

MINUTES OF THE 46th MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, SCOUT HEADQUARTERS, JEPPE ARCADE, 193/0  
COMMISSIONER ST, JOHANNESBURG, ON FRIDAY, 27th JANUARY 1933 at 4.30 p.m

PRESENT Rev: Canon S.P.Woodfield(Chair) Rev: J.Dexter Taylor, Rev: S.Bovet, Rev: Father A.Winter, Rev:C.E.Wilkinson, Capt. P.F.F.White, Messrs P.Whiteley, G.Bacon, J.R.Rathebe, P.C.Sykes, P.H.Madibane, S.H.Mbambo, P.Nkabinde and L.V.Gauntlett.

APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from Rev: E.Klayley, Canon W.Parker, Messrs K.N.Fleischer, J.D.Rheinallt Jones, Theo Kuhne, D.C.Marivate, F.J.Oliphant and F.Raleigh.

LEAVE Leave was granted to Mr F.Raleigh for three months from 19th January 1933.

RESIGNATION Rev: Canon W.Parker tendered his resignation from the Council owing to his inability to attend meetings.  
ACCEPTED.

MINUTE OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed without alteration.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

- 1) The sub-committee to consider the terms of the Trusteeship of the Hall at Orlando Township has not yet met.
- 2) The sub-committee re the Officers Training Course at Orlando has not yet met.
- 3) The Chairman stated that the H.Q.Council has decided that Pathfinders can be sent to the World Jamboree this year provided that the Divisions can raise the necessary monies. The qualifications for a Pathfinder eligible to go to the Jamboree as laid down by the H.Q.Council are ;#
  - a) a sum of £60 is required per boy
  - b) he must be between the age of 14 and 18 on June 1st. 1933
  - c) he must have had at least 2 years satisfactory service as a Pathfinder.
  - d) he must be at least a 1st. class Pathfinder.
  - e) he must pass a test to be set by the H.Q.Council.
  - f) Senior Pathfinders are eligible to go. those eligible to go will be considered on individual merits.

It was unanimously agreed that the Division should send as many representatives as possible. The following additional clauses were added:-

- 1) Any Pathfinder having the necessary qualifications and who can raise £60 will be eligible to go.
- 2) Officers able to go should send in their names together with their qualifications and the amount of money which they will be able to raise, for consideration.

A sub-committee to make all arrangements for the Jamboree was appointed, Members as follows :- Rev: S.Bovet, Rev: J.Dexter Taylor, Capt.P.F.F.White, Messrs J.R.Rathebe, P.C.Sykes, S.H.Mbambo, G.Bacon and L.V.Gauntlett.

Messrs Bacon and Rathebe were appointed to approach the Native Press with a view to publicity.

LAYING OF FOUNDATION STONE The Chairman stated that he, Mr Rheinallt Jones and Mr Sykes represented the Pathfinder Movement and Mr Whiteley and Mr Raleigh the Scout Movement

at the laying of the Foundation Stone of the Hall at Orlando Township, by H.W.Lord Clarendon. Local Pathfinders formed a Guard of Honour.

At the Tree Planting Ceremony afterwards the Divisional Pathfinder planted a tree on behalf of the Pathfinder Movement.

REORGANISATION OF THE TRANSVAAL DIVISION The Chairman stated that in the absence of Mr Fleischer and Mr Rheinallt Jones, a serious discussion at this meeting on the proposed reorganisation would be inopportune and suggested that he should put before the meeting the main items of the scheme for future consideration. Agreed.

The Division has grown in the last two years beyond all adequate control. The policy of the Council in the immediate future would have to be one of development of quality. Towards this end the Division has already been split up into smaller districts and numerous though too few district officers have been appointed. The district of the Witwatersrand has developed so rapidly that it ~~has~~ is now beyond control even though it has been controlled by a whole time officer. This district will have to be split into 3 separate districts and centres such as Balfour and Evaton will have to become country districts for the time being. The Chairman stated that a paid, whole time D.P.M. for the Witwatersrand, utilising all the Divisions funds was not justified and felt that the Witwatersrand districts should have voluntary officers such as exist in the other districts.

The Chairman stated that the Secretarial work is no longer a spare time job if it is to be done properly, and suggests that the Council should rent a small house or a few rooms to be used as a Pathfinder Office and shop, with a paid native assistant secretary in charge. In this way the Secretary would be relieved of much work and a shop and meeting place would be provided for Pathfinders. It is possible that a portion of the cost will be borne by the Institute of Race Relations.

A rough estimate of the financial position is as follows :-

Salary of assistant Secretary	£ 6	0	0
Rent	£ 5	0	0
Sundries	£ 3	0	0

per month

or about £130 pounds per year, donations amount to about £ 250 per year leaving approx £70 for distribution to the several districts.

The Meeting was in accord with the general outline.

The Secretary was instructed to enquire whether the B.M.S.C. would be prepared to rent a suite of rooms to the division, but that no definite steps would be taken until the Institute of Race Relations had been consulted.

APPOINTMENTS AND REGISTRATIONS A list of appointments and registrations was placed before the meeting and confirmed without alteration.

PROMISE AND LAWS IN XOSA (copies filed with minutes) It was agreed to forward Mr Bacons pamphlet " Promise and Laws in Xosa" with translation, to Mr Ball of the Border Division for his consideration. On his approval Mr Ball has the assent of the council to the pamphlet being sent to the H.Q.Council for approval and adoption.

FINANCE The Secretary stated that the balance as at 23/1/33 was £38 15 5. Expenditure to end of April is estimated at £35 15 5 leaving a balance of £3 as at end of April. It is estimated that donations to the end of the year will amount to £160.

WITBANK DISTRICT The Secretary reported that a District Committee is in formation at Witbank. It was agreed that the D.P.M. for the districts should be asked to furnish further information.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING Capt.White proposed, seconded by Mr Sykes, that in view of the urgent business to be transacted, the Council should meet towards the end of February. Agreed. It was agreed to leave the fixing of the date to the Chairman.

HEADQUARTERS COUNCIL MEETING The Chairman gave the meeting a brief outline of the business done at the last meeting of the H.Q.Council. CONFIRMED AT THE MEETING ON

CHAIRMAN

MINUTES OF THE 45th MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL,  
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, SCOUT HEADQUARTERS, JEPPE ARCADE,  
COMMISSIONER STREET, JOHANNESBURG, ON TUESDAY 13th DECEMBER 1932, AT  
4.30 p.m.

PRESENT Rev. Canon S.P. Woodfield (Chair), Rev. C.E. Wilkinson,  
Messrs K.N. Fleischer, P.C. Sykes, A.P. Mole, F.J. Oliphant  
J.R. Rathebe, G.H. Franz and L.V. Gauntlett.

APOLOGIES Apologies of absence were received from Messrs F. Raleigh,  
J. Hungerford, P. Whiteley, T. Kuhne, D.C. Marivate, Rev.  
Father E. Klayley, Rev. E. Carter and Rev. J. Dexter Taylor.

MINUTES OF THE 44th MEETING The Minutes of the 44th Meeting were  
read and confirmed without alteration.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

- 1) The annual registration fee will be collected next in  
September 1933.
- 2) The Divisional Pathfinder stated that he had considered the  
reports by Mr Bacon and Mr Steyn. The Reports were resumes  
of the various activities of the troops in the Witwatersrand and  
Potchefstroom Districts respectively.

PATHFINDER HALL AT ORLANDO TOWNSHIP A letter from Mr O. Leake to  
Mr Rheinallt Jones was read to the  
Meeting, in effect that he (Mr Leake) had decided to make a gift of a  
Hall at Orlando Township to the Pathfinders.

A copy of the City Councils Bye  
Laws with regard to this Hall was considered. According to the Bye Laws  
the Hall is for the use of all native children in the township. The  
Meeting felt that if it were to accept the Trusteeship of the Hall, it  
(the Hall) should be wholly for the use of the Pathfinders.

Further conditions are that  
sanitary and other services, and expenses for upkeep were to be paid  
by the Trustees. Should the Hall be used for purposes other than those  
those specified the City Council will have the right to purchase the  
Hall. A nominal rental of £1 per year must be paid for  
the use of the ground.

After considerable discussion it was resolved that  
the Pathfinders would welcome the gift provided that ~~the conditions~~  
~~are acceptable to the Council.~~ XXXXX

- 1) the conditions are acceptable to the Pathfinder Movement
- 2) subject to such laws that are in force, relating to such a  
hall, the Pathfinder Movement should have unlimited control.
- 3) the Pathfinder Movement is satisfied with the manner in  
which the hall is to be vested.

It was proposed that Mr Rheinallt Jones and Mr Fleischer,  
with power to consult legal advice, should draw up a Constitution  
to make allowance for a Property Clause. CARRIED

It was agreed to ask the Headquarters Council for  
permission to draw up such a Constitution, and to appoint TWO members  
of the Headquarters Council to confirm the Constitution when passed  
by this Council.

It was agreed that a letter of thanks should be  
sent to Mr Leake thanking him for his generous offer.

LAYING OF FOUNDATION STONE AT ORLANDO TOWNSHIP

The Governor General has agreed to lay the  
Foundation Stone for the Native Hall on Saturday, 17th inst. The  
Pathfinders will form a Guard of Honour. Later in the afternoon  
there will be a Tree Planting Ceremony. Mr Bacon was requested

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to plant trees.

MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL  
HELD AT KILNERTON, PRETORIA, ON SATURDAY, 12th NOVEMBER 1932.  
 ( filed with these Minutes)

The Minutes were read to the meeting and confirmed.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE ABOVE MINUTES

- 1) Unless District Officers are willing to purchase stocks of badges it will be impossible for them to keep supplies on hand
- 2) It was agreed to re/commend to the Headquarters Council that Proficiency Badge Certificates should be reprinted.
- 3) After a discussion, it was agreed that the cost of badges is commensurate with the quality and the quantity ordered .
- 4) It was agreed to recommend to the Headquarters Council that Pathfinders should be allowed to wear Scout Hats.
- 5) It was agreed that ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ the ~~XXXX~~ Divisional Pathfinder should issue a monthly Bulletin containing all news of importance and matters arising out of the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council which are of interest to District Officers.
- 6) It was agreed that D.P.M.s should furnish the Divisional Pathfinder with quarterly reports showing the progress made by every troop.

REPORT OF THE 3rd. MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (filed with minutes  
 ( Executive Minutes filed herewith)

The Report was read to the meeting and confirmed.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE REPORT

- 1) It was agreed that a sub committee consisting of Mr Bacon (convenor), Mr Sykes and Mr Rathebe be appointed to make all arrangements for the Officers Training Camp at Orlando Township next Easter.
- 2) It was agreed to submit the name of "Roamer" Pathfinder to the Headquarters Council for consideration provided that it will not be finally accepted by that Council until it has been in general use for one year.
- 3) It was agreed to recommend to the Headquarters Council that a sub committee should be appointed to consider designs for the new badges.
- 4) It was agreed that Mr Bacon be temporarily reappointed until the end of April 1933.

S.A.PATHFINDER JAMBOREE IN 1934

It was agreed to leave over the question of the Jamboree as it is on the Agenda for the next Headquarters Council Meeting.

WORLD LAMBOREE IN 1933/

A letter was received from Mr D.C.Marivate asking for financial assistance from the Council to help to sent Pathfinder Representatives to the World Jamboree in Hungary next year.

It was agreed to recommend to the Headquarters Council that the question of sending representatives be considered .

CENSUS RETURNS TO DECEMBER 1st 1932 ( filed with minytes)

The Census return was placed before the meeting Most of the troops in the Transvaal are now properly registered and the strength shows a tremendous increase over last years figures.

FINANCE -

FINANCE The Hon Treasurer stated that the balance as at 13/12/32 was £67 5 8 which included besides the usual annual donations a further £ 25 from the Rand Mines.

It was agreed to pay Mr Bacon 14/3 for expenses in connection with the Rally.

APPOINTMENTS AND REGISTRATIONS. A list of appointments and registrations was placed before the meeting and confirmed.

WELCOME The Chairman stated that he was very pleased to have Mr Oliphant and Mr Franz at the Meeting.

RESIGNATIONS The resignation of Mr Mole, who had temporarily taken the place of Father Winter was accepted.

The Scout Council has withdrawn the name of Mr Dey as one of the Scout Representatives.

CORRESPONDANCE It was agreed that the correspondance should be referred to the Executive Committee.

STANDERTON DISTRICT Mr Sykes reported that he had visited the Standerton District and had found all troops progressing very favourably. He intimated that there is still a possibility of Mr Molefe staying in that district.

DIVISIONAL REPORT The Chairman read to the meeting the report which he intends to put forward at the next Headquarters Council Meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING It was left to the Divisional Pathfinder to fix the date of the next meeting.

The meeting terminated at 7.5 p.m.

Confirmed at the meeting on

CHAIRMAN

TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE 47th MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL,  
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, SCOUT HEADQUARTERS, JEPPE ARCADE,  
COMMISSIONER STREET, JOHANNESBURG, ON THURSDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1933  
at 4.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Rev. Canon S.P. Woodfield (Chair), Revs. S. Bovet,  
E. Carter, C.E. Wilkinson, Father A. Winter,  
Messrs G. Bacon, J.R. Rathebe, J. Hungerford, P.C.  
Sykes, J.D. Rheinallt Jones, P.H. Madibane,  
S.H. Mbambo, P. Nkabinde and L.V. Gauntlett.

APDLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received from Rev. E.  
Klayley, Rev. J. Dexter Taylor, Messrs K.N. Fleischer  
P. Whiteley, F.J. Oliphant, Theo Kuhne, D.C.  
Marivate.

LEAVE: Leave was granted to Rev. E. Klayley until  
October 1933.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting were read,  
and confirmed with one or two alterations.

CIRCULATION OF MINUTES:  
Father Winter proposed, seconded by Mr. Sykes,  
that in future copies of the Minutes should be  
circulated to all members of the Council.

AGREED

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

1. Report of the Committee re Trusteeship of the  
Hall at Orlando Township  
Mr. Rheinallt Jones reported that he had met Mr.  
Leake and had talked the matter over fully with  
him. After the legal position had been discussed  
with Mr. Leake's solicitors, Messrs McEwan,  
Fearnhead and Pinkerton, the following suggestion  
(which is being placed before the bodies concerned)  
was put forward as embracing all Mr. Leake's  
wishes:-

"That the Transvaal Scout Council,  
the Transvaal Girl Wayfarers Council,  
and the Transvaal Pathfinder Council,  
should each authorise its Divisional  
Commissioner, Provincial Superintendent  
and Divisional Pathfinder respectively  
to accept the Trusteeship of the Leake  
Hall, Orlando Township on condition that  
the Transvaal Girl Wayfarers Council  
and the Transvaal Pathfinder Council share  
in the use of the Hall for their Movements  
and accept joint responsibility for the  
management and upkeep of the Hall".

Conditions laid down by the Johannesburg  
Municipality for the leasing of the ground on  
which the Hall stands were placed before the  
meeting. (Filed with these Minutes).

Mr. Rheinallt Jones stated that the matter had  
already received the assent of the Wayfarer Council  
and now required confirmation by the Pathfinder  
Council and the Scout Council.

Mr. Sykes proposed, seconded by Rev. S. Bovet that  
the Council should accept the Trusteeship and

- that -

that the Divisional Pathfinder, Rev. Canon S.P. Woodfield, be authorised to act as Trustee on behalf of the Council.

Carried with acclamation

It was agreed to accept the conditions re the leasing of the land from the City Council of Johannesburg.

Mr. Rheinallt Jones stated that the Wayfarer Council had suggested that a Joint Committee be formed in whose hands the responsibility for the management and upkeep of the Hall should be placed, and had elected four representatives to serve on this Committee. It was agreed that this Joint Committee would serve a very useful purpose and that the Council should also elect four representatives to serve.

It was agreed that Mr. R.W. Msimang, a solicitor at Orlando Township should be approached to serve on this Committee, and that, in the event of his agreeing, he should become a co-opted member of the Council.

AGREED

It was agreed that the D.P.M. for the District should be a member. Mr. J.R. Rathebe and Rev. C.E. Wilkinson were elected as the remaining two members.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Leake would like to have an opening ceremony before he leaves for England.

Mr. Leake suggested that for this purpose the Pathfinder and the Wayfarer Movements might hold a Joint Rally at the Township on Saturday, 18th March.

NOTED

It was unanimously agreed that the Secretary should send a further letter to Mr. Leake informing him of this Council's acceptance of his generous offer and thanking him for his gift to the Pathfinder and Wayfarer Movements.

2. Report of Sub-Committee re World Jamboree

The Secretary reported that circulars had been drafted and circulated to all troops informing them of the Jamboree and the conditions under which Pathfinders would be allowed to attend. The circular was read to the meeting. NOTED

The Secretary reported that all the Districts were working hard to raise money and that dances, concerts and displays were being held everywhere. The Secretary was instructed to approach various Colleges and Institutions for financial help.

3. Report of the Sub-Committee re Officers Training Camp

The Secretary reported that this committee had met and had drafted a general circular which had been sent to all troops. Mr. Bacon put before the meeting a further report, and proposed programme which had been drafted by the committee. The following recommendations were placed before the meeting and agreed to:-

- (a) That the venue of the camp should be changed to Roodepoort. The camp being held from April 7th - 13th.
- (b) That the camp be run on such lines that it be a "recognised" camp for the Veldcraft Badge.
- (c) That the Scout Training Team be asked to give its services.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the Scout Council asking for the help of the Training Team.

It was agreed that the programme should be submitted to Mr. Kuhne for his approval.

#### REORGANISATION OF THE TRANSVAAL DIVISION:

The Chairman outlined the proposed scheme for reorganisation which was as recorded in the Minutes of the previous meeting. After a great deal of discussion on all the aspects, Mr. Carter proposed, seconded by Father A. Winter:-

- (a) that the subdivision of the Reef into several smaller districts under the supervision of voluntary District Officers was very necessary but that these separate districts should be formed gradually.
- (b) that the work of the present D.P.M. of the Witwatersrand in the immediate future should be directed towards this end.
- (c) that the scheme for providing a Pathfinder Office and Shop with a paid assistant Secretary would be inopportune and would financially embarrass the Council at the present time.

All THREE proposals were carried.

It was agreed that as much money as possible should be made available for the other districts in the Transvaal.

#### APPOINTMENTS AND REGISTRATIONS:

A list of appointments and registrations was placed before the meeting and confirmed.

#### MINUTES OF HEADQUARTERS MEETING:

A draft of the Minutes of the last Headquarters Council meeting was taken as read. The meeting agreed to their adoption. The Secretary was instructed to bring forward any matters of importance arising from these Minutes, at the next meeting of the Council.

#### WITBANK DISTRICT COMMITTEE:

A letter from Mr. C.E. Edgar, Secretary of the Witbank District Committee was read to the meeting. Mr. Edgar notified the Council that a District Committee was very necessary in the Witbank area and asked the Council to assent to such a Committee being formed. The meeting gave its consent and recommended that all Pathfinder Officers should be members of the Committee.

#### STANDERTON DISTRICT:

It was agreed that Rev. H. Cranswick should be appointed D.P.M. for the District.

#### MENDI MEMORIAL SERVICE:

Mr. Bacon stated that about 300 Pathfinders and several Wayfarers had attended the ceremony, but that the organisation of the programme was bad and that the Pathfinders did not know what they had to do.

After a discussion it was agreed that the Secretary of the Mendi Memorial Committee be advised:-

- (a) that in future ample notice must be given of any service, with details of the programme of events so that the Council can make the necessary arrangements.
- (b) that no member of the Pathfinder Movement should be approached individually to represent the Pathfinders at a future service.
- (c) that the time of the service, namely 10 a.m. is most unsatisfactory, as it is during school hours.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council should be held towards the end of March, the actual date to be left to the Chairman.

The meeting terminated at 6.40 p.m.

Confirmed at the Meeting on

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*S. F. Woodford*  
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5<sup>th</sup> April 1933

CHAIRMAN

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

A list of appointments and resignations was presented to the Council. The following were appointed to the Council for the next year: Mr. J. H. ... and Mr. ...

LETTERS OF HEADQUARTERS

A letter from the Headquarters was received. It stated that the Council should be kept informed of any changes in the programme of events.

LETTERS FROM DISTRICT COMMITTEES

A letter from the District Committee was received. It stated that the Council should be kept informed of any changes in the programme of events.

STANDSTILL DISTRICT

It was agreed that the Standstill District should be kept informed of any changes in the programme of events.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

It was agreed that a Memorial Service should be held in the near future. The date and time to be decided by the Council.

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TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE 48th MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL HELD  
IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, SCOUT HEADQUARTERS, JEPPE ARCADE,  
COMMISSIONER STREET, JOHANNESBURG, ON WEDNESDAY, 5th APRIL, 1933  
at 4.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Canon S.P. Woodfield (Chair), Revs. A. Winter, E.H.M. Jaeckel, J. Dexter Taylor, Captain P.F.F. White, Captain W.E. Barber, Messrs J.D. Rheinallt Jones, J. Hungerford, P.C. Sykes, K.N. Fleischer, P. Nkabinde, G. Bacon, S.H. Mbambo, J.R. Rathebe, S.P. Mqubuli and L.V. Gauntlett.

WELCOME: The Chairman welcomed the presence of Rev. E.H.M. Jaeckel and Captain W.E. Barber who has agreed to become D.P.M. for the East Rand District.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received from Messrs P. Whiteley, T. Kuhne, D.C. Marivate and J.F. Oliphant.

LEAVE: Leave was granted to Mr. Gauntlett for two months from the end of May.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated were confirmed without alteration.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

1. A letter from Mr. Leake was read to the Council thanking it for agreeing to act as joint trustees of the Orlando Hall. NOTED
2. Mr. Rheinallt Jones notified the Council that Mr. Msimang has agreed to act as a representative of the Council on the Orlando Hall Joint Committee. It was agreed that Mr. Msimang should be co-opted to this Council.
3. Mr. Rheinallt Jones stated that in the absence of the Divisional Pathfinder, he had called a meeting of the Joint Committee at which Mr. Msimang was elected chairman. Mr. Bacon reported that the Joint Committee had met four times. Rules for use of the Hall, etc. had been drawn up and a scale of charges for the leasing of the Hall had been made. Mr. Bacon stated that the Wayfarer Movement had appointed five representatives to the Joint Committee and proposed that the Council should elect a fifth representative. Mr. S.P. Mqubuli was proposed and elected. It was proposed that a recommendation be sent to the Joint Committee that Mr. Oliver, Location Superintendent at Orlando should be appointed to act as local manager of the Hall and that he should be an ex officio member of the Committee. AGREED
4. It was reported that the opening ceremony of the Leake Hall had been very successful and that great interest had been taken in the fine Hall and its fittings. It was suggested that the speeches were far too long and that in future the time could be spent more profitably in giving displays of Pathfinder

work.

The Chairman stated that he welcomed the interest taken in the Pathfinders by the Scout Council, and especially that of the Scout Commissioner and Divisional Secretary of the Transvaal, who were present at the ceremony. There were 340 Pathfinders on parade. The Chairman stated that all the benches in the Hall had been made by Mr. Leake himself and hoped that the example would be followed by the Pathfinders.

5. The sub-committee re World Jamboree reported that to date £50 had been received towards the Jamboree Fund and that there are indications indications that a further £60 will be received.

After a discussion it was proposed that a recommendation should be sent to the Headquarters Council that

"The Transvaal Pathfinder Council recommends and urges that if it be financially possible to send only one representative to the Jamboree, an officer should be sent, and that if funds allow for two representatives an officer and a boy should be sent"

CARRIED.

A Committee to consider the applications of Officers and Pathfinders eligible to go was appointed as follows:-

The Divisional Pathfinder, D.P.Ms. G. Bacon and Captain P.F.F. White and A.D.P.M. J.R. Rathebe.

6. Officers Training Camp. Mr. Bacon reported that all arrangements for the camp were now complete. To date 17 officers would be attending the camp, there would also be 7 instructors, 3 A.D.P.Ms. and the help of the Scout Training Team on one or two of the days. The Headquarters Commissioner has agreed to the programme drawn up and has agreed to the camp being considered as part of the "Veldcraft Badge".
7. A letter was received from the Transvaal Scout Council regretting that its Training Team would be unable to devote the whole of the time to the Pathfinder Camp owing to other arrangements. The Scout Council requested that in future the Team should be given at least three months notice of future camps at which its services will be required. NOTED
8. The report of the D.P.M. for the Reef was referred to the Divisional Pathfinder for consideration.

#### REORGANISATION OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE DIVISION:

Mr. Bacon reported that since the last meeting, Captain Barber had agreed to act as D.P.M. for the East Rand, but that owing to pressure of work Mr. Sykes has had to withdraw as D.P.M. for the West Rand. The Training Camp and Jamboree Fund had taken up most of his (Mr. Bacons) time and he had been unable to attempt to reorganise the Reef. Mr. Bacon emphasised the growing interest that is being taken in Pathfinding by the youths in the compounds and also by the Compound Managers. Mr. Bacon stated that he had done 25,000 miles in twelve months at an average cost of £5 per month.

The A.D.P.Ms. have been carrying on very successfully in all districts without his supervision. Mr. Bacon was of the opinion that a full time D.P.M. and Organiser was necessary for the Reef. Mr. Bacon suggested that he should be re-appointed for a further two months at a reduced salary if necessary, in order that he might continue with the reorganisation.

Mr. Bacon was requested to withdraw whilst the matter was being discussed.

After a lengthy discussion it was considered:-

- (a) that a full time Organiser on the Reef was not justified financially and that with the advent of D.P.Ms. in the East, Central and Western districts of the Rand a full time Organiser would not then be necessary.
- (b) that the scheme so lucidly submitted by the Treasurer for the provision of a paid Assistant Secretary, who would also act partly as an Organiser, was not only feasible financially, but was absolutely essential if the administration in the future is to be efficient. (Scheme filed with minutes).

It was finally proposed by Captain White and seconded by Mr. Sykes that:-

- (a) Mr. Bacon be re-appointed at his present salary until 30th June, 1933 when his appointment will cease.
- (b) that the Divisional Pathfinder should consider the whole scheme of reorganisation, appointment of D.P.Ms. for the Reef and the provision for a paid Native Assistant Secretary and part time Organiser along the lines laid down in the Treasurers report; and that he be given full powers to act. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES OF THE HEADQUARTERS COUNCIL MEETING:

It was agreed to postpone these matters until the next meeting of the Council.

#### APPOINTMENTS AND REGISTRATIONS:

The Chairman stated that Captain Barber and Mr. J.F. Olyphant have agreed to act as D.P.Ms. for the East Rand and Pietersburg Districts respectively. APPOINTED WITH ACCLAMATION.

A list of appointments and registrations having been circulated were confirmed without alteration. A further list was placed before the meeting. With the exception of the appointment of Mr. Sykes as D.P.M. who has had to withdraw for business reasons, and the application for registration of the I Uitkyk Troop and its Officers which is to be referred to Rev. Paterson for comment, the additional appointments and registrations were confirmed.

The Secretary was notified that in future no appointments and registrations are to be placed before the meeting unless they have been previously circulated to the members of the Council. NOTED.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter was received from Mr. Gqibithloe applying for the post of Assistant Secretary if such a post is created. NOTED.

A letter was received from the Committee of the Bantu Men's Social Centre stating that it does

not wish to rent out a suite of rooms at present.

NOTED.

A letter was received from the Mendi Memorial Committee stating that in future it would give full consideration to the recommendations made by the Pathfinder Council at the last meeting.

FINANCE:

The Treasurer stated that the balance as at 3/4/33 was £64.2.2. of which £36.4.1. was in trust on account of the Jamboree Fund. The Chairman was authorised to sign the statement as correct.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

It was agreed to hold the next meeting in May, the actual date to be left to the Chairman.

SEKHUKHUNILAND DISTRICT:

The Divisional Pathfinder stated that Mr. Button, Native Commissioner for Sekhukhuniland had agreed to look after the Pathfinders in his area on condition that he was given no rank and did not have to wear a uniform. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Button thanking him for his offer which is gratefully accepted.

WITBANK-MIDDELBURG DISTRICT:

Mr. Rheinallt Jones stated that he had attended Rallies at Witbank and Middelburg last week which had been extraordinarily successful, there being ample evidence of great activity in this District now that Rev. H. Kinsey has become D.P.M. Mr. Rheinallt Jones stated that he had addressed an audience of over 500 parents at the conclusion of the Rally.

NOTED WITH APPLAUSE.

The meeting terminated at 7 p.m.

Confirmed at the meeting on

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DATE: -----

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CHAIRMAN

TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE 49th MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL,  
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, SCOUT HEADQUARTERS, JEPPE ARCADE,  
COMMISSIONER STREET, JOHANNESBURG, ON WEDNESDAY, 10th MAY, 1933  
at 4.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Rev. Canon S.P. Woodfield (Chair), Rev. Father A. Winter, C.R., Rev. S. Bovet, Captain W.E. Barber, Messrs. P. Whiteley, K.N. Fleischer, G. Bacon, P. Nkabinde, S.H. Mbambo, D.E.E. Nduna, K. Swensson, P.G. Sykes, J.R. Rathebe and L.V. Gauntlett.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. Theo Kuhne, J.D. Rheinallt Jones, F.J. Oliphant, D.C. Marivate, S. Satheke, R.W. Msimang, F. Raleigh and Captain P.F.F. White.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed without alteration.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

1. The Jamboree Selection Committee reported that applications had been received from four Roamer Pathfinders and from four Officers. The Committee had examined applicants at the Priory, Rosettenville earlier in the day but had not reached a final decision. The Treasurer stated that funds in hand amounted to £63. 13. 5. It was estimated that a further £60 would be found by the middle of June coming from the following sources:-

Half the gate monies from two Bantu football matches.

A portion of the profits of a boxing tournament.  
The proceeds of an all African concert to be held in either the City Hall or St. Mary's Hall.  
The proceeds of a concert at the Priory.  
If necessary a portion of the funds raised by the East Rand District.

Father Winter stated that he had the authority of the Priory to guarantee £20 if it is needed.

Applause and thanks.

A Bantu concert is to be broadcast in the near future, Father Winter was authorised, with the permission of the Broadcasting Company, to broadcast an appeal for funds from anyone desiring to help the project.

The Compound Managers Association has promised £5.

Mr. Fleischer stated that the cost of the fares for two representatives would be £60, which is now in hand, he proposed that authority should be given to send two Pathfinder representatives overseas. Carried.  
The Secretary was instructed to notify the Head quarters Council of this decision.

2. Officers Training Camp at Roodepoort at Easter  
Mr. Bacon stated that thirty-two Officers attended the Camp. Members of the Scout Training Team were in attendance for a part of the time. P.M. D.W. Giesecke

did excellent work. The camp was very successful and all were well satisfied with the results. Mr. Kuhne, H.Q. Commissioner was present. It was decided that those who attended the camp and furnish a satisfactory report of the work done at it, will be recognised as having passed the first stage of the Veldcraft Badge requirements.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the Scout Training Team and to Mr. Giesecke thanking them for the work that they did.

3. The Chairman asked Captain Barber to read his report of the excellent meeting of Officers from the East Rand which was held on 29th April. There were twenty-four Officers present out of twenty-seven and only two were not in uniform. Valid excuses for absence were received from the Officers who were unable to attend. Captain Barber, D.P.M. for the East Rand opened the meeting. The Rev. Samson then welcomed the Officers. Mr. Fleischer gave an excellent address on "The Spirit and Effect of Pathfinding on Character" followed by an address from Mr. Pougnet on "Education and the Pathfinder Movement".

Mr. Bacon gave an outline of Pathfinder work followed by a very fine talk on the "Patrol System" by Mr. N. Ngubeni. Revs. Dryden and Eaton concluded the speeches with talks on Brotherhood and Self Help respectively. After lunch a general discussion on many subjects took place. It was interesting to have the opinions of all those present and many valuable suggestions were obtained.

Captain Barber in conclusion drew the Council's attention to the fact that he considered that far too much drill, learning songs etc. was taking place at troop meetings and that the essentials of Pathfinding were well in the background at the moment. He had great hopes that this would soon be rectified. Captain Barber considered that the Officers, who are mostly school masters, are to be congratulated on the time that they are putting into the Movement, he hopes he will be able to hold regular classes for Patrol Leaders and thus, in time enable troops to be run without the constant supervision of the Pathfinder Masters, thus teaching the Pathfinders Self Help and allowing the Pathfinder Masters a certain amount of free time.

The Chairman congratulated Captain Barber on the excellent report which had been received by the Council with much applause. The Chairman emphasised that the Movement must carry out Pathfinder work and should not be content with any form of school routine.

Mr. Fleischer pointed out that Captain Barber's report mentioned nothing of the amount of time and thought that he (Captain Barber) must have spent to ensure the success of the meeting and the excellence of the programme.

The Secretary was instructed to send a copy of Mr. Ngubeni's article on "The Patrol System" to Mr. Sykes for publication in "The Pathfinder".

Mr. Bacon stated that Mr. Swensson had offered a permanent camping site at Roodepoort to be run on Gilwell lines. Thanks and applause.

#### PALADIN MOVEMENT:

A letter from Captain White stated that he had been approached to start the Paladin Movement in Pretoria. Captain White wished to know what policy the Pathfinder Movement took with regard to Paladins. Mr. Fleischer

had replied that neither the Boy Scout Association nor the Pathfinder Movement acknowledged any connection with the Paladins. Noted.

LOUIS TRICHARDT DISTRICT:

The Chairman stated that he had just completed a round of the troops in the Louis Trichardt District, he had done 400 miles over bad roads and had visited thirteen of twenty-seven troops in that area. He stated that for enthusiasm and efficiency the district was hard to beat. He was particularly struck by the interest that the Pathfinder Masters managed to impart to the dullest of subjects. The District has made extraordinary progress.

HEIDELBURG DISTRICT:

Captain Barber suggested that Rev. A. Hipkin would make an excellent D.P.M. for the Heidelberg District. Mr. Bacon was instructed to approach Mr. Hipkin to find out whether he would be willing to look after the district.

LEAKE HALL:

Mr. Bacon announced that Messrs. Henwoods Ltd. have donated two lamps for use at the Leake Hall, Orlando. Mr. Ballenden has authorised the building of a brick fireplace in the grounds. The Secretary was instructed to thank Messrs. Henwood Ltd. for their much needed gift.

APPOINTMENTS AND REGISTRATIONS:

It was agreed that Mr. Nkomo be allowed to run the I Uitkyk troop but that no warrants are to be issued until a favourable report of the troop's work has been received from the D.P.M. of the District.

A list of Appointments and Registrations, previously circulated, was confirmed with one or two minor alterations.

Mr. Fleischer felt very strongly that the regulation requiring prospective officers to pass their 2nd Class test before they could be registered as officers, is unreasonable. After a discussion he proposed that a resolution should be sent to the Headquarters Council asking that Council to reconsider this regulation. The proposal was carried by five votes to four.

The Divisional Pathfinder stated that he wished to appoint Mr. Gauntlett as D.P.M. attached to Divisional Headquarters. The appointment was confirmed  
Great applause

FINANCE:

The Treasurer reported that there was a credit balance of £87. 18. 6 of which £63. 13. 4. was in trust for the Jamboree fund, leaving £24. 5. 2 which was insufficient to pay Mr. Bacon's salary for May and June. The £24. 5. 2. included a recent donation of £10 from the Council of Education. The Treasurer was instructed to send reminders to regular subscribers whose donations are overdue. Mr. Fleischer was asked to consult with Mr. Raleigh on the advisability of approaching Compound Officials for donations.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter was received from Mr. Oliphant asking for permission to present the Thanks Badge to two members of Pax College who have helped the Movement. It was

-- agreed --

agreed that the Badges could be conferred with the approval of the D.P.M. and that the Council had no authority in the matter.

J.B. YOUNG TROPHY COMPETITION:

Mr. Bacon stated that all arrangements for the competition had been completed for the Reef. The Reef has been split into three districts, each with its own competition and trophy. Mr. Bacon asked for permission to purchase two more flags. Granted.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES OF THE HEADQUARTERS COUNCIL MEETING (Held in Bloemfontein on 16th December, 1932):

1. With regard to the pooling of expenses of all representatives attending Headquarters Council meetings, it was agreed after a discussion that the expenses should be pooled provided that the expenses of each representative should not exceed the cost of the Second class concession fare.
2. It was left to the D.P. to consider the scheme laid down for the training of Officers.
3. The Policy with regard to Disciplinary Action was placed before the meeting. Noted.
4. The policy with regard to women as Officers in the movement was placed before the meeting. Noted.  
(Minutes filed herewith)

DIVISIONAL EMBLEMS:

It was announced that several Officers are at work designing suitable emblems for the Transvaal.

ENROLMENT CEREMONY:

The D.P. enrolled Captain Barber and Mr. Swensson as D.P.M.s of the East Rand and West Rand Districts respectively.

REORGANISATION OF THE DIVISION:

The Chairman stated that the Division has now been divided into fourteen Districts controlled by ten D.P.M.s eight A.D.P.M.s with two D.P.M.s with no particular districts. A very satisfactory state of affairs.

TRACKERS: Miss Young, a cub mistress, has signified her willingness to address Tracker Leaders in Johannesburg once a quarter if she is needed. Noted.

CONFERENCE OF SENIOR OFFICERS:

The Chairman suggested the possibility of a conference of Senior Officers sometime in July, but nothing was decided.

R.I.P:

It was reported that a Patrol Leader in the Troop passed away a week ago. The Secretary was instructed to write a letter of condolence to his parents.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

It was left to the Chairman to fix the date of the next meeting.

The Meeting terminated at 6.40 p.m.

Confirmed at the Meeting on -----

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CHAIRMAN

TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE 50th. MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER  
COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, SCOUT HEADQUARTERS,  
GOLDFIELDS BUILDINGS, ELOFF STREET, JOHANNESBURG, ON WEDNES-  
DAY, JUNE 21st. 1933, AT 4.30 P.M.

PRESENT: Rev. Canon S. P. Woodfield (Chair), Revs. E. Carter, E.K.M. Jaekel, K.H. Swensson, C.E. Wilkinson, and A. Winter, C.R., Captain W.E. Barber, Captain P.F.F. White, Messrs. J.D. Rheinallt Jones, F. Raleigh, G. Bacon, B.H. Madibane, J.R. Rathebe, D.E.E. Nduna, S.M.J. Sethkeke, F.J. Oliphant, J. Hungerford, P.C. Sykes, K. Fleischer, and Dr. Dexter Taylor for part of the time.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received from the Rev. S. Bovet and the Rev. D. Stowell and Mr. P. Whitely.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting, which had previously been circulated, were taken as read and after the following alterations had been made were confirmed:-

- (a) Page 2. Para. 3. "Mr. Bacon gave an..... Mr. N. Ngubeni" amended to "A very fine talk on the Patrol System was given by Mr. N. Ngubeni"
- (b) Page 4. R.I.P. "a Patrol Leader in the Lago Troop....."

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

1. The Jamboree.

The Divisional Pathfinder reported that the Sub-Committee appointed to select representatives to attend the World Scout Jamboree had tested the best boys from the Reef and Pretoria and had selected P/L. Samuel Ramalakane of the 3rd Pretoria Troop and P/L. George Yon of S. Peter's Johannesburg Troop. The Officer in charge of the Contingent to be D/P/M. F.J. Oliphant of Pietersburg District. The Treasurer reported that sufficient money had been collected to enable three representatives to attend the Jamboree and it was agreed that the three named should be sent subject to their fulfilment of the conditions laid down by the H.Q. Council. It was agreed that a sum of £10.0.0. from Divisional Funds should be given to the Jamboree Fund in order to help with the equipment and other incidental expenses of the representatives. It was agreed that if possible money paid by guarantors should be in part repaid.

An article in a recent issue of "The Sunday Times" in which misleading statements upon the position of the Pathfinders attending the Jamboree had been made was the subject of a discussion. Mr. Fleischer replied that the information given by him had been mixed up with other matter gained from the Regulations of the Movement and false conclusions had been drawn from these. The Chief Pathfinder promised that an accurate statement of the relationship between the Pathfinder and Scout Movement should be sent to the Press before the contingent sailed. Other matters connected with the details of the Jamboree were discussed and questions answered.

2. Conference of Senior Officers.

The Chairman stated that so far he had been unable to arrange for this.

3. Divisional Emblems.

The Chairman asked that all suggestions for the Divisional Emblem be sent to him as soon as possible.

FINANCE:

The Treasurer presented the statement of accounts which showed that after salaries due and Jamboree Funds had been paid there would be about £1. in hand. The Editor of "The Pathfinder" said that the sum of £5. was due for copies circulated but that he was prepared to wait until more funds were available.

REGISTRATIONS AND REPORTS:

These were confirmed as shewn on the accompanying schedule.

REPORTS:

Encouraging reports were received from the D.P.Ms. of the Witwatersrand, E. and Central Johannesburg, Pretoria, and by the Divisional Pathfinder on behalf of the D.P.Ms. of Pietersburg, Louis Trichardt, Heidelberg and Sekhukhuni-land Districts.

D.P.M. Bacon laid on the table a detailed report of all Troops in the Witwatersrand District and said that the division of that district had now been practically completed. He thanked the Council and Officers of his district for the help they had given him. Speaking on behalf of the Council the Chairman expressed to Mr. Bacon his great appreciation of the zealous way in which he had carried out his work as D.P.M. of the Witwatersrand during the last two years and wished him every success on his taking up fresh work. The Chief Pathfinder also spoke in appreciative terms of Mr. Bacon's work.

Captain White spoke particularly of the interest taken in the Pathfinder Movement by Mr. Kershavjee, a leading Indian of Marabastad who had helped towards the Jamboree Funds and had placed a room at the disposal of the Movement as a local H.Q. It was agreed to send Mr. Kershavjee a letter of thanks from the Council.

Captain Barber spoke of the good work being done in several of his Troops and said that the whole outlook was hopeful.

Father Winter spoke in less appreciative tones of his district which he thought was slack, but he hoped to produce a better state of affairs after he had had time to visit the troops.

DIVISIONAL COUNCIL:

It was pointed out that Dr. Gow had now left the District and it was agreed to ask Bishop Sims to appoint a representative in his place.

WITWATERSRAND DISTRICT PROPERTY:

Mr. Bacon was given permission to consult with the new District Officers as to the division of all District property at present in his care.

CAMP:

Captain Barber was granted permission to arrange a District Camp during the forthcoming holidays.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION:

It was agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Jabjhai, an Indian who had made a generous donation to Jamboree Funds.

THE INDIAN MOVEMENT:

The Chief Pathfinder spoke of the effect on the Indian population since it had been known that Pathfinders would be at the Jamboree and he asked that in any negotiations made with Indians the consent of the Divisional Council be obtained before any decisions were arrived at.

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

The Chairman raised the question of the desirability of returning to the old system of holding quarterly Divisional Council meetings and leaving the Executive Committee to deal with other matters of business monthly. From the discussion that followed it was obvious that it was preferable to hold a monthly Divisional Council meeting, and this was agreed to.

RESIGNATION OF DIVISIONAL SECRETARY:

The Chairman reports that he had received a letter of resignation from the Divisional Secretary mainly on the grounds of lack of time to deal with the increasing amount of work which fell to him. The Chairman went on to point out the great demands made upon the Secretary and the urgent need for the appointment of an assistant, and said that he felt it was imperative that the scheme he had put before the Council early in the year should now be re-considered. The Rev. E. Carter said that it was plain that there was too much work for a man's spare time, and too little for his whole time, and he moved that a small sub-committee be formed to go into the whole matter and to make a report to the next Council meeting as to ways and means of obtaining part-time assistance for Mr. Gauntlett. In seconding the motion the Chief Pathfinder said that it might be possible to share the expenses of a whole-time assistant with the Pathfinders H. Q. Council. It was agreed to appoint the Chairman, the Chief Pathfinder and Mr. J. R. Rathebe as the sub-committee.

COMBINED PATHFINDER AND WAYFARER RAISING OF FUNDS:

It was suggested that it might be desirable for the two Movements to make a joint effort to raise funds - existing arrangements to be left untouched - and it was left to the Divisional Pathfinder to approach the Superintendent of the Wayfarers in the Transvaal to find out whether such a proposal would be acceptable.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY:

The Chairman said that Mr. Fleischer had been ordered a complete rest owing to breakdown in health, and he knew that the council would joint him in wishing Mr. Fleischer a speedy and complete recovery.

The Meeting closed at 6.0 p.m.

CHAIRMAN.

TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE 51st MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL PATHFINDER COUNCIL HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, SCOUT HEADQUARTERS, GOLDFIELDS BUILDING SOCIETY BUILDINGS, C/R FLOFF AND FOX STREETS, JOHANNESBURG, ON WEDNESDAY, 9th AUGUST, 1933, AT 4.30 p.m.

PRESENT: The Divisional Pathfinder (Rev. Canon S.P. Woodfield) (Chair), the Chief Pathfinder (Mr. J.D. Rheinallt Jones), Revs. Father A. Winter, C.R., S. Bovet, J. Dexter Taylor, F. Carter, Captain W.E. Barber, Messrs F.K. Raleigh, P.C. Sykes, K. Swensson, D.E.E. Nduna, S.H. Mbambo, J.R. Rathebe, M. Gluckman, K.N. Fleischer and L.V. Gauntlett.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received from Messrs P. Whiteley, F.J. Oliphant, Theo Kuhne and D.C. Marivate.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated, were confirmed without alteration.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

1. Jamboree

The Chairman expressed his disappointment and regret that the Pathfinder representatives were prevented from going to the Jamboree owing to the intervention of Mr. Grobler, Minister for Native Affairs. He (the Chairman), Captain White, the Bishop of Pretoria and the Chief Pathfinder had done all that they could to persuade the Minister to change his policy but had been unsuccessful.

The Chairman stated that the Pathfinder representatives were bitterly disappointed but were showing a true Pathfinder spirit. The Chairman read a letter from a Scout Commissioner in England conveying his deepest sympathy to the Pathfinders who were unable to go Overseas, assuring the Council that, had they gone, he and his Scouts would have done all they could to make the Pathfinders feel at home.

The Chief Pathfinder said that he had telephoned from Bloemfontein to a highly placed person who had interviewed Mr. Grobler on our behalf but had been unsuccessful. Mr. Grobler gave as one of the reasons for his action that the Pathfinders were not Scouts, and though informed later of the Pathfinders status, he was not prepared to alter his policy.

Mr. Carter stated that there were rumours that the Scouts had refused to travel on the same boat as the Pathfinders and had refused to look after the Pathfinders whilst Overseas. He said that from this many have openly stated that in reality the Pathfinders were not part of the Scout Movement. He felt that the title of the Pathfinders should be altered to include the word "Scout"

Mr. Fleischer and the Chief Pathfinder explained that the rumours had arisen because the Union Castle had at first refused to take Pathfinders on the Armadale Castle. An interview with the Johannesburg Manager of the Union Castle Co. was followed by further interviews by the Chief Pathfinder with the Capetown Manager as a result of which the Union Castle Co. expressed its readiness to take Pathfinders provided they were under Scout control. The Scout Council was not prepared to accept this responsibility. The Chairman of the South African Institute of Race Relations (Dr. Brookes) at the request of the Chief Pathfinder, again interviewed the Capetown Manager of the Union Castle Co. who then agreed to take the Pathfinders on the Armadale Castle unconditionally.

The Chairman assured the meeting that it had been the Council's intention to send the Pathfinders Overseas as a separate unit and not under Scout Control. The Commissioner in charge of the Scout Jamboree Contingent and many of the Jamboree Scouts had assured him (the Chairman) and Mr. Oliphant that they would do everything possible to help the Pathfinders and see that they did not feel complete strangers when outside their country.

After a long discussion the Rev. F. Carter proposed, seconded

The Chief P/f said

by the Rev. Dr. Dexter Taylor "that the Council recommends to the Headquarters Council

"that the Union Scout Council should be approached to reconsider the advisability or not of including the words 'Pathfinder Scout' in the Pathfinder title". CARRIED

Mr. Sykes proposed, seconded by Mr. Rathebe "that the Council recommends to the Headquarters Council

"that the Union Scout Council be approached to make a statement, after consultation with the Chief Pathfinder, in the Press explaining to the public the exact relationship between the Scout and Pathfinder Movements in order to dispel the rumours that are being circulated" CARRIED

It was agreed that the Headquarters Council be urged to proceed with the matter immediately.

Father Winter proposed a vote of thanks to the Divisional Pathfinder and Chief Pathfinder for the large amount of work they had done trying to persuade the Minister to alter his decision. CARRIED WITH ACCLAMATION

### 2. Divisional Emblems

No designs have yet been submitted.

3. The Wayfarers have agreed that it would serve a useful purpose for the two Movements to combine to raise funds. NOTED

### FINANCE:

The Honorary Treasurer reported that after the expenses for equipment for the Jamboree Pathfinders had been paid and certain monies refunded to guarantors, there is a balance of £160. 6. 1. in trust for the next Jamboree. The Treasurer reported that when sundry accounts have been paid the Council's general fund will have a shortfall of £5. 12. 1. He stated that a donation of £25 is due from the Rand Mines and will probably be paid within the next few days.

The Treasurer proposed that the donation of £10 from the Council to the Jamboree Fund should be returned to General Funds. CARRIED  
It was agreed that the Treasurer should prepare a list of donors, with the amounts usually paid and dates when due, in time for the next meeting.

### APPOINTMENTS AND REGISTRATIONS:

Though a list had not been circulated, the Meeting agreed to consider the appointments and registrations. These were confirmed as per separately filed schedule. The Chairman introduced Mr. Gluckman who has agreed to become D.P.M. for the North Rand and Witwatersrand West Central Districts.

### APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY ASSISTANT SECRETARY:

The Chairman announced that Mr. H.V. Sheersmith has agreed to act as Honorary Assistant Secretary. The Meeting was in favour of his appointment. The Chairman suggested that Mr. Sheersmith should be given the rank of A.D.P.M. for Roamer Crews in the Witwatersrand area. The meeting decided to consider the appointment at the next meeting.

### ANNUAL CENSUS:

The Secretary stated that the Annual Census would be taken at the beginning of September.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The Chairman stated that the Council's financial year ended on September 30th, when it will be necessary in terms of the Constitution to form a new Council. The Chairman asked for suggestions with regard to members who have to be co-opted. It was agreed that TWO Officers should be elected by Pathfinder Masters vote; the balance of the co-opted members to be elected at the next and final meeting of the present Council.

### NORTHERN RHODESIA:

Mr. Sykes announced that a Pathfinder Division had just been formed in Northern Rhodesia. He hoped for much activity from the North in the near future. APPLAUSE

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

This was fixed for 14th or 15th September. The Secretary to fix the final date.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 6.30 p.m.

Confirmed at the meeting on -----

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CHAIRMAN

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