

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 9:00 A.M. May 1, 1972

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

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

MRS. E. RUNGE - EMPLOYMENT

VOTED, To employ Mrs. E. Runge on a part-time basis as a secretary and accounting machine operator in the Division office.

Meeting held May 1, 1972 with same members present, in addition to D. K. Bazarra.

Invited: A. H. Brandt

DEPARTMENTAL ORGANIZATION

VOTED, To inform the General Conference that we feel that in the Afro-Mideast Division it is important that the present system of departmental organization be continued on all levels. The matter will be further discussed with the Union representatives at the mid-year meeting.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon

May 3, 1972

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

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

GINERVA COWLES - EMPLOYMENT

VOTED, To offer employment to Miss Ginerva Cowles for the summer of 1972.

KILIMANJARO CHRISTIAN MEDICAL CENTER - COMMITTEE

VOTED, That a sub-committee comprised of the Division officers, Doctors Bokovoy and Sheffield, and L. C. Robinson be appointed to study the matter of the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center and the future relationship to this organization.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR - COMMITTEE

VOTED, To recommend that a committee on distribution of labor composed of the Division officers, the medical secretary, and the union presidents be appointed for study of problems to be considered at the midyear meeting.

Meeting held 11:00 A.M. May 8, 1972

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

Prayer by C. E. Schmidt.

SCHOLARSHIP PLAN - MIDDLE EAST UNION REQUEST

VOTED, To recommend to the Division committee that the policy on student colporteur scholarships be reviewed in light of recommendations from the Middle East Union.

CITY EVANGELISM FUNDS - MIDDLE EAST UNION

VOTED, To recommend that the plan of the Middle East Union concerning the division of large city evangelism funds be reviewed by the Division committee.

LEBANON COORDINATING COMMITTEE

VOTED, To recommend to the Division committee that a coordinating committee be appointed to consider matters of common concern to the Division, Union, and local organizations operating in Lebanon.

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

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION
Beirut, Lebanon May 9, 1972

(Officers with L. C. Robinson of the Tanzania Union at 8:10 A.M.)

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

Prayer was offered by R. L. Jacobs.

Situation at Ikizu: The serious problem faced with regard to military training, and absolute loss of control of the institution was presented. The headmaster and ex-patriate teachers are being required to leave.

Transfer for E. M. Luyeho: In view of the above, the East African Union has been advised to proceed with the call for E. M. Luyeho.

Seminary Project - Sabbath School Project 1974: Request the overflow offering for the development of a seminary for training of evangelistic workers.

(Officers with H. W. Palm of the Ethiopian Union at 9:30 A.M.)

Prayer was offered by D. K. Bazarra.

Ethiopia Adventist College: Decision regarding student unrest; Government department concurs; Riley desires to return after furlough in 1973 as a teacher only. Ethiopian Union could loan Blinci and salary provision for 1 year. Compensation for cars damaged in rioting was referred to the officers.

Makale Clinic: It is suggested that Dr. and Mrs. Johnson (he is a retired physician) be allowed to come for a year or more. He has offered to pay his own fare. The Ethiopian Union agrees to pay a living allowance of E\$ 500.00. The Division would deal with the Johnsons on the basis of the AVSC plan.

Publishing Secretary: The need exists for an experienced publishing secretary for the Ethiopian Union. Owen D'Costa is requesting a permanent return - he plans on moving to Australia or perhaps returning to Britian. He would be replaced by an Ethiopian worker thus freeing his budget for the calling of a publishing secretary.

Vacation Home - Awassa: Property has been acquired in Awassa on which two houses are situated. One of these has been assigned for occupancy by the president of the South Ethiopian Field. The Field offices to be temporarily housed in the church building. The other house is to be used as a vacation center for the use of workers in the Ethiopian Union. A committee has been appointed by the EU to recommend a scale of rental charges for those using these facilities.

(Officers with C. D. Henri of the East African Union at 11:00 A.M.)

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

Work Among Hindus in Uganda: Mrs. D. Shah of Kampala has available \$20,000, raised privately for the opening of work among the Hindu people in Kampala. The suggestion is that a colporteur be called from the Southern Asia Division. It is understood that before any worker can be called the funds should be placed on deposit with the Afro-Mideast Division. Any worker called would be directed by the East African Union.

Maxwell Preparatory School: Enrollment at MPS has dwindled from 25 students to 8. There have been problems with regard to discipline which arise partially from the location of the school and partly from personality problems. Discussion followed as to the importance of the school to the missionary family in the southern unions of the Division. The officers have suggested the name of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Doyle to help the situation.

Housing: Need for three houses in Nairobi was discussed.

Personnel Problems: It is suggested that at Bugema H. R. Bothwell who goes on PR be replaced by a business manager, thus freeing the principal to take over the Bible teaching. Arising out of this discussion arose the matter of the auditing work in East Africa. It was recommended that R. Martin Moores be appointed assistant treasurer and assistant auditor.

It was also recommended that a call for Robert Blinci currently in Ethiopia be passed through to Ethiopia to serve as assistant business manager of Bugema Adventist College.

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 2:30 P.M. May 11, 1972

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

Invited: Dr. A. P. Bokovoy

CHAPLAINS TRAINING PROGRAM

The need for a course to prepare qualified chaplains for our medical institutions was presented. Further study will be given to this problem in view of making plans for such a course in the EZMH.

PHYSICIANS SELF-EVALUATION PROGRAM

A self-evaluation examination is available to physicians at a cost of \$35.00 per year which will enable doctors to keep abreast with medical practice while not having the opportunity of attending medical meetings, and so assist them in maintaining valid licenses required whenever they return to their homeland.

AGREED, To authorize the medical secretary to assess the interest of doctors in following such a program and present his findings at the time of the yearend committee.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Sec. pro tem

Officers as Steering Committee - 7:30 A.M., May 12, 1972

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

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

IMPACT - R. W. TAYLOR, EDIT AUGUST ISSUE

VOTED, To recommend that R. W. Taylor be asked to edit the August issue of IMPACT on behalf of A. H. Brandt who is to be on safari at that time.

TANZANIA - EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION

VOTED, That emergency measures be outlined for the administration of the Tanzania union in the event that the president is ordered to leave the country on short notice

Acting President - Hans Salzmann

" Secretary Treasurer - R. C. Megera

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 7:30 A.M. May 15, 1972

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

By Invitation: C. D. Henri

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

UGANDA - DIVISION INTO TWO FIELDS

VOTED, To look with favor on the **proposal** that the Uganda Field be divided into **two fields and to recommend that this matter be referred to the Division Committee for consideration.**,

Officers' Meeting **with same members present at 9:15 A.M., May 16, 1972**

Prayer was offered by M. E. Lind.

TU - EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION

VOTED, That during an emergency situation resulting from an order requiring the president of the Tanzania Union to leave the country, Hans Salzman is hereby appointed acting president of the Tanzania Union and R. C. Megera, acting secretary-treasurer.

If Hans Salzman is also required to leave the country, S. D. Otieno is hereby appointed acting president of the Tanzania Union and R. C. Megera, acting secretary-treasurer.

E. H. SEQUEIRA - CITIZENSHIP PROBLEMS

VOTED, To authorize E. H. Sequeira to travel to the U.S.A. after two years in connection with naturalization procedures. Then, after another two year period, he would again be allowed to travel to the U.S.A. for finalizing his citizenship problems. The Division to bear the cost of these two trips and they **are in lieu of furlough.**

ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE - REIMBURSEMENT FOR RIOT DAMAGE

VOTED, To grant E\$7,000.00 from contingency fund to assist with the damages to personal property sustained by workers at Ethiopia Adventist College. *sent*

JOHN FRIEND, M.D. - PERMANENT RETURN CHANGED TO FURLOUGH

In view of the call of the TAD for Dr. John Friend, it was

VOTED, To recommend that the permanent return voted for Dr. Friend be changed to furlough.

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H. RAY DOYLE - PERMANENT RETURN CHANGED TO FURLOUGH

VOTED: To recommend that the permanent return for H. Ray Doyle be changed to furlough.

Meeting held at 8:25 A.M. May 17, 1972, with same members present.

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

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

FAREWELL COMMITTEE

VOTED: To appoint an entertainment committee to be charged with the responsibility of planning social affairs such as farewells, etc.,

Mrs. B. Jacobs, Chairwoman
Mary Ghazal
Mrs. V. Gregg

HARATUN NAZIRIAN - CAR INSURANCE ASSISTANCE

VOTED, To approve the payment of 50% of the third Party Insurance for Hartune Nazirian based on what we normally pay for such coverage.

Meeting held at 8:00 A.M. May 18, 1972, with same members present.

By Invitation: R. D. Pifer

Prayer was offered by E. J. Gregg.

SDA CHURCH IN LEBANON - LEGAL BODY

Time was spent discussing the matter of the legal body, The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Lebanon, as well as other matters pertaining to the Division and its relationship to the government of Lebanon --no action was taken.

R. J. BURGESS - CONDUCT

After the departure of R. D. Pifer at this point, some discussion took place concerning Reg Burgess, a furloughing worker from Ethiopia, and some questions that have been raised since his departure on furlough --no action was taken.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary

OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

Beirut, Lebanon 8:30 A.M. May 23, 1972

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

Prayer was offered by C. E. Schmidt.

BASTA BISHAI - SUSTENTATION RATE

Council was sought from F. C. Webster and the former president of the Nile Union, Neal C. Wilson, concerning the circumstances surrounding the sustentation of Basta Bishai in Egypt. It was

VOTED, That in the light of information supplied by these brethren, no consideration can be given to the matter of altering the rate of sustentation for Brother Bishai.

MRS. ERNEST RUNGE - SALARY RATE

VOTED, That Mrs. M. Runge, a part-time worker, be paid at the rate of 81%.

Meeting held at 12:10 P.M. on May 23, 1972, with same members present.

JACK BOHANNON - SPECIAL ALLOWANCE

The Bohannons were preparing to go on permanent return and had sold most of their goods in anticipation of their departure. An invitation was extended to them to head the Division of Religion and Biblical Languages at Middle East College, which they have decided to accept provided certain financial problems can be satisfactorily solved. It was

granted

VOTED, To grant an ex-gratia allowance of \$500.00 to the Bohannons to assist in their unusual expenses.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

E. J. Gregg, Secretary



OFFICERS' MEETING OF THE AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION
Beirut, Lebanon May 25, 1972

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

Prayer by R. L. Jacobs.

BRENDA COWLES - EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCE ADVANCE

WHEREAS Miss Brenda Cowles will be studying at Collonges, France during the 1972-73 school year and fees are payable for the entire year in advance, it was

VOTED, To advance the educational scholarship grant for Miss Brenda Cowles for the 1972-73 school year to L. H. Cowles.

EGYPT EXCHANGE OF PERSONAL FUNDS

WHEREAS frequent requests come to hand for the exchange of personal funds between Egypt and Lebanon, it was

VOTED, To advise all such individuals that denominational policy does not permit us to enter into such transactions.

T. G. STAPLES - MARINE INSURANCE CLAIM PAYMENT

VOTED, To approve the suggestion that the marine insurance claim of T. G. Staples to the value of \$56.00, be met by the Division rather than process the claim through the insurance company for a net claim payment of only \$6.00.

Meeting held on May 30, 1972 at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.

By Invitation: Bekele Heye

Prayer: E. J. Gregg

ETHIOPIA - REGISTRATION OF LAND

WHEREAS, information has been received concerning problems existing in connection with the registration of land in Ethiopia with the possibility of considerable loss to the church should immediate action not be taken, it was

VOTED, To ask Pastor Bekele Heye to make a special trip to Ethiopia to assist in this registration problem, details concerning itinerary commitments in the Middle East Union, to be worked out by the Division Secretary.

Meeting held June 1, 1972, at 8:00 A.M. with same members present.

Prayer: M. E. Lind

TAPE OF THE MONTH - PURCHASE

VOTED, To authorize a subscription to the "Tape of the Month" to be made available to workers on a lending library basis.

R. H. HENNING - TRAVEL BUDGET

VOTED, To authorize R. H. Henning to exceed his travel budget for 1972 by an amount of up to LL 2,000.

HARLEY BRESEE - DELAY REPLACEMENT

VOTED, To recommend that no call be placed for a replacement for Harley Bresee for the present, the position to be reviewed at the yearend.

SANDRA LEE HESGARD - SALARY RATE

VOTED, To set the salary rate for Miss Sandra Lee Hesgard at 83%. She is under appointment to serve in the East African Union office.

J. N. KYALE - STUDY ALLOWANCE

WHEREAS J. N. Kyale has indicated that his present allowance for study at Philippine Union College is not sufficient, it was

VOTED, That J. N. Kyale be granted allowance in harmony with Afro-Mideast Division policy or his present allowance - whichever is larger. The financial advisor of the College has written that Brother Kyale's allowance is on the high side compared with other students from outside the Philippines.

Meeting held June 5, 1972, at 8:00 A.M. with same members present with the exception of E. J. Gregg, on furlough.

Prayer: M. E. Lind

ELHAM GUIRGUIS, DORA GUINDY - STUDENT COLPORTEURS TO SWEDEN

VOTED, To approve the recommendation of Middle East College that Elham Guirguis and Dora Guindy be recommended to the Northern European-West Africa Division as student colporteurs during the summer of 1972.

LARRY DAVIS - INSTITUTE OF MISSIONS

VOTED, To advise the General Conference that we deeply regret that we cannot approve the plan for Larry Davis to attend the Andrews Institute of World Missions, June 12 to July 21, since the East African Union has been without a treasurer for more than a year and this added time would result in serious harm to the work.

J. ALLEN SINES, DDS. - REQUEST FOR COUNSEL

AGREED, That the plan presented by Dr. Sines to send his son John to Far Eastern Academy and daughter Valerie to the States for next school year is acceptable, and further to inquire of Dr. Sines if he would consider serving in Nairobi following a furlough in 1973.

CHAPLAIN FOR HERI HOSPITAL

AGREED, To inquire if the Trans-Africa Division is willing to permit the Tanzania Union to deal directly with former ASHE graduates in the Central African Union in view of inviting one of them to come to Heri Hospital to serve as chaplain on the basis of locally employed workers.

M. E. Lind, Chairman

R. L. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem