

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Beirut, LebanonMarch 17, 19533:00 P.M.PRESENT

Geo. J. Appel, Geo. D. Keough, T. S. Geraty, S. Nogeimie, R. H. Hartwell, and C. C. Morris.

OPENING

Prayer by T. S. Geraty.

APPROVAL OF MINUTESVOTED, That the minutes of February 26 be approved as read.ELDER GUENTHER
SUBSTITUTE FOR
ESTEB
713

Correspondence from the General Conference indicates that Elder Esteb will not be available to visit the Middle East in 1953 as previously requested. However, Elder Guenther can come in his stead.

VOTED, To request the General Conference for the services of Elder Guenther in place of Elder Esteb.EDITH DAVIS--CAIRO
SUMMER SCHOOL
714VOTED, To pass on to the Middle East College Board the request from the Nile Union for the services of Miss Edith Davis in connection with the summer school to be conducted in Cairo.HENRY MELKE
CALL FOR
715VOTED, To pass on to the General Conference and the Australasian Union the call from the East Mediterranean Union for the services of Henry Melke.DIVISION COUNCIL
DATE
716VOTED, That the Division Council be held November 18 to 22, in Beirut, and that the Dar El Salaam Hospital Board meet November 25 to 28 in Baghdad.WEEK OF PRAYER
DATE
717VOTED, To rescind our recent action on the date of the Week of Prayer, and hold to the original date, namely, December 5 to 12.REZAIIEH
WORKER'S HOME
718

It was stated that in connection with the building of the Rezaieh church, space for worker's home could be supplied at but little additional cost.

VOTED, To approve of the construction of space for a worker at Rezaieh, with the understanding that available funds will make this possible.CAIRO CHURCH
BUILDING--ADVANCE
719

During recent months the brethren of the Egypt Mission have given very careful study and consideration to securing a lot on which to erect a church building for Cairo. A very desirable location has been found in the central area near the railway station. On investigation it has been found that this particular lot is outside the circle of a government development project in the railway station area. The lot has a four-story building on it, which is old, and which it is estimated can be wrecked and about ££g. 4,000

realized from salvagable materials. The owner is asking £Eg. 15,000 for the lot and the building. The Nile Union has about £Eg. 8,000 from church extension funds to apply on the project. It is very important that something be done in the near future to finalize on a church location for Cairo, because prices are continually rising. Since the brethren in Egypt have assured us that there is no reason to question the location recommended from the stand point of future development projects encroaching upon the lot in question, it was

VOTED, To authorize an advance of up to £Eg. 3,000 to the Nile Union and the Egypt Mission, with the understanding that this amount will be deducted from any special appropriations that may be available for the Nile Union for 1954; and further

VOTED, To request General Conference approval on this project.

MINISTERIAL
INSTITUTE EXPENSE
720

VOTED, That the Middle East Division provide funds for the entertainment of the regular delegates attending the Ministerial Institute in August, and that the fields sending workers to the Institute be responsible for travel expense.

WORK PERMITS
721

VOTED, That Geo. J. Appel, T. S. Geraty, S. Nogeimie, and C. C. Morris, be authorized to make further investigations in regard to work permits for Lebanon, and report back.

T. S. GERATY
TRIP TO EGYPT
722

VOTED, To authorize Professor T. S. Geraty to make a trip to Egypt of about one week, in the interests of the Educational Department.

GEO. J. APPEL
TRIP TO EGYPT
723

VOTED, To authorize Elder Appel to make a trip to Egypt in the near future in the interests of evangelism and other lines of work.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn.

Geo. J. Appel, Chairman

C. C. Morris, Secretary

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Beirut, LebanonMarch 25, 195310:00 A.M.PRESENT

Geo. J. Appel, Geo. D. Keough, S. Nogeimie, M. J. McCulloch, A. R. Mazat, R. H. Hartwell, Wadie Farag, and C. C. Morris.

OPENING

Prayer by A. R. Mazat.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

VOTED, That the Minutes of meeting held March 17 be approved.

COMMITTEE ON PLACING
ORDERS--REPORT

724

VOTED, That the report of the Committee on Placing of Orders, as submitted through its secretary, Brother McCulloch, be approved as follows:

"We recommend to the Division Committee that the orders for the press all be channeled through the local Book and Periodical Houses, Unions or Division Offices in accordance with Article VII of the Middle East Division Working Policy, as set forth on pages 16 - 21."

"OUR CHILDREN"
PUBLICATION

725

VOTED, To authorize the Middle East Press to reprint Our Children in Arabic, in an edition of five thousand copies.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED, To adjourn.

Geo. J. Appel, Chairman

C. C. Morris, Secretary