

**OLD MCKENDREE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**July 8, 2000**

The Old McKendree Board of Trustees met at 10 a.m. July 8, 2000, in Cox Hall Conference Room at New McKendree UMC, Jackson, MO.

Jack Byrd presided and District Superintendent Brent Mustoe gave the opening prayer.

Also in attendance were: Marybelle Mueller, Joyce Peerman, Theresa Hopkins, Hughes Davault, Walter Joe Ford, Harold Kuehle, John Rice, James Hartmann and Betty Henry.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer Terri Tomlin was unable to stay for the meeting, but distributed copies of her report to members. Joyce moved that the report be accepted. The motion was seconded and passed. A report of the checking account balance and indication of the latest certificate of deposit will be added later.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

David contacted Bob Rafferty and was assured that his bid for the termite treatment would be less than those already given. He will follow through with this work.

Jack reported that the backhoe work and gravel work would be done as soon as he has the time.

With no local supplier available, Rodney sent paperwork from the Terrace Fence Co. of Marion, IL, for the Board's information. The company has agreed to replace the fence and gate at the entrance to the Chapel grounds soon. The bid total was \$1995. We will receive \$500 from the National Archives and History Commission later this year to be used toward this project.

Jack reported that the sign at the Cemetery entrance has been replaced. He also mentioned that the Jahn family inquired about purchasing the cemetery land that they have been including in their yard for some time. They have been mowing this portion for a while and don't want to continue mowing it if they can't buy it. Luke Hopkins will be instructed to include that land in his cemetery mowing since the Board doesn't want to sell it.

Hughes reported having some more evergreen trees ready to transplant to the Chapel grounds. This will be done after the fence replacement is completed.

John will resume conversations with Clayton Smith concerning AG and Kate, the musical Wesleyan scholars.

David has completed work on the bedroom addition in the basement of the caretaker's house.

Betty reported on the Eagle Scout project of Garrett Gjerstad. James Sanderson met with Garrett and Betty and the style of bench that Garrett will make for the Chapel grounds was decided upon. Garrett has already begun removing the paint markings on the Williams cabin. He will proceed with the bench making as soon as his project receives approval from the Boy Scouts of

America Board. None of the benches will be placed until further discussions with the Board are held.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Hughes will head the project having the two dead trees on the Chapel grounds removed; the 200+ years old Liberty Tree and the large hackberry tree in front of the Williams cabin. Possible uses of some of the wood from the Liberty Tree were suggested.

After discussion about the damage done by insects and groundhogs, Marybelle moved that appropriate spraying and treatments be done. The motion was seconded and passed. David is to contact Bob Rafferty of Pest Free about the work.

Betty reported on a conversation with David Glastetter, realtor for the adjoining L. D. Smith property. He requested, on behalf of Mr. Smith, that the Board file a written easement with the County Recorder granting permission to use the Chapel road for access to the property for sale. The Board agreed not to do this at this time. Two specific factors were discussed; the narrowness of the lane makes it unsuitable for two-way traffic and the road base is not solid enough to hold up under heavy construction equipment vehicles. Jack appointed a committee to work on this project. Walter Joe will chair the committee with Hughes, Marybelle, Harold and Betty.

Theresa presented a bill for repair of the air conditioner. Walter Joe moved that the bill be paid. The motion was seconded and passed.

Betty distributed copies of the 2000 Annual Report published by the Conference.

**ANNUAL MEETING:**

Brent reported that John Gooch, guest speaker, will be sending information for publicity.

Jack assigned the following responsibilities for the September meeting:

- Ushers- Hughes
- Sound system- Rodney
- Parking- Hopkins men
- Refreshments- Theresa
- Music- Brent
- Programs- District Office

Harold reported that he and Peggy would like to once again donate the Circuit Rider statuette to be given to the speaker. The Board expressed its appreciation for this.

With no further business, Jack adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Poe Henry  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**MINUTES – COMMITTEE ON ROAD EASEMENT:**

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on Road Easement, chaired by Walter Joe Ford that was held following the regular Board meeting July 8, 2000:

Committee members are Hughes, Marybelle, Harold and Betty.

After discussing the matter of issuing a written easement for the use of the Chapel road, the committee drafted the following:

In return for the easement, the Chapel Board would like the following:

- A 75 ft. wide strip of Mr. Smith's land along the western border of the Chapel and grounds deeded to Old McKendree;
- An agreement that Mr. Smith or other owners repair and maintain the Chapel road when development of the land begins;
- The Chapel road will revert back to Old McKendree usage when other access to the Smith property becomes available.

The proposal was made in the form of a motion by Harold, seconded by Marybelle and accepted by the committee.

This committee agreed to make no proposal at this time and wait for a written proposal from L. D. Smith before taking further action.