

MODEL CITIES PAINT COMMITTEE MEETING ON MAY 13, 1969 AT THE MODEL CITIES OFFICE

Present: W. A. Edge, Mrs. C. B. Wright, Harold Owens, Horatius Rosser, E. H. Hines, Jimmie Kennebrew, Mrs. Mattie Ansley, Mrs. Ida Wright, Mrs. Edith Tennant, Mrs. Christine Cook, Charlie Cook, E. G. Weems, Floyd Rutherford, Rev. L. W. Hope, Sr., Bernard Smith, June Cofer, Hubert C. Blankenship, Lewis Peters, Dewey Gatley, Ellis Simmon, Edward French, Sum-Mec Center, and Model Cities Community Relations Assistants.

The meeting was called to order by Lyall W. Scott, who explained the goal of the paint up campaign, the type of paint available to residents and the purpose of this meeting and the role of the Model Cities Paint Committee in this campaign.

Deacon Lewis Peters asked Mr. Scott as to whether this paint was now available. Mr. Scott said that 8,500 gallons of paint are presently available and that this committee should begin to develop guidelines so that the distribution can begin as soon as possible.

A Model Cities survey was distributed which showed number of structures within each community and the number of structures that would be cleared in 1969.

A chart was also presented by Mr. Scott showing number of structures after clearance in each neighborhood, percentage of structures within each neighborhood when compared to total, Model Cities structures, ratio of paint to be distributed within each community, based on percentage of structures to total Model Cities area, and approximate number of containers that each community would be eligible for.

After considerable discussion Mr. Hubert Blankenship made a motion to accept suggested ratio of distribution. This was seconded by Mr. E. G. Weems and Mrs. C. B. Wright and carried unanimously.

Mr. E. G. Weems made a motion that each neighborhood paint committee assume responsibility for selection of houses to be painted, and for distributing paint within the community. This motion was seconded by Mrs. C. B. Wright and carried unanimously.

Mr. Jimmie Kennebrew made a motion that absentee landlords be eligible for paint but this motion did not receive a second and was defeated.

Mr. Jimmie Kennebrew suggested that pledge cards be drawn up for individuals applying for paint and that they be submitted to paint committee within their community. Mr. Kennebrew made this into motion and was seconded by Mr. Blankenship and carried unanimously. (See pledge card in guidelines)

The committee also worked out wording for pledge card and was accepted. Deacon Lewis Peters made a motion to recommend to Model Cities Steering Committee have Model Cities pay to transport paint to each local community. This was seconded by Mrs. Mattie Ansley and carried unanimously.

Further suggestions made but with no official action were:

1. Before and ~~after~~ pictures should be taken for publicity purposes.
2. If any community has paint left from amount issued they will allow some other community to use it.
3. Flyers be printed by Model Cities office with instructions for mixing paint.
4. Community Relations Assistants will be available to assist ~~neighborhood paint committees~~.
5. Each neighborhood paint committees should elect a chairman that can deal directly with Model Cities office.
6. Discussion of Banquet postponed until next meeting

Acting Secretary
Mrs. Elizabeth Parks