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ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD - 1/27/92

The Administrative Board meeting was called to order at 7:06 by Chairperson, Ben Mitchum with a devotion entitled "The New Year"

Election of James Overby as Vice Chairperson and Sue Stello as Recording Secretary was held and there were 33 members present including Rev. Bill Vines.

The AD BD approved the Nominating Committee's filling the vacant space on SPRC with Mr. Kent Murray as Young Adult Member. Nominations also reported that there is a vacancy as Chairperson of CUIC and they shall be working to fill that position.

A motion was made that we continue to meet monthly on the fourth Monday evening, by Thomas Lynch and seconded by Eddie May. The motion passed.

Minutes were read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Business carried over from last year included the naming of our Educational Building. Jackie Dawsey, our Church Historian was asked to research who gave the land and the money to build the Educational Building and report at the next AD BD meeting.

The MEMBERSHIP AUDIT COMMITTEE reported a meeting on January 24 and will continue to meet on Fridays at 11 a.m. and have tasked themselves with tracing each member of AUMC from joining date to removal date. This effort is to find a reason for our erroneous number of 678 FULL MEMBERS reported on our Charge Conference Report and our actual 559 FULL MEMBERS reported on our Annual Conference report.

UMW expressed their appreciation to all who helped with set-ups and tear-downs during their recent holiday projects.

NEW BUSINESS

ASBURY CLASS: Don Cain asked the AD BD for permission to hold a BBQ and Flea Market at the church on February 29, 1992. The tables for the Flea Market will be "sold" to outside venders at $5 per table and profits will be theirs to keep. ASBURY CLASS will make sure the items sold are in good taste and will provide security to church property as they have always done.

MOTION: James Overby SECOND: Ben Mitchum

After discussion the motion was approved.
MINISTER'S REPORT

Rev. Vines thanked Jean Smith and the SPRC for the warm reception he and Caroline have received since coming to Aldersgate. He also thanked the UMW for the "welcome dinner."

He feels a "joyous spirit" in working with our congregation and hopes to sustain this for many years to come. He hopes to keep all conflict small and looks forward to working with everyone.

Some ideas were shared:

a) Find 2 persons to work with minister as coordinators of ministries. One male and one female. Rick Stello has offered to serve as one of these persons. These two shall work with the pastor to get to know persons in the congregation, to develop a "talent bank" and to suggest needful programs to COM.

b) Develop an Evangelistic Thrust at Aldersgate to recruit new members. Program to include church hosts, strong worship setting for welcoming visitors, "gatekeepers" to shuttle information shared to home visitors which shall be husband and wife teams making visits with gifts before 8 p.m. on the Sunday they visited the church.

c) Port of Entry Classes or Inquiry Classes telling history of church, detailed list of programs, mission work, UM beliefs, and finance information about our church.

d) Shepherd families, once the visitor is received as a new member. (To help them find a SS class, UMW, UMM, UMYF, Choir, etc)

e) Hold Sunday evening classes or discipleship growth classes on Sunday evenings from 6-7:30. Suggestions for topics for these classes were made and are in full report attached.

AD BD was receptive of these ideas and suggested that we place emphasis on the 20-30 years group and that we run a list of available studies in the HEARTWARMER to see which will be most popular.

Rev. Vines added that he would develop a group of seven church leaders to be a "Think Tank Group" to do long range planning. This group shall consist of the chairperson of AD BD, COM, TRUSTEES, FINANCE, our Lay Leader, Church School Superintendent and the minister.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SPRC: Jean Smith reported their meeting went well and the year end reports were mailed to the District Office and that 5 SPRC members attended the workshop at N Chas UMC. A thank you note was sent to Rev. Sam Johnson, our D. S., thanking him for our new minister. Rev. Johnson related that we should first take our problems to our new minister and then to the SPRC, then AD BD.
SPRC requests that suggestions and comments be made to them in writing.

YOUTH: Mary King reported the upcoming Sweetheart Luncheon for the congregation after church on the 9th of February. Donations will be accepted for youth programs. The youth will sponsor a bake sale at the BBQ on February 29th.

COM: Fred Dawson made a motion that we form the committee of seven of which the minister spoke.

SECOND: Thomas Lynch. Motion was passed.

COM will continue to report to the congregation through the HEARTWARMER and will continue to meet on the first Sunday of the month.

TRUSTEES: Don Cain reported that the rental house shall continue to be rented on a monthly basis until the tenant fails to pay the rent at which time 30 days notice shall be given. After their next meeting they shall report to the AD BD their recommendation for continuing the renting of the Salvo Street property. The TRUSTEES were asked to look into:
- Where are the smoke detectors?
- Threshold for ramp entrance of Sanctuary
- Automatic door close for same door
- Basketball goals (will they be up for spring?)
The TRUSTEES were thanked for installing the new sound system donated to the Fellowship Hall last week.

FINANCE: Becky Devereux reported an excellent year in 1991 as we kept costs down, tried to conserve and were generous in our gifts to conference (making a 70% apportionment payment) A statement will be run in the next HEARTWARMER showing 1991 receipts and expenses. Auditors from the congregation will be asked to audit our books and complete the Annual Audit Report due in the District Office on February 15th. Another “check signer” is needed and the AD BD was requested to allow Ben Mitchum this duty. The motion was made that Mr. Mitchum be asked and that his name be added to those from our church to be bonded.

MOTION: Eddie May SECOND: Thomas Lynch
Motion passed.

EDUCATION: Evelyn Albach has called a meeting of the Council on Education for February 6 at 7 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS: Sue Stello reported that AGC Corp will increase our UMIS software to 4.9 for $100 and a $330 annual fee for updates and support. AD BD agreed to use office supply line in budget to pay, even if we come out over-budget in December.

SSI has bought Caber Systems and gone up on our Copy Kit rates from .0133 per copy to .0159 per copy. This may cause our Office Copier line in the BF budget to be over-budget in December.
James Overby thanked the MEN'S CLUB for sponsoring the Dinner Theatre on Saturday night. It was a huge success and much money was made for our youth.

We shall continue to have a nursery for our meetings.

We shall provide minutes from the previous meeting to each member as he comes in for the next meeting to save time.

Felton Knight suggested we pay much closer attention to our table set-ups at our church programs taking caution not to block the fire exits.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Sue B - Stello,
Recording Secretary
The Administrative Board Meeting was called to order by Ben Mitchum, Chairperson with a devotion, Ephesians 1: 13+14. The roll was called and there were 32 present. Minutes were read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS
Church Historian, Jackie Dawsey reported that she and Glen White examined the deeds in the Safe Deposit Box at NBSC and have found that different parcels of land were given by different people for our church buildings to be built on. The land for the Educational Building was given by Ellie Vroome. Rev. Horne helped secure a loan from Home Federal for the construction of the Educational Building. This was all done in an effort to decided whether or not to name the Educational Building after the Bates Family and Rev. Horne as was requested last year. After much discussion, the letter was re-read that requested the naming, and a motion was made by Sue Stello, the "we do not name the building a this time." The motion was seconded by Carol Poole and amended by Rev. Vines to read that we continue to investigate exactly what was donated and by whom. The motion passed unanimously and Jackie Dawsey was asked to form a committee with volunteers, Glennie Murray, Evelyn Albach, Ruby Smith, and Mrs. Salvo to bring more facts to the AD. BD.

NEW BUSINESS
The S C United Methodist newspaper, THE ADVOCATE is being offered to church members at $11.50 per subscription if 10 or more sign up to receive it and will subscribe. A sheet was passed for members to sign.

PASTOR'S REPORT  Finishing the second month with us at Aldersgate, Rev. Vines reports a very busy time. Many exciting things are happening at Aldersgate and he regrets that he has been unable to visit in as many homes as he had hoped due to the many sicknesses and requests for visits from members of the congregation. He has also been involved in community out-reach programs such as his visits to Driftwood on the Ashley.

The focus of ministry at Aldersgate church should be:
1) WORSHIP - Each Sunday, together. It is the "hub" of our Spiritual motivation. It should be taken very seriously as renewal of our relationship to God.

2) CHURCH SCHOOL - Without a vibrant Church School bringing in new members, we are remiss in our duties as a church.

Rev. Vines asked that as leaders of our church we all promote our worship service and our Sunday School and we are asked to be a part of them. He also stressed THE ADVOCATE helps us stay "connected" with the conference and we should use this news media to help us be in touch with this larger concept of our church. He encouraged us to sign up for the Church Leadership Plan.
Fred Dawson, Chairperson, reported from their last meeting on February 2, 1992: New Plans
- Nursery now open during SS Hour
- Counsellors volunteering for help with Jr MYF once a month
- COE met and will reorganize library, have teacher appreciation breakfast 3/21, egg hunt, and VBS, Mothers Morning out
- Homecoming planned for 3/29
- Paper product needs should be reported to Elizabeth Vickers
- New church directory and pictorial directory
- Worship - Encouraged to sign up for flowers and as greeters
- Planning CMTE has met twice
- Amendment to JAN COM minutes from UMW has now been added
- UMW - Spring Morning Breakfast April 4 at Best Western, Speaker, Jenny Goodman, All are welcome
- UMM - Have organized, Rick Stello, President, Charter to be signed in April

UMYF Pam Marek thanked church for support of Sweetheart Luncheon and the donation by the UMM from the variety show. This money will be used to help fund a trip to Lake Junaluska this summer and other needs for the youth of our church. The youth are planning a 1 week program for the summer and do not plan to meet every week. They are also planning a program to be presented during the worship service in the near future.

EVANGELISM Don Cain reported we are visiting first time visitors to our church with a basket of bread, an UPPER ROOM, a brochure and any other "gift" our people would like to take along to make the family feel welcome at our church. Norma Pillow, Elaine White, and Virginia Barnes have offered to bake bread.

TRUSTEES Don Cain reported that the Trustees met after church on February 23 to approve a request from the Treasurer that we be able to "borrow" $2400 from the CPMF to pay for a new computer since as of Saturday morning, 2/22/92, the office is "shut-down" due to computer overload and failure. By unanimous decision, the Trustees voted to "lend" this $2400 until it could be paid back with special donations through an appeal to the congregation to get the office "back in business" on Monday morning, 2/24/92. Basketball goals shall be in place for the UMYF each Sunday evening before 6 p.m. and removed after MYF is over by volunteers or the Trustees. Trustees will install two pipes for the volleyball net as the youth will hang it as needed. Trustees have fixed threshold to ramp entrance to Sanctuary but await funds for automatic door closer. Funds were insured to offset cost by Mr. Fred Dawson at this meeting and Trustees will install them as soon as possible. There are two Sound Systems in the Fellowship Hall. One in the Podium and another in the ceiling. $395 was raised by special donation to improve on and add to the larger sound system. Trustees shall put in the church guidelines and how to obtain permission to use the larger sound system. The Trustees are looking for suggestions as to how to use the Salvo Street property now that we are not renting the house.
FINANCE  Becky Devereux, Treasurer, received a call Saturday from the Computer Technician that the computer was "down". As of that time the office has been "shut down". A new computer has been obtained from People's Computer: 386 SX with 80 m byte hard drive. We would also like to purchase a laser printer with this computer when the money comes in. Treasurer reported that we will request $2400 from the congregation to pay for the new computer and printer. The old computer will be restored and used as a word processor for the office. Fred Dawson made a motion that we increase the amount to $3000 to allow for training for our operator in Word Perfect 5.1 and UMIS 4.9 when classes become available. Pam Marek seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

B. Devereux reported that since 10 a.m. this morning, $950 has been pledged to the cost of the new equipment and Ben Mitchum applauded the courage and enthusiasm Ms. Devereux has shown "doing something on faith."

COUNCIL ON EDUCATION  Evelyn Albach met with her work group for 3 hours on Feb 6 and will meet again on Mar 5 t 7. Eva Florie will help with the new pictorial directory and Don DuGuid has taken pictures for the book. Breakfast for teachers will be held March 21 and the 18-30 age class met today with 2 present. They will continue to try with this age group.

Adjournment at 8:36 with prayer by Rev. Vines.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rita Sue B. Stello,
Recording Secretary
ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD - 3/30/1992

Meeting called to order by Ben Mitchum, Chairperson, with devotion and prayer. Roll called with attendance attached.

OLD BUSINESS

Mile of Pennies: We have reached our goal of "one mile of pennies" ($844) which have been used to pay our apportionment payment in the area of Camps and Retreats. Eddie May made a motion that we support another "mile of pennies" to be used in the same way. Seconded by Evelyn Albach and carried.

Naming of Educational Building: No report

MINISTER'S REPORT

Rev. Vines requested that the Housing Allowance Exclusion Resolution be signed and attached to these minutes. Unanimous approval to do so. Please find form attached.

"World of Savings" a program for fund raising was presented to Rev. Vines and it was requested that he share it with us. The program is under the leadership of Pat Robinson and after hearing the proposal the ADBD declined to be involved.

Worship at Aldersgate should be considered the most important purpose for our church. In modern times we present our bodies as a living sacrifice and therefore our presence at all worship services are important to build and sustain our relationship with God and with each other. Rev. Vines called on the ADBD members to work together in a ministry that places emphasis on the worship service and church school.

SPRC

Next Meeting will be held at the Parsonage on April 21st. Jean Smith requested that we run this notice in the HEARTWARMER along with the names of those serving on SPRC so that the congregation may contact them with compliments, suggestions or complaints prior to the meeting.

Parsonage improvements and repairs have all been completed except to paint the closets. Mr. Leon Neal met with Rev. Vines today to schedule a time for this to be done.

COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES

Aldersgate Callers: Appreciation was expressed for the great job of communicating church events our callers are doing.

Concerns: Attendance at AD BD and COM meetings. It was suggested we use signage in the Educational Building to use as a reminder to our board members.
Dates:  VBS - July 20-24, 9-12
       Wesley Fellowship at Citadel - April 13th, 6 p.m.
       Egg Hunt - April 11, 3-5
       College Students participate in service, May 1992

EDUCATION
Taped Sermons now available from Homecoming Sunday. We are
now educating some of our members to tape our sermons to make
them available for our sick and shut-in members.

Teacher Breakfast was attended by 19. Very successful and all
enjoyed the speaker. Those who helped were thanked.

COE will meet Thursday, April 2 at 7 p.m. in Library

CHURCH FAMILY
Questionnaire is being distributed during the morning worship
service polling the congregation on programs needs in our
church. These will go back to Elizabeth Vickers to compile

Upcoming Events include Estate planning program for our
elderly, Probate Seminar for our church members (September),
the continental breakfast next Sunday morning at 9, the Palm
Sunday "snack supper" before the Cantata at 7

U M N
Virginia May reported that all are welcome to attend General
Meeting Programs and the special outings each Sub-group is
planning. The UNW is involved in Meals on Wheels, collecting
food for LSS and for Remount Baptist food pantry, and a list
has been circulated listing needs for Wallace Family Life
Cntr.

U M Y F
Kiawah Island JR and SR MYF will go picnic this week-end

Atlanta SR MYF will travel on April 10, 11, 12 for Christian
Music Week-end, Six Flags, and Braves game.

Easter Sunrise Service at Yeamans Park, Breakfast together,
Church School and Worship at Aldersgate, No MYF that night.

T-Shirts for sale. Adult's $12, Children's $10. We'd like
to plan "T-Shirt" day some time in May, picnic, etc.

Thank you to the Trustees for moving our volleyball net up to
correct height. Basketball goals still being worked on.

Summer activities to include a "Youth Week" and every other
Wednesday evening meetings. Lake Junaluska, June 24-28.

TRUSTEES
Basketball Courts Goals still being worked on and hope to have
them in place soon.
Salvo Street House is now vacant and we are looking for suggestions as to its use. One suggestion is to make it our missions center for storage of collections for various missions supported by our church.

Ice machine is broken and to replace it will cost around $2500 for the size our church needs.

Sound System in Fellowship Hall guidelines are being written

**EVANGELISM**

Visitation Don Cain reports that 18 have volunteered to visit on Sundays our visitors in Worship.

**UMM**

Recharter UMM will recharter at our April 14 supper at 6:30. All men of the church are invited and encouraged to attend. All men of the church have been contacted by letter and phone call.

**FINANCE**

New Computer $2,819.00 of the needed $3,000 has been received and the finance committee is grateful. The Laser printer will soon be purchased and Mrs. Stello is receiving WP/5.1 training currently. No funds had to be borrowed from CPMF to pay for these things. Currently: $4460.71 in CPMF

Concerns Copy Machine in office can go out at any time and we need to begin thinking about purchasing a new one or an alternative to printing "in house."

Conference We have paid $5,118.16 of our $35,192.00 askings (14 %)

**NEW BUSINESS**

Staff Meeting each Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. in the Library. All church leaders are invited to attend.

UM Youth Singers from Plano, TX will perform at Aldersgate on June 26 at 7:30 p.m. We are asked to provide a meal for them on that Friday evening and to house 35 of them.

Nominations Committee will contact those absent to tell them we missed them and remind them of the date of our next meeting

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn was made by Thomas Lynch and seconded. Motion carried and meeting adjourned with prayer at 8:40.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rita Sue B. Stello, Recording Secretary
The Council On Ministries met on 04-05-92 with 14 members present. Fred opened the meeting with a prayer at 4:05 PM.

The minutes from our last meeting (03-01-92) were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS & WORKSHOPS-

Jr. MYF Counselors: Counselors are still needed for the months of JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, and NOVEMBER. Another announcement will be placed in the bulletin.

Campus Ministry & Higher Education: Carol Poole reports we are responsible for refreshments on April 13, 1992. A sign up list was circulated for volunteers for food.

Easter Egg Hunt: Scheduled for April 11, 1992, 3-5pm.

Vacation Bible School: A director & teacher workshop will be held April 26, 1992 at John Wesley UMC from 3-5pm. July 20-24 VBS, UMW will do refreshments.

Church Directory: First organizational meeting today at 3:00 pm. Pictures will be taken 5th-8th of May. Volunteer workers are needed during the periods 2:15-5:30 & 5:30-9:30pm each day. Contact Eva Florie @ 747-4229, Chairperson.

NEW BUSINESS

Charleston Interfaith Crisis Ministry: Requested financial support for the Emergency Relief & Capital Fund. They need $20,000 for 1992. All contributions of $100.00 will be matched by a Business and Professional Donor Advised Fund of the Trident Community Foundation. Missions is an unbudgeted area this year. This will be forward to Ollie Stullenbarger for further action.

Lutheran Social Services: In need of clothing and shoes and wants to know if any circles would be interested in providing a meal once each month for LSS. The UMW directly support LSS and so does Sunday School Classes. This request will be forward to UMW for further action.

Gideons: Have asked to take part in a service at Aldersgate. This request will go to the Worship Committee for action.

Mile of Pennies: This has been continued under the direction of Jean Smith by the Administrative Board (3/30/92) to fund "Camps and Retreats"; apportionments line item in Budget.

United Methodist Men: Will recharter on April 14, 1992 - COM needs a representative from UMM on COM. Motion made and seconded and all in favor.

Epworth Childrens Home: There was much discussion concerning
Sunday School offering on the first Sunday of each month being used to support Epworth along with Mother's Day and Work Day offering. This will be discussed with Finance.

**Brainstorming:** A long discussion followed the thought of becoming more efficient during our many meetings and to reduce the number of meetings we attend. Education was singled out as an example of the number of hours spent in meetings, i.e. Education--COM--ADMIN. BD. How can we begin to combine our time; meet less but be more effective. Rev. Vines presented the idea of 5 major Areas; Education, Worship, Evangelism, Missions, Stewardship as a main body of interorganization that all members can be a working part of. Generally decided was to make an attempt with this Grouping and place COM members in these 5 areas as applicable and work during the COM meeting time. Another suggestion to met the ADMIN. DB. after the COM resulted in a schedule as follows; COM 3-4:30 then Admin. Bd. meet 4:30-5:30. To accomplish this all must be on their toes and PLAN. Our next meeting will be a PILOT meeting.

The following reports were handed in:

**Patsy Pross - Worship** - Easter Cantata April 12, 1992, 7:00 pm, Communion Service April 16, 1992, 7:30 pm, Sunrise Service 6:30 am April 19, 1992 at Yeamans Presbyterian Church. New acolytes to be installed April 12, 1992 during 11:00 am service.


**Doris Sullivan- Adult Ministries** - preliminary planning for second Annual Christmas Festival and Bazaar for December 5th from 12 to 6:00pm. It was consensus of many that last year should have been a little longer in time. Meals on Wheels: All Adult Sunday School Classes and UMW raised $440 to support one person. Career Class now has 15 members with average of 6-10. Donated to Meals on Wheels, currently studying Lukes account of Holy week up to resurrection. Brabham Class: prepared meals for the Infinger and Whaley families, gave memorial to Nellie Whaley, working with shut-ins and studying Life of Christ, donated to Meals on Wheels. Mens Bible Class: Donated to Meals on Wheels and made several donations to Memorial Fund and trying to support families of recently deceased persons. Wesley Fellowship: Supported Meals on Wheels, gave various memorials, supported Good Samaritan Mission, Lutheran Social Services and choir robes. Christian Homebuilders: Gave $100 to computer fund, supported Meals on Wheels, set up tables for various church functions and worked several Citadel games and functions to raise funds.
Asbury Fellowship Class: Made house payment for a church family, provided temporary shelter for young man in need, feeding the needy, building African Violet stand, various odd jobs for older persons, BBQ approximately $860 profit, supported trip to Myrtle Beach and Meals on Wheels and Lutheran Social Services with food.

Don Cain - Evangelism - No report handed in.

Virginia May - UMW - reported $100 donated to Meals on Wheels, Spring Morning Breakfast April 4, 1992 with 24 attending, Vignettes on women for whom circles in UMW named, given during am worship service; First Aid Kit being upgraded; box(es) being assembled for Wallace Family Life; provided 2 meals for UMY; worked with family coordinator in putting together Homecoming; provided meals for Infinger and Whaley families. Spring Retreat at Junaluska - May 1-3 with 4 or 5 planning to attend, September 26, 1992 Dinner-Silent Auction, Christmas Dinner December 8, 1992. Had guest speaker on March 25 Linda Gadson from Rural Mission and Rev Mi Young Paik of Folly Beach UMC at March General Meeting. Mrs. Jennie Goodman was speaker at Spring Morning Breakfast April 4, 1992.

Elizabeth Vickers - FAMILY - No report handed in.

Jean Smith - SPRC - Names of members of committees published in Newsletter & bulletin before SPRC meets so any congregation member who "has something" they want the committee to be aware of, could speak to a committee member in advance of meeting April 21, 1992 7pm.

Joan Duncan - COMMUNICATIONS - No report handed in.

Mary King - YOUTH - No report turned in.

Jean Doscher - HEALTH & WELFARE - reported on Red Cross Disaster Response Class.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred A. Dawson
Chairperson COM

FC/Church/COMMNO4.DOC
The Administrative Board meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. with 27 present. Roll was taken and minutes read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS None

MINISTER'S REPORT
The first six months have been busy with getting to know the congregation, building trusts and working relationships through our many meetings, and making plans for a positive plan to move forward into 1993. Our "Planning Committee" will soon resume to create a 1-5 year plan for our church and a 5-10 year vision. Two immediate goals are crucial: 250 in Worship on Sunday mornings and 150 in church school: and increasing our church membership from 600 to 800 in the next 5 years. The Nominating Committee will meet soon to begin the thought process for church leaders for 1993. 1992 leaders are to be commended for excellent performance. Minister will take vacation the week of July 3-11. He will be out of the pulpit on July 5th. The Rev. Paul Petty will be our speaker at the 11 a.m. service. The minister gave a report from annual conference. The SC UM's spoke out against "mercy killing" and legalized gambling in the state. We are anxiously awaiting July for the vote to elect a Bishop from SC. Our last Bishop was elected in 1960.

SPRC
Jean Smith reported on a letter received from the DS which stated Rev. Vines reappointment to Aldersgate for the '92-'93 year. The Caretaker's house is in need of some repairs and the Trustees were asked to look into this project. Sue Stello stated for the record that as the buildings of the church are the responsibility of the Trustees, the burden of upkeep falls on the entire congregation.

TRUSTEES
The new ice machine has been ordered and the total price comes to $2058. We have enough for an $800 down payment and the balance will come due in 90 days. We have faith that donations will continue and we'll pay the balance in due time. Policy for the Sound System in the Fellowship Hall will be written and placed in guidelines for the church. The Trustees are now involved in renovating the church office with donations of material and labor by a local company. The Trustees thanked Rick Stello for his time and effort. Nothing has been done to the Salvo Street property. The halls were waxed with a high-gloss shine by a vendor this past week in an effort to see how long a wax shine like this will last. If it lasts as long as expected, we may consider not purchasing special floor buffing equipment, but hire this job out twice a year and keep
the shine with water washing. Toilets valves are being replaced as needed.

COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES

Worship Flower Calendar still has three dates available for 1992: AUG 2, SEPT 6, and SEPT 20. Gladys Jones has requested volunteers for hosts for upcoming Sundays.

Education reports a new Sunday School Class being formed for our young adults. Eunice Longsine is helping coordinate this group for 18-35 year old members. Caroline Vines is now the teacher for the High School Class. A singles group now meets at our church every other Saturday night. Some of our members attend. VBS will be July 20-24 from 9-12. Karen Crosby is still searching for a teacher for our 4 year class and a music coordinator. We will rent a sign for the week before our VBS. Becky Devereux will help with this. Plans for our Salvo Street House include searching for a person who will work in the area of music, youth, and children’s ministry in exchange for living there. Education Department encourages the TRUSTEES to look into improvement for our library. There will be an organized activity for our college students before they return to school at the end of the summer.

Stewardship reports the need for about $1,000 to pay for the new ice maker. The Nominating Committee will meet soon to discuss Stewardship through Time and Talents, and a slate of officers for 1993.

Missions Ollie Stullenbarger plans to move our Missions Collection Center from the Library to Educational Building Hall. Boxes will be placed marked with the name of the Mission and the needs there. When Boxes are full, volunteers will be asked to make delivery.

UMW September 26th has been set for the Annual Dinner and Silent Auction. The UMW also urge all church members to be responsible when storing paper products; to place them in plastic to insure their cleanliness for users.

Evangelism Those who visit call on our visitors will meet together to improve our program and the Aldersgate Callers will meet to discuss smaller geo-zones and share ideas. Scholarships are now being given to our college students by the Christian Homebuilders to help with fees and travel.

Finance Committee Becky Devereux reports that our Financial situation looks positive. We still hope to pay 100% apportionments. We were able to pay for our new A/C in the office area without asking the congregation thanks to our CPMF established last year. The Finance committee has made a recommendation that we increase this year’s budget by $1000. 500 to SECRETARY SALARY and 500 to CONTINGENCY. Thomas Lynch made the motion. Seconded by Clyde Wilkerson and passed unanimously. The Finance Committee is beginning work on our Financial Plan for 1993. We hope it will reflect our goals and wishful accomplishments.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. with prayer. Next meeting, July 12
Sue Stello, Recording Sec.
Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Ben Mitchum, Chairperson with 29 present and 9 excused. We welcomed two visitors.

Roll call taken and minutes read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

No reports.

NEW BUSINESS

Three letters were read and shared with Board:

Jean Smith shared a letter from parents from two young people from Plano, TX, thanking our church for the hospitality extended during their visit to Charleston.

Letter from Rev. Vines to Rick and Sue Stello was read, thanking them for their work done in the refurbishing of the church office.

Letter of resignation was received by Jackie Dawson, Church Historian.

Two of these letters are attached to these minutes.

MINISTER’S REPORT

Rev. Vines reported on his vacation. He stated that the church is working well together through our Staff Meetings and committees. He thanked church leaders who are lending a hand while Lefty has been ill. All are asked to continue to make attendance at Church School and worship a priority. Visitation by pastor is still on-going. Rev. Vines is happy to report that the giving has not fallen off for summer. Relationships within our church are positive and good. We all have a responsibility to have good relationships.

S P R C

Jean Smith reported that their next meeting will be July 21 at 7. They hope to produce a tentative budget for 1993 at this meeting. (Their part of the Financial Goal Plan for 1993)

TRUSTEES

Don Cain reported that the Ice Maker is now installed and Trustees will meet on Thursday of this week. Repairs to the Caretaker's House and the Salvo Street House will cost $1,750 and $1,225 to paint and repair. These costs will be discussed on Thursday evening. A/C on the 2nd floor of the ED Bldg is not cooling. We hope to recharge them to fix the problem. Toilets will be replaced as we can afford them. One will be replaced in the
Ladies Rest Room this week.

C O M Fred Dawson reported for Chairpersons of the Committees of the Council on Ministries:

UMM: Fish Fry. July 14th. Ladies welcome. 6:30

Education: Vacation Bible School will be July 20-24. All are urged to help and support in any way they can. Pathfinders SS class will present a musical during the 11 a.m. service on August 2. MYF'ers will participate as well. August 30 is Promotion Sunday.

Christmas Festival: Second Annual will be held December 5th. All are asked to support Doris Sullivan in this effort to raise funds for apportionments. First planning meeting will held in August.

UMW: Will hold their annual dinner and Silent Auction on Saturday, September 26th. $5 for adults, $3.50 for children

FINANCE Becky Deveraux reports that money in the Building Fund is low. We also budgeted half of our Conference Support payment in 1992. If we hope to pay over 80% to "beat last year" we will have to have extra fund above the 92 budget. We have $5,800.00 in the CPMF, some of which may be used for repairs mentioned by Trustees. It is also nice not to see "negative" numbers in our bulletin each week.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ben Mitchum observed that there is not near the animosity at our meetings and around our church as there was last year. We have passed the point of hard feelings.

Eddie May commended Ben Mitchum and thanked him for being a good leader.

Meeting adjourned at 5 p.m. with prayer.

Evelyn Albach,  
Acting recording Secretary
Meeting called to order by Ben Mitchum, Chairperson. Roll called with 30 present. Minutes read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS
Chairperson requested we hear old and new business at the end of the meeting.

MINISTER'S REPORT
The Charleston Set-Up meeting for Ministers was held July 27th. Among items discussed:

- Apportionments for 1993
- Charge Conference Date: September 20, 1992 6 p.m.
- Charge Conference forms issued
- Advocate, Epworth, Spart Meth Col, and the Methodist Homes were among those requesting funds and support of the local church

The NOMINATING COMMITTEE will meet Monday, Aug 3 at 7 for the selection of officers and leaders for 1993. Rev. Vines requests input from members in the form of suggestions for these positions and asks those who do not wish to serve in 1993 in the position they are currently serving to please notify us.

CHURCH FINANCING is sometimes a negative thing in a church. Sometimes it can cause strife and tension. Keeping a Christian attitude toward good stewardship is the key to alleviate problems. Our income is good but not as good as we'd like. The Finance Committee working hard. The 1993 plan for our church will not be "pledging to a budget", but pledging on the basis of our monthly or weekly income and preferably 10% of that income. The Bible calls it tithing in the Old Testament. The New Testament tells of "giving as you have been given." Rev. Vines continued that as members we do not need to know the budget to make a pledge of commitment to Jesus Christ. It is irrelevant. What is relevant is what we make and what we will share with Christ's Church. We want to move from a church in financial crisis to "Faith Giving."

Aldersgate Church is being a good steward of your money. We organize it in the form of a budget to organize our spending.

If we will all tithe and give on faith, we will have more money that we need, and we'll find ourselves meeting to decide how to spend the over abundance of money, to the Glory of God.

Our function in the church is not to "protect pocketbooks." Never does a church give more than it has to.

The purpose of this discussion is to prevent our church from "bogging down" and quarrelling over money.

FOCUS '93 will be presented in the near future. Some very hard and important decisions need to be made about our church:
What kind of church do we want to be or to become?
What is our role in it's development?
Once we were 800 member church and now we are less than 600.

The floor was opened for comments and questions about Rev. Vines statements:

1. **HOW CAN I BEGIN TITHING?**
   It is a choice and decision that one has to make. Katherine Dawson offered that if one tithes, one's needs will be met. She suggested one try it for six weeks to begin.

2. **VALARIE WOODS SUGGESTED A SERMON ON TITHING.**
   Rev. Vines responded that such sermons make some members angry. Perhaps testimony from some of our members who believe in tithing will be effective.

3. **CAROL POOLE offered that it is the responsibility of the member to tithe and the responsibility of our Finance Committee to be good stewards of that money.**

4. **VIRGINIA MAY ASKED ABOUT THOSE WHO GIVE PART OF THEIR TITHE TO OTHER CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS.**
   Rev. Vines suggests that we must be careful that we are giving in faith to Jesus Christ and not for earthly rewards or recognition.

**COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES**

**EDUCATION AUG 30** - Promotion Sunday
- COM and AD BD
  - 9 - "Off to College" Luncheon
  - 31 - Wesley Foundation at Citadel
    Rev. Annette Coker Edwards will officiate

**CHURCH FAMILY NOV 22** - Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner after church

**EVANGELISM**

Our Church Brochure is being revised and more "Home Visitors" are needed to call on our "First Time Visitors".

**UMW**

September 26 will be the Annual Dinner and Silent Auction. UMW District meeting will be held September 19th. Not at our church.

**UMM**

The UMM will have their monthly supper on August 11 at 6:30 and are planning a church supper at the end of August.

**FINANCE**

The next Finance Committee will meet on August 26th at 7. We are still interested in paying at least 80% of our apportionments and are reminded that we have only included half of the amount in our 1992 Budget. We are also reminded how important it is to donate when we can to the CPMF.
OLD BUSINESS

A letter received by the AD BD in 1991 was re-read requesting that the Educational Building be named "BATES-HORNE". Some of our elderly members responded to the letter last year and earlier this year. Those responses have been attached. Our Church Historian and Rev. McKay Brabham also submitted reports that are attached. The findings of all these parties led the AD BD to believe that there were many responsible for the building we now refer to as the Aldersgate United Methodist Church Educational Building. VIRGINIA MAY made a motion that we not name the Educational Building after any specific individuals. EVELYN ALBACH seconded. Discussion was entertained and MARSHALL LAPRADE offered that there were just too many persons who made contributions at that time to honor only a few. After more discussion question was called and the motion carried in a unanimous vote. The AD BD Chairperson and the Secretary will write a letter to the Thompsons explaining the action of the Board in response to their letter. That letter shall also be attached to these minutes.

There being no further business, motion for adjournment was entertained at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Sue Bennett-Stello,
Recording Secretary
ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD - AUG 30, 1992

Ben Mitchum, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 4:30 with roll call. 33 present and 8 excused. Minutes read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS
JOE CATLIN asked the status of the basketball goals for the UMYF. The TRUSTEES stated that they will put them in place by 6 p.m. each Sunday upon request of the UMYF leaders. The leaders request them in place by September 13th.

CAROL POOLE, Higher Education, thanked all who have contributed food for the Wesley Foundation at the Citadel.

SUE STELLO reported that a letter had been written to the Thompson Family concerning the naming of the Educational Building. The letter was read and attached to these minutes.

NEW BUSINESS
No report.

MINISTER'S REPORT
Nominating Committee has met and begun to fill leadership positions for 1993. We hope to finalize this process by September 20. We hope to offer training programs for our new officers and work area chairpersons through a workshop in January and through literature available through the Conference.

Faith Giving and Sharing is encouraged as a means of church financial support in 1993.

Members are asked to please alert the church office of members who are ill or in need of a visit.

FINANCE REPORT
SUE STELLO has available expenditures to date for any work area in need of this information.

STEWARDSHIP
SUE STELLO reported that 75 school kits were sent to Rural Mission and we are now receiving funds for UMCOR, specifically for ANDREW Relief.

SPRC
JEAN SMITH sent a report that states that the SPRC met on April 20 to discuss their budget or 1993. Their budget was approved by the SPR Committee and has been sent to the Finance Committee with the recommendation that it be approved and submitted at Charge Conference.

TRUSTEES
DON CAIN reports that on September 3 at 9 a.m. a representative of the local Seabees will meet with members of the church to discuss
repairs to the Salvo St house and the Caretakers house. DON CAIN requests that lunch be provided the workers by CHURCH FAMILY.

JAMES OVERBY suggested that the TRUSTEES might ask the Seabees to help repair our basketball goals.

COM
FRED DAWSON reports that the Financial Planning for the COM for 1993 has been submitted to the Finance Committee.

Charge Conference is September 20 and the COM invite all church members to attend and arrive at 5:30 for light refreshments and fellowship before the meeting.

UMW September 26 will be the Annual Dinner and Silent Auction. All UMW members are asked to donate at least two items for this sale to be held at 6 p.m.

UMW thanked all who helped and supported the Country Western night. Approximately $750 was raised for the CPMF.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL Second annual, will be held on December 5. Will be chaired by DORIS SULLIVAN with support from the COM and other church members. Planning meeting set for OCT 1 at 7 p.m. in the library.

EDUCATION EVELYN ALBACH sent a report that 2 Bibles were awarded to our rising third graders this morning and that Promotion Sunday went well.

EVANGELISM DON CAIN reports that they will be decreasing the size of our geo-zone and hope to fashion support groups among our members.

UM Y F will sponsor a spaghetti lunch after church on October 18 to benefit their upcoming programs.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue B - Secretary
Recording Secretary
Meeting called to order by Fred Dawson, Chairperson. Attendance taken and minutes read. Rev. Vines introduced the new Administrative Council stressing that the purpose is for program planning and ministries of the church. He reminded that all planning should lead to action. The areas of work are: NURTURING, to nurture and feed our congregation. OUTREACH, to lead us into becoming of service in our community. AGE LEVEL, ministers to children, youth, and families. WITNESS, evangelism and making vital witness in our world. Additional persons may be added as needed. Rev. Vines stated that the entire STAFF is here to serve our volunteer staff of the Administrative Council.

F. Dawson shared the organizational structure of the Ad. Council and a copy is attached.

Sue Stello was elected recording secretary.
Carol Poole was elected vice-chairperson.
Both by unanimous yea.

The Administrative Council shall meet every 1st Sunday at 4:00 p.m. when not a "holiday" week-end at which time we will opt for the following Sunday. JAN, MAR, MAY, JUL, SEP, NOV are to be meetings of the entire Council. FEB, APR, JUN, AUG, OCT, DEC are to be meetings of the "streamline" version (or leaders of the work areas) who will call to meet with them, those needed to fulfill current ministries.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

S. Stello
1. Meeting called to order by Ben Mitchum, Chairperson, with 27 present. Devotion and prayer by Rev. Vines. Roll taken, minutes read, amended, and accepted.

2. Treasurer report given as attached. $ 598.56 left in VAN account. This represents one more payment. We are currently receiving extra gifts for the van from our congregation. CPMF totals $ 8,388.25. Our goal is $ 10,000 to be prepared for major "catastrophes."

3. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

TRUSTEES - Charles Vickers painted the stripes in the parking lot. 2 rooms at the caretaker's house have been painted and 2 more will be. Some repairs to the bathroom are planned. The poles on the basketball court have been painted. The TRUSTEES are looking for approval by the COUNCIL to "rent" the Salvo St house to a needy family in the congregation for a minimal donation. The water meter will have to be moved, the electricity placed in the name of the occupant, and about $200 worth of improvements. Motion was made by Chuck Spurgin, seconded by Ernest Hoencck. Amended by Evelyn Albach that we charge at least $ 100 per month. The TRUSTEES will set the criteria for living in the house and who will be eligible. It was suggested this be in writing. The TRUSTEES will formulate this document. Motion passed as amended with 2 opposed. Southern Vinyl has given us an estimate to place vinyl on the parsonage. Remodeling Specialists gave the same bid -$100 to install vinyl siding, plus repair leaks in roof, include windows with vinyl, paint columns, and install a ridge vent. We do not have the $ 3,300 at this time. We may begin the repairs as the money becomes available and then install vinyl siding.

NOMINATIONS - Rev. Vines reported from the NOM CMTE the names of Don Cain and Viola Singletary to serve on the PPRC. Accepted by AD COUNCIL, unanimously.

PPRC - James Overby states the committee will revise job descriptions of STAFF and they will do evaluations of STAFF before the budget process begins in late summer. Annual walkthrough of parsonage to be done soon.

FINANCE - Two recommendations to AD COUNCIL.

(a) That we be able to use the $1000 bequest for van payments this year if needed.

(b) That the UNDESIGNATED HONORARIUMS and the UNDESIGNATED MEMORIALS be used for loan payments for the VAN or the RENOVATION LOAN as needed.
Both passed unanimously. Doris Sullivan made motion, second by James Overby.

4. PLANNING AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORTS

NURTURE - Carol Poole thanked Jean Doscher for the work done to recognize the graduates. VBS meeting will be Monday, June 6 to make more plans. Publicity will begin soon and we plan to have a clown for the children on Sunday, June 17 at the "kick-off" Ice Cream Social. We continue to encourage participation in Sunday School. This morning's total was 102. Ben Mitchum was thanked for his work in Stewardship on the "CATCH-UP SUNDAY" campaign. We have scheduled acolytes through the end of 1994 and the usher program is being looked into.

OUTREACH - Joan Duncan reported mission updates from Betty O'Steen: Florence Crittenton - $250 + gifts Killingsworth - $47 so far June Mission is Conference Apportionments UMW gave $55 to HOSPICE in May.

AGE LEVEL and FAMILY COORDINATOR - No report

5. ESTABLISHED GROUPS

UMW - Were represented at UMW Conference in May. Mother/Daughter Supper planned for June. Some will attend School of Mission in Spartanburg in July. August 28 will be Women in the Pulpit Sunday and they will host Hanahan's Strategic Planning Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner on September 1 and 2. They will serve dinner to VBS one night.

UMM - 22 attended supper in May. All men are invited to UMM. Made $30 at the rummage sale. Will take items to Ladson and try again. Will use $200 to work on Men's Rest Room in Educational Building. Will serve supper to VBS on Monday, July 18. UMM would like to host a concert on September 23. Don Cain will head this effort.

YOUTH - Rick Stello reported approximately 12 regulars, a good trip to CAROWINDS, a successful fund raiser for that trip, and plans to attend LAKE JUNALUSKA, August 4-7.

6. MINISTER'S REPORT - Rev. Vines said he was delighted to be returning to Aldersgate for another year. Extra visitation is being done and a study into inactive members, based on a book from Fraser Memorial UMC. We still need volunteers to develop a visiting team. He and Thelma Lynch will prepare a report from Annual Conference and he encouraged all members to consider subscribing to the ADVOCATE. $14.25 per year.
7. REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS AND MINISTRIES - Sue Stello will make her Quarterly Status Report to PPRC and the Minister. New Business will be reported under OTHER BUSINESS.

8. OTHER BUSINESS - Options for Advertising were discussed and it was recommended to the EVANGELISM committee to run our ad in the Post Courier, the Hanahan News, and the N Chas News starting in July. Also to run as many news articles as possible. Rick Stello will represent our church for the District Habitat for Humanity House project. He stated he will attend the first meeting and bring back information to the church. A show of hands for support of our hosting the Christmas Festival this year resulted in majority support of this undertaking.

9. Meeting adjourned at 6 p.m. with Lord’s Prayer led by B. Mitchum.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Stello, Recording Secretary
ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL  7/9/95

1. Meeting called to order at 4 p.m. with 21 present. Roll taken and minutes approved. Devotion by Dan Gross, Chairman.

2. OLD BUSINESS  No report

3. TREASURER’S REPORT B. Devereux reported a total of $10,207 of $40,000 sent to conference so far this year. $42.50 in van fund. Our payment is 490.90 per month.
   OP FUND EQUITY = $3,366.53
   BLD FND EQUITY = $2,487.33

4. PPRC welcomed Rev. Culp and Tranny Gartside, organist. Planning a drop-in at Parsonage this fall to receive donations for fund raiser. Maintenance at parsonage almost complete.

5. COMMITTEE on NOMINATIONS  Rev. Culp would like to see us go back to having a COM and AD Board. COM will serve as a planning session for our church. Next meeting for NOM CMTE will be August 10, 7 p.m. in the Library.

6. TRUSTEES  A partial refund on the Sanctuary front doors is sought, Glennie Murray will be asked to help see to van care, sound system to receive attention (getting interference and at back of church, hard to hear.) Motion made by M. Smith that we install and Heat and air in Social Hall and move doors. Seconded by J. Dawsey. ($6,800) passed 10-5. Motion to Finance Committee by D. Sullivan to appeal to church members for donations and use the CPMF and put it back. Seconded by M. Smith and carried. Parsonage work complete.

7. MISSIONS  Betty O’Steen reported that $520 had been collected for the parsonage fund and 123.60 returned to be used later. In July we’ll collect cans for Remount and in August, school kits for the children at Rural Mission. We will cook a meal for the homeless sometime this fall.

8. EVANGELISM  Sylvia Gross is sending notes and helping the minister organize and visit using the established GEO-ZONES.

9. AGE LEVEL  Carol Poole sent a report about VBS, to be held July 24-28, 6:30-9 to include supper, crafts, and Bible Study for the entire family. VBS Finale/Worship Service to be held July 30 at 11:00.

10. UMM  Luke Poole sent report that UMM will meet on the 18th of July for supper and will serve supper at VBS one night.

11. UMW  Doris Sullivan reported that Mother/Daughter salad supper went well, they will cook for VBS supper, and 2 will attend school of Christian Mission. They will hold Fall Festival on September 30.
12. UMYF S. Stello reported for J. Bennett that UMYF are involved in collective ministry in July with other churches in District. July 9, 16, 23, and the 30th will meet at Aldersgate.

13. COMMUNICATIONS S. Stello reported ads being run in 3 papers, articles will appear about German choir and VBS soon.

14. MINISTER'S REPORT Rev. Culp thanked everyone for kindnesses received since her arrival. Volunteerism at Aldersgate is impressive. Happy to be at Aldersgate.

15. NEW BUSINESS We shall not change dates for the AD COUNCIL meeting at this time.

S. Stello
Recording Sec.
ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL  12-3-1995

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. with devotion and prayer by Chairman, Dan Gross. Minutes read and approved. 25 present.

OLD BUSINESS:  Report on choir robes. Agreed to purchase five robes and use memorial funds to pay for them. Motion made by Don Cain and seconded by Ed Miller, passed unanimously.

FINANCE:  B. Devereux reported a good month in November. $ 5,500 in our CPMF. 100% Camps and Retreats have been paid. Cmte recommends we pay all money to Conference at the end of 1995 except $1,000. Motion made by B. Devereux and seconded by Rev. Culp. After discussion motion passed.

TRUSTEES:  Listed some repairs and improvements they would like to make to the caretaker’s house, the Educational Building, and the Sanctuary in 1996. They are seeking a credit line with NBSC to fund these projects.

PPRC:  Don Cain reported a retirement party will be held for Carlisle Thigpen on December 27 and a love offering will be received and presented. Charles Vickers will be the groundskeeper in 1996. PPRC recommended a $150 Christmas bonus for the local church employees. Don Cain made the motion, seconded by E. Hoenck. Passed unanimously.

UMM:  Put up the Chrismon Tree

UMW:  Have their annual Christmas dinner this Tuesday. (Added on 12-7-95: Doris Sullivan and Betty Strickland were given special membership pins.) UMW will cater Charleston District Pastors’ supper on December 7 and the reception for C. Thigpen.

CHURCH FAMILY:  Children will sing at the worship service on Dec 17 and their Christmas party in December 10.

WORSHIP:  Pat Pross thanked everyone for helping place the tree and decorate the sanctuary. Tree taken down on January 5. Volunteers needed.

EVANGELISM:  Sylvia Gross reported that attendance is up on Sundays and some inactives are back. Members have volunteered to help visit those in hospitals.


MINISTER’S REPORT:  Rev. Culp received notice from the owner of the corner lot of Edison and Remount who wants to sell it to the church. Trustees will look into this.

NEW BUSINESS:  S. Stello reported the N. Chas Homeless Center has
an opening to cook for their guests on the fifth Wednesday of the month in 1996. Motion made by Doris Sullivan, seconded by Betty O'Steen and passed unanimously. (Added 12-7-95: Confirmed at center, who were appreciative.)

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

S. Stello, recording secretary
The Administrative Board meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Dan Cross. He gave a devotional. There were twenty board members present.

The January board minutes were approved.

REPORTS:

Director of programming was excused.

Finance: Becky Devereux reports the year totals of $156,632.87. $27,684.75 of that amount went to Conference. We're a little over budgetwise so we took care of a few bills at the first of the year. We saved $1500.00 at the end of the year. We also sent a $775.00 check for choir robes that was taken out of the memorial fund. We have seven choir robes with twelve stoles. We sent $200.00 to Conference in January.

Council on Ministries: Rick Stello reported on the Remount Rd. property. Rick contacted Mr. Villipontea on the advantage of donating the property to the church. He wasn't receptive or non-receptive. He hasn't tried to sell it long enough yet. He did tell me what he would be asking for it and said he'd be interested in financing it. Rick will stay in contact with Barry McLaurin through the Remount Rd. Asso. Barry mentioned it might be some grant money available for securing it by the Asso. or by a group that would be interested in purchasing it. Mr. Villipontea is renting right now.

The Mission of the month is Wallace Family Life. Rick commends Betty Pearson, the new Mission Coordinator, for the good job that she did in January.

Ben Mitchum reported on his experience at the shelter. He represented the U.M.M. They fed chili to nineteen people and they were very appreciative. The shelter was small; a maximum of four people could stand behind the counter. After the people were fed, they lined up for beds and instructions. The ages were mid-twenties to forties. The high demand was for catsup and hot sauce. They had leftovers of chili that would be enjoyed through the next few cold days. Next time anyone goes, take everything you need to serve and serve with.

The Youth will meet twice a month.

In Programs, Pat Wanstreet sent dates for Vacation Bible School to be July 21-26. More information will follow.

The Council on Ministries have been meeting every two weeks since the first of the year. Three concerns have been emphasized. First, more community outreach, need of adding younger members to our church roll, and the need to do a better job of caring for our existing congregation. Some ideas that fall under outreach would be a Latchkey program, Senior Citizen Care and the Shalom Zone. Second, Increase Membership and add a new young adult class. Rev. Culp excitedly gave the teacher's name as Mary Ann Weber. This is important as it may bring in children for Sunday School classes and Nursery, thus the need may come for more teachers, etc.
We need to upgrade the toys with perhaps some donations and clean up the nursery a little. There is a need to upgrade the facility for the three-five year old class room and first-forth grade class rooms with paint, lighting, and carpet wherever needed. Projected cost will be $1500.00. Sue Stello and other volunteers will probably help with this. The target date for this is Homecoming, 96. To promote this thirty to forty people might be invited to a breakfast. The group recommended starting a children's music program. We have selected and acquired volunteers to work with the children on Sunday mornings, and hymnals have been ordered. The cost is $4.95 each. We were also asked to implement a time for children in the worship service. Third, Seek and Save, to follow up on inactive members. This is not an effort to strike people from the church roll. It is to get them back to church or find out why they're not here. The Council on Ministries will continue to brainstorm, do our homework, get all the facts and figures together and bring them back to you. We need to be supportive of each other, be it Council on Ministries or any other group. We're trying to do what is best for Aldersgate. If anyone has any knowledge of the latchkey program or whatever, please let us know.

Trustees: Marshall Smith reported that the U.M.M. are working to purchase a street sign that has been approved by the Trustees. An estimate will be given. Marshall is getting an estimate on renewing our sewer line that extends from the educational building to the street. We will soon be removing the covers off of the stained glass windows of the sanctuary to clean them. Rev. Culp checked with the Insurance Co. and we can leave the covers down and still they will cover for breakage, etc. The materials are in and American Pipe will replace posts in the near future.

Ben submitted that we fire the contractor that is supposed to be working on our heater. We've waited three months for repairs. The delay was that the parts had been shipped but we haven't heard from them. Marshall will check on this tomorrow morning. On the Salvo St. eviction, we tried, but felt we were taken advantage of. They have moved out. Rev. Culp said we have tried to help these people in many different ways and she has felt the same. We contacted a real estate agency and the real estate agent had him move out Friday morning. Rick has said he will make necessary repairs to rent it again. We all need to pray for the people that lived there and pray for ourselves because of feeling like we've been taken advantage of. Projected cost may be up to $500.00. (paint, sheetrock, door, etc.) The church has a $500.00 tax bill on the house and the last light bill was $150.00. It is included in the rent but we're not going to do that next time. We're not sure about figures on everything. This was the status on the 31st of January. It was referred back to the Trustees to make a recommendation on the Salvo St. house.
U.M.M.: Rick reported that food will be taken to the shelter on the 31st. of Jan. Their next meeting will be on the 16th at 6:30.

Trustees: Marshall Smith reported on the new hall ceiling. Ernest Hoenck and he re-arranged the lighting and materials are ordered to replace five posts outside. More work will be done when money is available. Property numbers are ordered for Lefty's house to meet with North Charleston regulations (four numbers with white background - 1444 A).

Youth: Sue reported a basketball team for Aldersgate. The youth will collect money in soup cans on Super Bowl Sunday for Lutheran Social Services. They will have a fund raiser in the form of service (cutting lawns etc.) to raise money to go to Atlanta Fest 96 at Six Flags in Ga. An overnight retreat is planned for the youth at James Island and they will meet only twice a month this year.

Minister's Report: Rev. Culp reported that the collaborative ministry meeting was in Holly Hill. Nine churches were invited. A program called Percept, hired by the Conference, did study and statistics and found, there are more people between the ages 15-34 in this area, Hanahan is above the average in high school graduates, and there are more females than males etc. Do we want to be involved in collaborative ministry? There will be a meeting Feb. 9 in Columbia. Rev. Culp likes the idea of collaborating but not writing checks. There is a meeting tonight at Cherokee. Shalom is a getting out into the community type of ministry. It has multi-racial impetus. It originally started by the Methodists. The Superintendent has asked that she recommend someone to serve on the Conference Boards this year. Becky Devereux, Dan Gross and Mike Culp were nominated.

Last comment - Sue reminded us about being a connected church and bringing community involvement into our church. She mentioned that a small school close by does not have a Latchkey program. We need a Education Chairperson and a committee to check into details.

Rev. Culp dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sylvia Gross, Sec.
Meeting called to order at 4 p.m. by Vice-Chairman, Jean Doscher. Devotion by J. Doscher. Roll called and minutes read and corrected to read "6 choir robes and 12 stoles" purchased. (Correction made on original in year book.)

OLD BUSINESS

Kindergarten class has been updated and painted. BBQ and Rummage Sale made $810.01 for BBQ and $508 for Rummage Sale. UMM thanked for their effort in making it successful. Receipts to be used for new sign on front lawn.

REPORTS

- DIR OF PROGRAM: Sue Stello reported new SS Class for Young Adults to begin next Sunday, invitations have been sent. Kindergarten class still receiving improvements and Grade 1+2 class will be next. Articles have been running in the H News and N Chas News about good news from our church.

- FINANCE: Becky Devereux reports no money has been sent to CONF this year except designated funds. The TRUSTEES and the FINANCE CMTE recommend that the ADBD call a Church Conference to ask the congregations permission to sell the Salvo Street house (keeping the driveway as our property) and permission to apply for a line of credit at NBSC to use as needed to make repairs and improvements to the church plant. (The parsonage would be used as collateral, assessed at $ 79,900.) We could borrow 80% of that. The church would make payments to the bank as we borrow it. 3 to 5 year maturity. Money borrowed for capital improvements will not affect our conference apportionments. Motion made by Ben Mitchum, second by Ed Miller. Passed unanimously. Church Conference will be held Sunday, March 24, 1996, 4 p.m.

- COM: Proceeding with Shalom project.

- UMM: Sponsored yesterday's BBQ and Rummage Sale. Will cook breakfast for the ladies of the church for Spring morning breakfast on April 14. Will help with the 50th anniversary celebration.

- UMW: 6 went to St Simons Island. 2 wedding receptions planned, March 9 is "A Day Apart", and April 14 is Spring Morning Breakfast at the church.

NEW BUSINESS: No report

Meeting adjourned with prayer from the minister.

Sue Stello,
Acting recording Secretary
Minister's Report: Rev. Culp introduced Mrs. Gerber from the Shalom Ministry at Cherokee United Methodist Church. Mrs. Gerber spoke about her experience with Shalom. (Shalom info. available) Rev. Culp reported on a meeting that would be held in Columbia this Friday and Saturday on Shalom.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman of PPRC, Art Devereau reported on the new wedding policy. Rick Stello motioned that we accept the newly proposed policy and was seconded by Ernest Hoenck. In the discussion it was decided that the minister could negotiate the fee schedule. The policy was approved. (See attached policy)

Donald Cain announced the Barbecue & Yard Sale to raise money for the new church sign will be on March 2nd. Please contribute and all come!

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

Sylvia Gross
The Administrative Board meeting was called to order at 4:12 p.m. by Dan Gross. There were twenty board members present. Dan gave the devotional.

The March minutes were approved.

REPORTS:

Programming: Sue Stello said that more people wanted Anniversary plates and they have been ordered. Because of our successful 50th Anniversary several churches who will be having there 75th are asking about our Aniversary. Our Sunday School attendance is improving. In one of the Sunday School rooms the wallpaper has fallen and the hanger will come back to repair it.

Treasurer: Becky reported that we are trying to get the paper ready for the loan. The giving on Easter Sunday was very good. The Lenten bag brought in was about $250.00, which was used for missions. The Real Estate agent said we should ask $34,000 for the Salvo St. house and property.

Council on Ministries: Rick Stello was excused.

Worship - Sue reported that we will have a revival in the fall that will run from Sunday through Wednesday.

Evangelism - Rev. Culp has contacted NISE East, a government facility located off of Remount Rd. that will be providing jobs for a lot of people, to give an informational service about our community (churches, schools, hospitals, theaters etc.). Jean Doscher mentioned that this same service could be provided to a new coast guard cutter coming here in September.

Family - Rev. Culp announced that a Singles Club will be having square dancing in our social hall. She said that anyone could come to square dance but singles only can join the club. LaRue Cook sends out information about singles and this might help us get a singles ministry started at our church.

Missions - Sue reported that our on going mission is to help Hopewell Church. Both Bethlehem Centers will be our mission for the month.

U.M.M. - United Methodist Women Spring Morning Breakfast was a huge success. We had 41 for breakfast. The fundraiser for the new church sign is going well. We're over half way there with contributions still coming in.

U.M.W. - Doris Sullivan reported that we will cater two wedding receptions in April and May. She also thanked the U.M.M. for a fine breakfast. School of Mission will be in the summer.

Minister's Report: Rev. Culp said that the Caregivers group would be meeting Monday evening the 16th. Very soon, we hope to have a meeting on alzheimers.

NEW BUSINESS

Sue mentioned that some churches do not have a campus ministry and we might look at providing a transportation service to bring college students to church.

Rev. Culp dismissed us with prayer.

Respectively submitted,

S. Gross
The Administrative Board meeting was called to order by Dan Gross. Twenty-one members were present. Dan gave the devotional.

The April minutes were approved.

REPORTS:

Programming: Sue reported the attendance at our service gives us a higher over all average. The St. Andrews & Midland Park churches will be having their 75th Anniversary. She would like us to send a monetary gift to these churches. Bethlehem Center checks were sent & appreciated. Wallace Family Life sent us a thank you note. Hopewell sent us a picture of their church. Names will be taken off of our church roll at Charge Conf.

She recommends a policy committee, 7 people & counter-persons be formed to make recommendations concerning church policies. This way, no one particular person will have to make decisions.

Lorena Laprade made a motion to allow the Committee to recommend policies to the appropriate committees. Joy Presnick seconded & the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer: Becky reported we've paid about 10% to Conference, ($1600 or $1700). We've sent $500 to Hopewell Church. We will know the amount that we can borrow in the next couple of weeks. The way it works is the Trustees will come to the Ad. Board with a cost of $1500; is approved, then we will write a check and put it on the loan. Everything is on schedule and looks good.

Council on Ministries: Rick Stello was excused.

Worship - Pat Pross said the committee wants a Christmas tree. There will be one service on June 2nd for the welcome back dinner. Tom Glisson will be the speaker.

Mission - Betty Pearson said the Berkeley County Shelter for Children will be the mission for the month.

Evangelism - Sylvia reported the Sewee camping trip to be June 14 & 15, Fri. night & Sat., $12.50 will be the charge for water & elec. $5.00 will be charged to pitch a tent. Call Sylvia or Sue if anyone interested.

Education (Sunday School) - Evelyn Alback reported the Men's Bible Class has been dissolved. Members are attending other classes. Vacation Bible School is planned for July 21-26. Sylvia reported that Pat & she attended VBS Workshop & it was great. There is a need for substitute teachers this summer.

United Methodist Men - Luke Poole was excused but sent info. The men will continue to receive donations for the new church sign. Approximately $3000 has come in. Thank you. They will meet 6:30 Tues. May 21st. All men are welcome.

Trustees: Marshall Smith reported the Salvo St. house was turned over to the Realtor. $34,000 will be the asking price. Mr. Rodgers, from the City, said we have to have 6000 ft. in the lot. The driveway will go with the property. Kevin Dubis will survey from Remount R. to the back. We should have a new plat made up soon & stakes will be put up. A coat of paint on the house might sell it quicker.
Minister's Report: Rev. Culp says everything is going well. Becky Devereau & Mr. Baggett are going to Conference in June. The Caregivers will meet May 21st at Chas. Southern University, 3:00-5:00 p.m. Tom Glisson will be on the panel. He is the Chaplin at Trident Hospital.

NEW BUSINESS

The next meeting will be June 23rd for June & July. Becky D. mentioned Fazolis will fix food for churches to get it as a write-off for income tax purposes. We could make $1500.00 Our name would have to be put in the pot & chosen. It was the consensus that Becky would put our name in.

Lorena L. spoke of grumbling; centering on the square dancing. Some problems mentioned were; 1. who authorized the use of the facilities, 2. $20.00 was not enough to charge, 3. what is the purpose of the square dancing & 4. the amount of time that they use the building. Virginia May made a motion to table the dancing discussion until the Policy Committee meets & makes their recommendations. It was seconded by Eddie May & passed.

Ben Mitchum motioned to adjourn & Pat Pross seconded.

Respectively submitted,

[Signature]
The August Administrative Board meeting was called to order by Dan Gross. Nineteen board members were present. Dan opened the meeting with a devotional.
The July minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:
Ben Mitchum brought to our attention the need for Nursery workers during the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship service. It was turned over to Pat Wanstreet and the Council on Ministries.

REPORTS:
Programming - Sue Stello is making plans for the upcoming month and is working on the church scrapbook. Hanahan Police cares about our security. More news will come through Council on Ministries.
Treasurers Report - Becky Devereau reported June was a good month but July hit rock bottom. We need to raise $13,719.46 this year to pay the must items. Our numbers are up but our giving is not enough. If Conference is not met it is taken out of the minister's pension. Becky pleaded for help. Ben mentioned if 75 donors paid $36.00 x mo., it might work. The Finance Committee will put a letter together focusing on the need for Conference giving rather than building fund etc. Rev Culp said she would like to see us have a Disciple Bible Study Class because they will give their 10% pledge. It has worked in other churches. She said we should focus on our blessings and raise our giving 1%. September is Stewardship emphasis month.
Council on Ministries - Rick reported the Bible School was very successful having aprox. 130 in attendance. He thanked everyone that helped. The Revival is Sept. 22, 23, and 24th. There will be one service at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. We will have a covered dish at 6:00 p.m. and a service at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday will be a luncheon hosted by the U.M.W. Phil and Gloria Jones will be the guest. The Hanahan Police Dept. will present a program on SCAMS. All are invited. Sue reported for Jean Doscher on Higher Education. Jean is sending out Upper Rooms and the bags for college students are due on the 11th of August. She is trying new ways to keep up with college students. We're hosting the Wesley Foundation September 9th.
Trustees - Marshall Smith reported the Realtor has decreased the sale of the house to $34,000, $1,000 less. He said there are more leaks and they will continue to work on it.
Ministers Report - Rev. Culp said the Charge Conference is October 13. The Nominating Committee is planning to meet but if anyone would care to volunteer for positions it would be appreciated. The plan is to have the Charge Conference during the Sunday School hour then have our Dist. Superintendent, Sam Johnson preach for the 11:00 a.m. service. The Caregivers group will meet September 16th at 7:00 p.m. Barbara Borum is speaking on motivating people who care for people. Sam Johnson, our Dist. Superintendent is to be roasted in August at John Wesley United Methodist Church.

Rev. Culp read the welcome letter that was taken to NISE East.

NEW BUSINESS:

The article in the bulletin on signs that Sam Johnson wrote was mentioned. Ben Mitchum reported that Eva Florie said there is an ordinance against signs. The city looks the other way for us to have one sign near N. Rhett and one near Remount and Rivers. We decided to turn it over to the Trustees to assign a member to get signs and put them up.

Ernest Hoenck motioned for us to adjourn and we did.

Respectfully Submitted,
Administrative Board November 3, 1996

The meeting was called to order by Dan Gross. Sixteen Board members were present. A devotional was read.

Rev. Culp introduced Rev. Carol Windrum and Ted Fickenseher who spoke about "Peace with Justice Ministries". Rev Windrum urges congregations to move beyond acts of mercy to acts of justice. Papers were left for members to read and to sign up for the Peace Advocate.

WORSHIP- Pat Pross said a twelve foot Christmas tree has been ordered at a cost of $311.78. It will be decorated on Dec. 5th. Our Thanksgiving Dinner will be Nov. 24th. There will be only one service that day. The Community Thanksgiving Service will be Tues., Nov. 26th at 7:30 p.m. Reception will follow and fingerfood will be served.

EDUCATION - Evelyn needs Nursery workers. A Christmas party will be held on Dec. 8th. for the children. Janet Thigpen reminded us of the joint Adult Sunday School class that will be on Dec. 1st.

TRUSTEES - Marshall Smith reported that the new sign needs electric power and covers to go over the letters. Mrs. Sweatman will pay for metal casings to go around the windows of the sanctuary and glass to go over the stained glass windows. They are still showing the Salvo St. house.

Two classrooms need new light fixtures.

The heating system has been repaired [a pump was replaced].

Lefty's house has been painted.

MINISTER - Rev. Culp reported that the Confirmation class is going well.

OLD BUSINESS - Ben Mitchum brought to our attention that it might be too much time between Administrative Board meetings and Council on Ministries if they meet alternating months. It was the consensus of the Board to give it a try for six months.

NEW BUSINESS - Elaine White reported that some members said she could not be heard in the sanctuary and that something must be wrong with the sound system. Rev. Culp said that someone is adjusting the volume every week and that she would attempt to correct that.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Sylvia Gross.
Meeting called to order by Sue Stello, acting Vice Chairman. Roll taken, minutes read and approved.

S. Stello reported for programming for 1997. A meeting of the COM had been held on November 10 and a schedule calendar for the 1997 had been approved. The calendar was distributed and discussed. A few meeting dates were changed to better suit the needs of the committee. (PPRC meetings will be quarterly and called as needed and the TRUSTEES will meet every other month.) An updated version of this calendar will be made a part of the first Heartwarmer in January 1997.

Minister reported good attendance at Sunday School hour Confirmation Class. Sunday School attendance is up at all levels. Christmas Around the World will be presented next week as a children's party, but all church members are encouraged to come. Worship services have been combined for the Sundays of December 8th and 22nd. B. Mitchum suggested that at times when it becomes desirable to combine the 2 Sunday services that we hold the service at 9:00 a.m. instead of 11:00 a.m. The suggestion was received and recorded. A service of dedication and installation of all church officers, UMW, UMM, UMYF will be held on January 5, 1997. Church officers workshop will be held at N Chas UMC on January 19th, 1997 for those wishing training in their office or work area.

MISSIONS: Betty Pearson will meet with the minister and publicize the Missions of the Month for 1997 very soon.

UMW: Reported $3,500 in receipts for this year’s Fall Festival. The UMW have begun raising funds for a new refrigerator for the kitchen.

UMM: Have the church sign in place and are raising the last of the money. It will soon be paid-in-full. Everyone is delighted with the new sign and the UMM were thanked for seeing a need and working to fill it.

TRUSTEES: Marshall Smith reported that work will soon be complete on the Sanctuary windows. The lexan was removed and disposed of, the windows cleaned, and the window frames wrapped in vinyl. The trim was painted and the front doors, too. Mrs. Gene Sweatman will pay for the window treatment and for the new plate glass which will cover them in late December. (In memory of Lionel Sweatman)

Submitted by Sue Stello, Acting Recording Secretary
The meeting was called to order with a devotion and opening prayer by Chairman Dan Gross at 4:00PM.

The first order of business was to select a Vice Chairman and a secretary. Ed Miller was nominated for Vice Chairman and Doris Sullivan volunteered to be Secretary. It was approved by the board to accept these nominations.

Reverend Culp gave the report for the COM. It was noted that Jean Doscher was to be the Chairman and could not be at this meeting. Sue Stello volunteered to take the first minutes. It was mentioned that plans are being investigated to set up a food kitchen somewhere in the Remount Road area and that Aldersgate would feed the Good Neighbor Center 5 times during 1997, the first of which was on Jan. 29 and was done by the Confirmation Class youth. She also reported that Glennie Murray as church historian addressed the Confirmation Class to give them a little of the church’s history.

She stated that things were looking up in the Education Dept. with plans to find a paid nursery attendant. The joint SS class will still meet on the first Sunday of the Quarter and was to be evaluated. The church is checking with Dunston Elementary School on Remount Road to ascertain what there needs may be and to see if the Church can help out. It was announced that the Caregivers Group was still meeting and that Evangelism was working on the GEO Zones. The VBS planning committee headed by Sue was beginning to make plans for 1997 Vacation Bible School. There was a brief discussion in regards to the 1997 Thanksgiving Service.

Sue Stello, Director of Programming announced that the 1997 Calendar was in the Heartwarmer in January. She said there were 106 persons in SS this morning. The date for Homecoming was changed back to March 16, 1997 and David Smith will be our guest speaker. After a discussion of cost and purpose, Evelyn Albach motioned that we surprise David with a white stole as a gift from Aldersgate for his ordination which is to be later this spring. Janet seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The second Monday there are craft sessions at 7:00PM in the Conference room and there will be a planning session for the VBS also on the second Monday of February.

Becky Devereux gave the Treasurer’s report. She stated that we gave a total of 53% to Conference and we were able to put $400.00 into the Pastor’s Moving Fund. Additionally she stated that we sent $1148.47 to Conference in January, reminding us that we should send $2700.00 each month. She announced that the van is paid for and the title is in the office and the van has less than 11,000 miles on it. She questioned the refrigerator fund. Doris answered that the fund was started by one of the UMW Circles due to the need and that it was not the intention of the UMW to buy a new refrigerator but to start the fund and scout the commercial businesses for cost of a new one. We will wait until there is enough money in fund to pay for new one unless we are forced to do so by the total breakdown of old fridge. Becky also told us there is a new computer program for our bookkeeping and it is Quickbooks for DOS.

Marshall Smith gave a report for the Trustees. The installation of plate glass on the Sanctuary has been completed. The new door on the educational building has been hung. He also announced that
we have a person interested in the Salvo St. house which would be a cash offer. He stated that the Real Estate Company would release us from contract if we find a cash buyer. It was reported that the van was not blowing cool air from the air conditioner. Marshall will correct that situation before the weekend that UMW goes to St. Simons.

New Business:

PPRC - Evelyn reminded them that the nursery attendant’s job description should be on their minds at the next meeting. Becky Devereux stated the next meeting of PPRC will be on Feb. 3, 1997 and the Nursery Attendant is on the agenda.

The nursery needs either a lighting system or an alarm system that can be seen or heard in the Sanctuary.

Sylvia reminded us that a camping trip is being planned for March 7-9 at the Sewee Coastal Center. Costs are as follows, rooms are $30, camper facilities are $12.50 and tent sites are $5.00. She further stated that Karin will due a Service on Sunday morning for those that are there.

Sue spoke about the Bishop’s 5* Award of Excellence. The prerequisites are a 5% increase in SS, a new work that Impacts Growth, 1 new member received by profession of Faith or Rededicated for every 100 members, Emphasis on Youth Ministries and all apportionments paid in full for the year 1996 or a 25% increase compared to prior year. The first four of these have been met for 1997.

With no more new business Evelyn Albach moved to adjourn.
Ernest Hoenck seconded.
Meeting Adjourned at 4:55PM

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Sullivan
ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Administrative Board, October 25th, 1998 4:00 p.m.

Call to order by Ed Miller, Chairman who opened with devotion, Luke 9: 1-6; 10+11
Roll called. Minutes read and approved.

REPORTS
Trustees: Don Cain submitted a written report explaining Salvo Street receipts (after
sale) and expenditures. Martha Smith made motion that church office print excerpts of
the report in The Heartwarmer for the congregation. Pastor asked Mrs. Stello to do so.
Door handle on the church van (passenger, front) is still broken. Trustees say we may
have it fixed in 1999.

PPRC: Martha Smith reported all employees (except Mrs. Easterling and Miss Crosby)
have met with the PPRC and salaries for 1999 have been set. It is hoped that the final the
committee will be able to meet with these employees in November.

EDUCATION: COM report is attached that includes the Education report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Becky Devereux presented the proposed 1999 budget. The
Finance Committee suggested changes in portions of the PPRC submitted salaries. PPRC
had suggested a 3% raise for the pastor and an increase in the salary of the program
coordinator and an added 5 hours that she might devote time to the Educational Building
and Educational programs. (Copy of increase work proposal in 1998 Yearbook in PPRC
section) Music Director salary and Organist Salary are combined for 1999, as Mrs.
Gartside holds both positions. Conference is considering lowering 1999 askings of
Aldersgate. They will decide whether or not to use the last 3 years' or the last 4 years'
expenditures in factoring our apportionments.

[Letter attached to these minutes showing that on October 30th, Finance office decided to use
Aldersgates last 3 years, thus reducing our apportionments $2,000]

It was suggested that the Adult Sunday School classes pay for their own literature. After
discussion it was suggested that the classes might make an extra donation to the
Educational portion of the budget. We have paid $16,000 of the $37,000 of our
apportionments for 1998. There is $6,000 in the Memorial Fund and $6,484.61 in the
Church Plant Maintenance Fund. Ben Mitchum made a motion we pay the pastor
$32,395 in 1999. Seconded by Gladys Jones and unanimously approved by the board.
(The AD BD was made aware that Aldersgate will officially accept this compensation
package for our pastor at the Charge Conference on Nov 2.) Ben Mitchum made a
motion that the EMPLOYEE COSTS portion of the budget be accepted as suggested by
the PPRC. Gladys Jones seconded, and the pastor added the motion that the choir line of
the budget be increased to $400, seconded by Ruby Hannah. The motion carried with
one opposed. (1999 budget is attached.)

NOMINATIONS REPORT: The 1998 Report of the Committee on Nominations was
distributed to preview those who will fill offices of the church in 1999. The AD BD was
advised that these names will be received by the Charge Conference on Nov 2. (copy
attached)

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m. with prayer and a reminder of Charge Conference here at
Aldersgate with Cokesbury, N Charleston, and the Korean United Methodist Church on
Monday, November 2, 1998 at 6:30 p.m.

Sue Stello, Acting recording sec