGREED, To inform the General Conference that we with regret must release D. C. Ludington, Jr., M. D., presently completing a residency in orthopedics in Louisville, Kentucky, since we have no opening for him within the Division due to his speciality and to his educational problems.

JACK BOHANNON - EXPENSE REPORT

AGREED, To approve the expense report presented by Jack Bohannon for his trip to Shiraz, Iran to sell and ship his personal effects, but to record our opinion that the report is very unusual in respect to amount and nature of items reported. Mrs. Bohannon's travel was not authorized, and therefore the travel expense is considered personal.

DEPRECIATION ADVANCES - E. J. GREGG, & J. W. WHITEHOUSE

AGREED, To advance to E. J. Gregg and J. W. Whitehouse the equivalent of two-years automobile depreciation for the purchase of automobiles.

ARABIC HYMNAL - COMMITTEE REPORT

AGREED, To record the decision of the Arabic Hymnal Committee to the effect that the time is not opportune to publish a new Arabic Hymnal.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary Pro tem

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

March 4, 1971 Beirut, Lebanon

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,
E. J. Grebb

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

BISHARA AZIA - SALARY ARRANGEMENT

VOTED, To authorize the treasury department to accept monthly charges from Ethiopia for the salary of Bishara Aziz who is employed there on a salary provision provided for a Section II worker, his rate to be according to policy. This arrangement to continue only through 1971.

ACCOUNTING MACHING ROOM - PROVISION FOR

VOTED, To authorize the remodelling of the first floor men's washroom to provide for an accounting machine room.

DIVISION COUNCIL - ACCOMODATIONS, ETC. FOR

VOTED, That M. E. Lind, R. L. Jacobs, and C. E. Schmidt be authorized to look into the matter of accommodations, etc. for the Division Council to be held in the Beirut area.

MARTHA HORN - SALARY RATE

VOTED, To set salary rate for Martha Horn at 84%.

GATEKEEPERS - RENT INCREASE DENIED

AGREED, To advise the gatekeepers that in view of prevailing rates it is regretted that no increase can be granted in respect to increased rent costs.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

March 8, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

O. C. BJERKAN - INVITATION MIDYEAR COMMITTEE

AGREED, That Dr. O. C. Bjerkan be invited to attend the mid-year committee meetings.

RON BETTLE, M.D. - DEFERRED APPOINTMENT

AGREED, That Dr. Ron Bettle be placed on deferred appointment for medical service in the Afro-Mideast Division.

MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE BOARD DATE

AGREED, That the Middle East College Board meet on Sunday, May 9, 1971 at 2:00 P.M.

G. BEDELLIAN - EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCE

AGREED, That a special educational allowance of LL 25.00 per month be paid to G. Bedellian.

N. SEENYEN - MOVING ALLOWANCES

RECOMMENDED, That N. Seenyen be granted an outfitting allowance of \$400.00 and a freight allowance of 3,600 lbs if he is coming Class A, or 1,800 lbs if Class B, provided this meets the thinking of the officers of the EAU.

EU - VOICE OF YOUTH SERMONS

RECOMMENDED, That assistance be granted from Evangelistic Funds to the extent of 50% of the cost of Voice of Youth tracts for Ethiopia, the total being E\$ 500.00.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

March 15 Beirut, Lebanon

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,
E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

DIVISION COUNCIL & COMMITTEE - DATES

AGREED, That the Division Council convene at 10 A. M. Thursday, October 28, 1971, and continue through Monday, November 1, with the Division yearend meetings commencing Tuesday morning, November 2.

DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARIES - MEETING WITH OFFICERS

AGREED, That a Council of Division Departmental Secretaries and officers of the Division be held September 30, 1971.

DIVISION YEAREND COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

AGREED, to adopt the following schedule for yearend committees:

Officers and Union Presidents - Tuesday, November 2

Middle East College Board - Thursday, November 3

BURSARY STUDENTS - SPONSORSHIP

AGREED, To adopt the following plan for giving aid to the bursary students now studying in the United States:

George Khoury - Division
 Samir Shahin - $\frac{1}{2}$ by Division
 $\frac{1}{2}$ by East Med. Field
 Issa Kharma - EMF - Lebanon Section
 Henry Melki - Middle East College

HOLIDAY TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

AGREED, That the matter of special holiday travel allowances for workers at Heri be discontinued inasmuch as this was not covered by Division policy, and that the entire subject of assistance granted to workers located in isolated areas be studied.

LISSO, T. R. - SALARY

AGREED, That the AMD re-affirm the agreement of the officers with the TU officers to accept charges from the TU for the salary of T. R. Lisso for a period of three months. No other expenses and allowances are to be paid. It is also recommended that the members of the TU committee have a recommendation for the consideration of the Division midyear committee meeting.

SALARY BONUS - INTER-UNION WORKERS

VOTED, To recommend to the AMD Policy Committee the proposed policy on salary bonus and transfer of funds for inter-union workers.

R. H. HENNING - ATTEND TRI-DIVISION PUBLISHING COUNCIL

AGREED, That R. H. Henning be authorized to attend the Tri-Division Publishing Council to be held in Stockholm in August. It is understood that the cost of this trip be a charge against his regular budget.

POWER OF ATTORNEY - AUTHORIZE SIGNATURE FOR ANTAH PROPERTY

AGREED, To authorize C. E. Schmidt to sign necessary documents pertaining to the transfer of property being donated by Mrs. Antah to the church.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon March 22, 1971 2:30 P. M.

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt,
E. J. Gregg

By Invitation: A. H. Brandt, R. H. Henning

Prayer was offered by R. H. Henning.

EU CALL - TEACHER OF EDUCATION

VOTED, To recommend that a call be placed for a replacement teacher of Education for Ethiopian Adventist College.

EZMA - CALL FOR NURSING INSTRUCTOR

VOTED, To recommend that a call be placed for a replacement instructor for the school of nursing at the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital.

AFRICAN HERALD PUBLISHING HOUSE - EDITOR

VOTED, To advise the EAU that we do not consider it wise to call F. G. Reid to serve as editor of the AHPH.

W. M. WEBSTER - FURLOUGH PLANS

VOTED, To acquiesce in W. M. Webster's request that he be allowed to attend the Division Council in Beirut and the EAU yearend meeting, on the understanding that no additional travel expense is involved. It is also agreed that if he attends these meetings and works during the interim between meetings, that his furlough would be extended to January 31, 1972.

SUSTENTEES - MEDICAL REPORTS

VOTED, To authorize settlement of medical expenses submitted by Diamond Ashod. The amount to which he is entitled according to policy is \$112.82.

VOTED, To authorize settlement of medical expenses submitted by Samuel Farag, total allowance being \$34.69.

Adjourned.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

March 24 - April 5, 1971

PRESENT: M. E. Lind, D. K. Bazarra, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Schmidt, E. G. Gregg

DR. LILLI ROLITA - AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT

In harmony with counsel received from Roy F. Williams (Letter dated March 22, 1971), it was

VOTED, To authorize the Ethiopian Union to invite Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peter Rolita, who are presently serving at the Ile-Ife Hospital in Nigeria, on a volunteer basis, to come to Dessie where they have indicated their desire to work, it being understood that when they have begun their work in Dessie, their status as Inter-Division workers will be established on the following basis:

1. He will sign a disclaimer for sustentation benefits, since his age prevents him from being eligible.
2. Dr. Lilli Rolita will be eligible for sustentation for her service, in harmony with the policy.
3. They will be reimbursed for their transfer from Nigeria to Dessie in harmony with the policy for Inter-Division workers.

RELIEF PHYSICIAN - ISHAKA

VOTED, To authorize the General Conference to secure a further temporary replacement for Ishaka Hospital.

MRS. JAMES SEGAR - CALL AS SECRETARY AMD OFFICE

RECOMMENDED, That Mrs. Segar be invited to serve as a secretary (part time) in the Division office if she is available.

GOVERNMENT CONTACTS - MADE BY AUTHORIZED PERSONS ONLY

VOTED, To advise all denominational organizations in the Beirut area that we consider it essential, in order to maintain good relations with the government, that all representations in respect of church matters be made only by those authorized to make such approaches. It is recommended that the officers of the various organizations be called together as soon as possible to agree upon the one or ones to make such contacts.

KENNETH OSTER - CAR DEPRECIATION ADVANCE

VOTED, To authorize automobile depreciation advance to Kenneth Oster, equivalent of two years.

Others present by invitation: R. C. Darnell, George Ghazal, Rafic Issa, Manoug Nazirian, R. D. Pifer, Ignatius Yacoub, George Yared

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS - DEPUTATION NAMED TO APPROACH

RECOMMENDED, That a deputation consisting of the following:

George Ghazal
A H Brandt
Ray L Jacobs
Ignatius Yacoub
George Yared

be asked to approach the Ministry of Social Affairs on behalf of the Afro-Mideast Division for the purpose of acquainting the Ministry with the character of the new Division organization.

WORK PERMITS - COMMITTEE TO PROCESS

RECOMMENDED, That a special committee consisting of a representative from each of the employing church bodies in the Lebanon area be set up to process all applications for work permits. The composition:

C. E. Schmidt
George Ghazal
George Yared
George Nehme
Rafic Issa
Boutros Ghazal

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

M. E. Lind, Chairman
E. J. Gregg, Secretary