

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

February 2, 1972

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

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

REVISED PLANS - MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE AUDITORIUM/MUSIC BUILDING

VOTED, To pass on the revised plans for the gymnasium/music building at Middle East College to the General Conference for their approval.

Meeting held February 3, 1972 at 8:10 A.M.

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

P. RUTHERFORD - STUDENT MISSIONARY TO TANZANIA UNION

VOTED, To request the General Conference to appoint the student missionary couple, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Rutherford, to the Tanzania Union for service in the Voice of Prophecy.

R. PICKARD - STUDENT MISSIONARY TO BEIRUT, LEBANON

VOTED, That the newly arrived student missionary couple, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pickard, be assigned as follows: Bob Pickard to Beirut Overseas School, and Mrs. Pickard to Beirut Overseas School until March 31, and then to the Division office for secretarial work until the new school year begins.

It was also

VOTED, To grant a monthly sustenance allowance of LL 300.00 per month, with all utilities furnished.

B. L. ELLINGWORTH - LEAVE WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION

Inasmuch as B. L. Ellingworth has left the work in Tanzania contrary to advise from the Union Administration, it was

VOTED, To inform the General Conference of this action and that salary has been paid until January 31, 1972.

W. M. WEBSTER - PERMANENT RETURN

WHEREAS, W. M. Webster has accepted a call to serve as secretary-treasurer of the Zambesi Union, it was

VOTED, To recommend to the General Conference that a permanent return be granted W. M. Webster to his home division, the Trans-Africa Division.

N. SEENYEN - ASSISTANCE FOR DAUGHTER'S EDUCATION

WHEREAS, N. Seenyen of the Seychelles Field has requested assistance in the education of his daughter, whom he wishes to send to Avondale College, it was

VOTED, To recommend to the East African Union that assistance be given to Elder Seenyen as follows:

- a. East African Union to provide the educational scholarship grant
- b. The Afro-Mideast Division will pay through the EAU the equivalent of one round-trip per school year between the Seychelles and Mauritius her homeland.

CAROL MILES - STUDY PLANS

VOTED, To recommend to Carol Miles that she take the Library Science course at the University of Washington.

A. P. BOKOVOY - PLACE OF RESIDENCE

VOTED, To inform the General Conference that it is intended that Dr. A. P. Bokovoy reside in Addis Ababa where he will be closer to the major medical work of the Division, rather than in Nairobi, where Dr. H. N. Sheffield, present Medical Secretary, has been residing.

DAVID SYME - PERMANENT RETURN

VOTED, To recommend that David Syme be granted a permanent return to Australia, his homeland.

L. N. WRIGHT, M.D. - ASSISTANCE IN ADOPTING SON

VOTED, To grant assistance to the amount of \$200.00 to Dr. L. N. Wright in connection with the expenses incurred in the adoption of their infant son.

Meeting held February 4, 1972 at 8:00 A.M.

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

WORKING POLICY - PRINTING

VOTED, To authorize the printing of an edition of 300 copies of the Afro-Mideast Division Working Policy books. It is recommended that the book be of loose-leaf style.

MITTLEIDER AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM

VOTED, To provide Shs. 850/- monthly to provide for someone to follow up the Mittleider program at Morogoro for the balance of the year 1972.

KIBIDULA - TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT FOR M. GUNDERSEN

In view of the uncertainty of the tenure at Ikizu which might necessitate the re-location of the Seminary, it was

VOTED, To allow the Tanzania Union an amount of Shs. 850/- per month to provide for a caretaker at Kibidula following the departure of M. Gundersen, until the end of 1972, with the understanding that the Tanzania Union committee appoint someone for this work.

BUGEMA - EMPLOYMENT OF WIVES

In view of the emergency at Bugema Adventist College where two senior African teachers have resigned, it was

VOTED, To authorize the East African Union to employ workers' wives in replacement up to a total of 150 hours per month.

NAJLA MACKDISI - FINAL SETTLEMENT

VOTED, To authorize the treasury department to make final settlement with Najla Mackdisi, a nurse from the Benghazi Hospital.

RONALD FRITZ, DDS - MISSION ORIENTATION COURSE

VOTED, To authorize Ronald Fritz, DDS. who is under appointment to the Nairobi Medical Service, to attend the Mission Orientation Course at Andrews University, June 12 - July 21.

BASHIR AZIZ - ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To authorize the transfer of the unused three quarters education privilege for Bashir Aziz from Middle East College to Ethiopia Adventist College.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary

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February 15, 1972

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

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

MIDYEAR COMMITTEE - SCHEDULE

RECOMMENDED, That the following schedule obtain for the Midyear Committee meeting:

Monday, May 8 East African Union, Ethiopian Union, and Tanzania Union members travel to Beirut.

Tuesday, May 9 Interviews with presidents.

Wednesday, May 10 - Monday, May 15, Midyear committee meetings.

TRANSPORTATION OF ELECTIVE MEMBERS - DIVISION COMMITTEE

VOTED, That the Division bear the cost of air tickets and entertainment while the members are in Beirut. Costs of passports, health certificates, travel to airport, etc. would be against the worker's own local travel budget.

UNION PRESIDENTS - INTERVIEWS

RECOMMENDED, The following schedule for interviews with the Union presidents:

R. C. Darnell	Monday, May 8	11:00 - 12:00 M
L. C. Robinson	Tuesday, May 9	8:00 - 9:00 A.M.
H. W. Palm	Tuesday, May 9	9:30 - 10:30 A.M.
C. D. Henri	Tuesday, May 9	11:00 - 12:00 M

"PINE ECHOES"- ADD

VOTED, To approve the customary full-page add in the Middle East College "Pine Echoes."

IGNATIUS YACOUB - SPONSORSHIP

VOTED, To authorize the Division Secretary to write a letter of sponsorship for Ignatius Yacoub who has been approved for doctoral study overseas beginning Autumn of 1973.

MARRIAGE WITH UNBELIEVERS

VOTED, To recommend to Middle East College that Emile Zamer be dismissed due to his marriage to an unbeliever contrary to counsel.

H. N. SHEFFIELD - RESIDENCY

VOTED, To recommend that Dr. H. N. Sheffield be sponsored for a residency in surgery.

ROBERT PICARD - LIVING ALLOWANCE

VOTED, To adjust the living allowance for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Picard from LL 300.00 to LL 400.00.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION - A. H. BRANDT

VOTED, To appoint A. H. Brandt as the departmental representative of the Afro-Mideast Division to serve on the General Conference Committee on Reorganization.

Meeting held February 16, 1972 with same members present

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

HANNA MALAKA - LOMA LINDA INDIVIDUALIZED LEARNING PROGRAM

VOTED, To recommend that Hanna Malaka who has been recommended by the Middle East Union for study on the Loma Linda University Individualized Learning Program be approved on the condition that the Division share in the cost to the extent of 25% up to a maximum of \$300.00. It is understood that there will be no expenses for visits from Loma Linda University personnel included in the cost of this course.

"REVIEW AND HERALD" SUBSCRIPTION CHARGES

VOTED, That assistance be granted to workers for subscriptions to the Review and Herald on the following basis:

Worker	\$3.00
Local Field	1.00
Division	1.50
General Conference	<u>1.45</u>
Total	\$6.95

It is understood that workers who live in the same area will join together to take advantage of the club rates whenever possible.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

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

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

E. WANJARA - ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To assist the Tanzania Union to the extent of Shs 2000/- toward the accident loss of E. Wanjara and to recommend that an action be taken requesting that Unions set up a fund for the insurance of workers' cars which because of age are not insurable. *Paid*

POLICY COMMITTEE - MIDYEAR

VOTED, To recommend that a policy committee be appointed to consider policies to be submitted to the Midyear committee, as follows:

R. L. Jacobs, Chairman	
D. K. Bazarra	C. D. Henri
O. C. Bjerkan	M. E. Lind
R. C. Darnell	H. W. Palm
E. J. Gregg	L. C. Robinson
R. H. Henning	C. E. Schmidt

BERNARD SALZMANN - STUDENT MISSIONARY

WHEREAS, Bernard Salzmänn has been appointed as a student missionary to connect with the Voice of Prophecy in Morogoro, Tanzania it was

VOTED, To approve the payment of Bernard's fares from Andrews University to Morogoro and return on the understanding that the Salzmanns agree to spend a four-year term in the field, thus enabling the Division to bring the son out in harmony with the General Conference policy for children visiting parents.

TRAVEL OUTSIDE DIVISION

VOTED, To approve travel outside the Division as follows:

Mrs. C. E. Schmidt - Argentina - Feb. 20 -Mar. 1, 1972
Mrs. Leslie Anderson and children - Canada -
January 16 - February 23, 1972

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

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E. J. Gregg

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

MAIDA AZADIAN - VOLUNTEER SERVICE EMPRESS ZAUDITU MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

VOTED, To look with favor on the suggestion that Miss Maida Azadian, a third year student in Pharmacology, be sent to Ethiopia during her three-month summer vacation provided the Ethiopian Union and the EZMI are agreed and are willing to provide for her entertainment. The Division is to pay her fares. The purpose of this trip would be to allow her a period of experience in connection with our mission medical work.

ETHIOPIAN UNION - ACTING PRESIDENT

VOTED, That R. L. Jacobs be asked to serve as chairman of the Ethiopian Union during the absence of H. W. Palm on furlough. He would spend approximately one month in Ethiopia from early June to mid July. This will necessitate modification of itineraries voted for Elder Jacobs in the East African Union and the Tanzania Union.

IRAN CAMPMEETING - M. E. LIND ATTEND

VOTED, That M. E. Lind take the campmeeting appointment voted for R. L. Jacobs in Iran in June.

TITHE PERCENTAGE SCHEDULE - POLICY

VOTED, That the policy on the sharing of the tithe be amended by including the thought contained in the paragraph from the General Conference Working Policy, p. 263 entitled, "Tithe Percentage Schedule."

Meeting held on February 21, 1972 at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR - HERI

VOTED, To recommend that a call be placed for a doctor to serve as Medical Director of Heri Hospital. The name of Dr. Ray Pellow of Spokane, Washington is suggested.

KCMC - FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

WHEREAS, recent contacts with the authorities at KCMC indicate that control of that institution now rests largely with the Tanzania Government, thus making it unlikely that non-Tanzanian students would have opportunity for acceptance to study there, and further that

Seventh-day Adventist applicants would have no preferential consideration, it was

VOTED, To recommend that the Afro-Mideast Division not increase its financial commitments to the KCMC beyond the present one staff member.

DR. RICHARD HART - RELATION TO KCMC

WHEREAS, Dr. Richard Hart, presently completing a residency at John Hopkins University Medical School, is interested in connecting with KCMC, provided the AMD can assist him with his medical course expenses, and in view of the foregoing recommendation, it was

VOTED, To advise Dr. Hart that we do not find it possible to increase our commitment toward the KCMC project by assuming any financial liability for his connection with the KCMC.

MARY GHAZAL - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

VOTED, To grant the request of Mary Ghazal for a leave of two months, including her annual vacation of three weeks, during the period July 1 to September 1. Time taken beyond vacation is without salary.

MONETARY SITUATION - EFFECT ON BUDGET

WHEREAS, The world monetary situation is continually being watched by the denominational financial leaders and further changes have been adopted in denominational exchange rates, it was

VOTED, To ask the treasury department to rework the budget in harmony with the latest developments and that the Union Administrators be informed immediately of the seriousness of the problem.

Meeting held February 22, 1972 at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.
Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

RONALD FRITZ, DDS. - CANADIAN EXAMINATIONS EXPENSE

VOTED, To authorize Dr. Ronald Fritz to take the Canadian Board examinations in dentistry in May, provided he is medically cleared for a mission appointment.

SEMIR SHAHINE - ALLOWANCES WHILE ON STUDY LEAVE

VOTED, To authorize the treasurer to pay Book Allowance to Samir Shahine for books purchased while spending one year at Andrews University, following the General Conference Session, but that no assistance be given on the cost of accomodation while on his vacation.

HOME-OWNERS' SUBSIDY - PAYMENT IN ADVANCE

VOTED, To acquiesce in the request of the Middle East Union that they be permitted to continue the practice of paying the home owners' allowance for the year in advance for the year 1972 only.

IRAQ FUNDS - EXCHANGE LOSS

VOTED, To seek counsel from the General Conference concerning the transfer of funds from Iraq to Lebanon. The funds belong to the Middle East Union.

KARURA VOICE OF PROPHECY HOUSE - TRANSFER TO SECTION I

VOTED, To recommend that approval be granted for the house at Karura, East African Union, formerly occupied by Wesley Flory to be transferred to Section I for occupancy by the director of the Voice of Prophecy.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO MIDDLE EAST UNION

VOTED, To advise the Middle East Union that the Afro-Mideast Division will share 50% in the following expenses:

- a. Building fines - Damascus Center
- b. Legal expenses - Jordan Orphanage
- c. Welfare organization - Turkey

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

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Beirut, Lebanon

February 24, 1972

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

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

BEIRUT OVERSEAS SCHOOL - DIVISION OFF LIMITS

VOTED, That the Division office be considered off limits to students of the Beirut Overseas School except as they must come to see parents or others on business.

UNION ANNUAL COMMITTEES - DIVISION REPRESENTATION

VOTED, That Division representation at Union and local yearend committees be as follows:

Tanzania Union - December 1 - 7, M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt
East Africa Union - December 8 - 14, M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt
Ethiopian Union - December 14 - 19, M. E. Lind, C. E. Schmidt
Middle East Union - December 26 - 30, R. L. Jacobs, E. J. Gregg

Local field yearend meetings - January 8 - 31, 1973:

Tanzania and Ethiopia - E. J. Gregg
East African Union and Middle East Union - R. L. Jacobs

Meeting held February 29, 1972, at 10:00 A.M. with same members present:

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

HANSEN MEMORIAL LIBRARY - DONATION

VOTED, To grant E\$ 1,000 from special donations to the fund being set up for a Hansen Memorial Library in Akaki Seventh-day Adventist School.

ISHAKA HOSPITAL - SALE OF FURNITURE TO MEDICAL DIRECTOR

AGREED, To advise the East African Union that it is not the practice to sell furniture with which denominationally owned homes are equipped, but that inasmuch as the furniture in Ishaka would have to be stored with resulting deterioration while the house is occupied by a national worker, to acquiesce in the request of the East African Union to sell the furniture in the Medical Director's house to Dr. S. I. Biraro, it being understood, (1) that the Union treasurer be responsible for seeing that the price be set at a realistic figure, considering costs of replacement, (2) that funds received be set up as a reserve to be used for re-furnishing the house if an inter-division worker is called to Ishaka in the future, and (3) that the EAU be responsible for refurnishing the house in

case it is required and (4) that the total be paid in no more than two years.

FORT PORTAL EXPATRIATE HOUSE

WHEREAS, a request has been made for a re-organization of the Uganda field which might require the use of the Fort Portal expatriate house, it was

AGREED, That approval of the request of the East African Union to release the Fort Portal house for occupancy by a national worker be held in abeyance until the above-mentioned request has been studied.

NAIROBI MEDICAL CENTER - APARTMENT ON GROUND FLOOR

VOTED, To acquiesce in the request of the East African Union to use up to Shs. 70,000 of their own reserve funds for the construction of a three-bedroom apartment on the ground floor of the Medical Center building, it being understood that this advance shall be considered as first call on 1973 special appropriations.

MICHAEL KATRIB - WORK PERMIT

AGREED, To advise the Middle East Union that we look with concern on the fact that the East Mediterranean Field has independently authorized Michael Katrib to secure his work permit, in view of the firm agreement that all work permits in Lebanon be requested through the committee set up for this purpose.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary