

OFFICIAL BOARD  
HIGHWAY MISSION TABERNACLE

Meeting of the Official Board held on January 7,  
1937, at 8 o'clock P.M., at the Church.

Present:

Brothers

Steelberg,  
Carr,  
Krause,  
Zell,  
Hepworth,  
Laverack,  
Bullock

Day,  
Alexander,  
Spain,  
Brosky,  
Reinhardt  
McKittrick

Sisters

Steelberg,  
M. Nethery,  
Clark,  
McEwen,  
Payne

The Pastor, Brother Wesley R. Steelberg, presided, and opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the meetings of the Official Board held on November 24th, 1936 and December 27, 1936, were read and approved.

The Pastor stated that he had not yet received the copy of letter with reference to Highway's acceptance into fellowship with the General Council, for recording in the minutes, but would give it to the Clerk as soon as it is received.

The Pastor further stated that their gift at Christmas time had been a means of checking on the membership and addresses, that they had received about 40 changes of address, and that the names of some who do not appear in their roll book who claim membership; and that many names who do appear have not been out to service for many months or have moved away altogether.

Sister Steelberg read the following list of names who claim membership, and to each name the following answers were made by some member of the board:

Sister Duckett	Member	(No record in Minutes)
Mr. Joshua Bell	Member	" " "
Mrs. Joshua Bell	Member	" " "
Sadie Adams	Inactive	" " "
John Blaser	Member, attends regular.	
Magnus Breviek	Inactive member	
Edward Cranford Mrs.	Inactive member	
Charlotte Donaghy	Member, attends	
Sadie Edwards, 861 Beechwood St.	Inactive member,	
	Attends Salvation Army	
Mrs. Elizabeth Gerhardt,	Member ,no one seemed to know her.	
Walter U.S.Lipp,	Inactive member	
Florence Myers,	Inactive member	
Charles Nader	Inactive member	
Elsie Riebsane	Member, attends.	
Mrs. Schermer,	Inactive member.	

The Pastor stated that he had received a letter re-



questing that Brother Davies of the Sunday School Union, be permitted to come to Highway for a Sunday.

Moved by Brother Combs, and assented to by the Board, that a letter be written to Brother Davies stating that we have sufficient responsibilities of our own at present and do not feel that we can include their program in our Speakers' List.

The Pastor stated that information had been received from Brother Shirer that the date, February 11, 1937, would be open to us if Highway desired them to exhibit their missionary pictures, which required about four hours.

Moved by Brother Zell, seconded by Sister Clark, and carried, that we invite Brother Shirer to show the pictures in the Sunday School room, and if that overflows they should be transferred to the main auditorium.

The Pastor stated that January 13, 14 and 15 there would be a prayer conference of the district brethren at Brooklyn, and all of the district ministers are invited; that Brother VanMeter had asked if he would be attending, but stated that if he did so it would necessitate his absence from Highway on Thursday night.

Moved by Brother Krause, seconded by Brother Carr, and carried, that the Pastor be allowed to attend the prayer conference.

Brother Krause stated that at the broadcast on January 2, 1937, the Pastor had made reference to the fact that he desired the prayers of the people with reference to finances relating to the broadcast, and suggested that in the future he felt it would be wise to live up to our agreement, and that no mention of finances be mentioned over the radio, that our needs for this work be confined to members inside of the Church.

Brother Laverack voiced his disappointment with regard to the radio program, in general, stating that he did not feel the messages were of a Pentecostal type, that there were no rugged evangelistic services and no distinctive testimony. He stated he was satisfied with the singing, the chorus and special numbers, but he felt that our distinctive testimony was not brought forth. He further stated that he desired his name would not appear on the ballot for the coming election.

The Pastor endeavored to explain the fact that, generally speaking, Pentecostal people are not well spoken of by outsiders, being called fanatical, and the like, and that people do not have confidence in us; that in order to reach the hearts of the larger class of people it would be necessary to first gain their confidence, and to use "the wisdom of a serpent and the harmlessness of a dove", which he felt should be done before any doctrinal issue is preached, etc.

After further discussion it was moved by Brother Combs, and seconded by Brother Carr, that the matter of the radio broadcast continue to be left in the hands of the pastor.

Motion withdrawn with consent of second.

Moved by Brother Krause, seconded by Brother Carr, and



carried, that the Official Board give Brother Steelberg a full vote of confidence with relation to the radio broadcast.

It was suggested by Brother Day, that as we are nearing the end of the fiscal year, that some special effort be put forth to pay off the mortgage on the Church.

The Pastor stated he felt we should pray about the matter of changing the hour of the Sunday School.

Suggested by Brother Krause that the pastor present the matter of changing the hour of the Sunday School at the annual business meeting, with the full approbation of the Official Board.

Moved by Brother Day, seconded by Brother Laverack, that we adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

*Clara M. Payne*

Church Clerk