

1918 June, Matope

The missionaries of Matope and Mtshabesi Missions, together with Sr. Doner of Mucha, met in Council at the former place Thursday, June 13, 1918. H.P. Steigerwald, Moderator; H.J. Frey, Secretary.

Art. I

Whereas, according to the report of the committee on letter heads, the F.M. Board has consented to the form submitted to them for approval,

Decided that our Moderator arrange for the printing of letter-heads for the use of the workers in Rhodesia, and that the former committee be retained to communicate with Mucha to ascertain their requirements.

Art. II

Whereas, Bro. L.B. Steckley has made known by letter his desire to be ordained to the ministry,

Resolved, that this meeting unanimously favor Bro. Steckley's request and wish him God's blessing, provided, however, permission be first obtained from the F.M.B.

Art. III

Whereas, a number of our native teachers, who have spent much of their time in the service of the Lord and the Church are still in need of a better education,

Whereas, some of these do not have the means at their command to enter the Training School, and

Whereas offers of help have been made,

Resolved that all the needy ones, who are worthy, be assisted with means for a three years' course in the Training School, with the understanding that at the expiration of this time they again return to work for the Church.

Art. IV

Whereas, on account of the war, prices of clothing and other necessaries have advanced in price,

Resolved that the wages of tried native teachers be advanced to £1.5.0 per month and that those who have taught for a period of five years or more shall receive £1.10.0 per month.

Art. V

Decided that steps should be taken to secure for the Mission all huts occupied by Native Teachers at outschools.

Art. VI

Decided to postpone the organization of the South African Conference until our next meeting at Mtshabesi in September, at which time we heartily urge our co-laborers from other parts to meet with us, or failing that, to be represented by letter (Art. II, 1917, Sept.)

H.J. Frey, Secretary.