

Kairos of Georgia State Chapter Meeting Minutes
January 31st, 2015
Christ United Methodist Church Forsyth, GA

Chairman Brad Edenfield called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The opening prayer and devotional was given by Beverly Upperman.

Brad introduced Jay Sanders, David Jordan and Tony Lowden(sp.?) with the Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Re-Entry. All three gave an interesting presentation on the steps being taken to insure that inmates returning to civilian life do not re-offend. More can be found by going to the state's website: www.gotsr.dcor.state.ga.us.

After a break, roll was called and a quorum established. The minutes from the November 15th, Georgia State Chapter Committee meeting were approved.

SUB-COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS: The following persons were nominated and approved for the position listed: Rob Washington (Outreach/Volunteer Recruitment), Michael Ellis (Fundraising), Chris & Corrie Burgett (Agape), Doug Unger (Programs), Jim Wilson (Website Development), Beverly Upperman (Clergy Recruiting/Training) and Lillian Robinson (Advisory Member/AKT Coordinator).

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS: The following persons were elected to serve on the Executive Committee: Brad Edenfield (Chairman), Rob Washington (Vice Chairman), Beverly Upperman and Alice Dickerson (International Council Representatives), Ladson Golden (Secretary), Walter Straham (Financial Secretary), Jim Wilson (Treasurer) and Jeff Hornsby (Valdosta/Valdosta Annex State Representative).

FINANCIAL SECRETARY UPDATE: Financial Secretary Walter Straham gave the financial updates (q.v.) and motion was made/seconded/passed that they be accepted as presented. After much discussion motion was made/seconded/passed that the Exec. Committee investigate ways to set aside \$200K for future use in ministry. At present these monies are in the checking account accumulating no interest.

KEN ROCKS-KPMI: The following are highlights of Ken's presentation: The ministry is growing with new starts increasing. Kairos is in 35 states and 9 countries. KPMI has 10 employees, a \$6 million budget, 30,000 volunteers and what we do is go to prison. 1 ministry with 3 programs. Emphasis will be to work 3 Weekends and take 1 off so that the volunteer can rest and new recruits/volunteers can work. We need to use Kairos branding resources which can be found at mykairos.org/styleguide. New Weekend Manual later this year. Delay has been due to concerted effort to make sure the new manual and EZRA coincide. Annual conference will be last week of July in Dallas/Fort Worth. Eight (8) is the new quorum for AC meetings. With few exceptions, most problems can be solved by recruiting. Two exceptions are the warden and the chaplain. There is a 182 day lead time in EZRA, what good does it do for a leader to go to AKT 60-90 days before the Weekend? What kind of return-on-investment (of \$350-\$500) is that? Best is 12-18 months before the Weekend. Evelyn has streamlined auditing so that the costs have decreased (\$130K in 2012, \$83K in 2013 & \$51K in 2014). Training for all AC members is a priority. After Ken's presentation, motion was made/seconded/passed that the SCC give blanket approval to pay (approx. \$450) in 2015 for AC training at the local level by a KPMI AC trainer.

IC REPORT: Alice reported that there are several new IC members and that they will undergo training regarding their responsibilities, requirements and expectations.

AREAS OF FOCUS (AC Reports, SCC Report, Leader Nominations, Donor Reports, End of Year

Statements: Brad distributed several reports and forms to attendees to be completed or updated. Brad encouraged the State Reps to make sure that Donor was being accessed by the respective AC Financial Secretary, is working properly, is being used after each Weekend to close out reports and that end of the year statements are being sent to donors. Brad stated that once we get through some of the

paperwork accountability we can get on to the important stuff—fundraising and recruiting. Motion made/seconded/passed to confirm all Weekend leaders submitted by the Advisory Councils.

KPMI ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Motion was made/seconded/passed that the State Board Members, IC Reps, State Chair and Vice Chair, a total of 7 people, be reimbursed for travel expenses to the Annual Conference in Dallas/Fort Worth. This was a reiteration of a previous decision (SCC Minutes 1-25-14 q.v.), made because the Vice Chair was added to the list. Cost should be \$4K-\$5K.

AKT UPDATE: It was noted that Kairos of Georgia spent approx. \$18,000 on AKT expenses in 2014.

There being no further business before the committee, Gene LeFort gave the benediction and the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

The next SCC meeting will be May 2nd, 2015 at First United Methodist Church Forsyth, GA. It was noted that this is a change of venue.

Respectfully submitted,

Ladson Golden, Secretary

See Attendance Roster on next page below.

GEORGIA STATE COMMITTEE

ATTENDANCE ROSTER 2015

Those in blue constitute the Executive Committee.

Position	Name	Notes	1-31-15	5-2-15	8-15-15	11-14-15
Chairman	Brad Edenfield		X			
Vice Chairman	Rob Washington		X			
Int'l Council Rep #1	Beverly Upperman		X			
Int'l Council Rep #2	Alice Dickerson		X			
Secretary	Ladson Golden		X			
Financial Secretary	Walter Straham		X			
Treasurer	Jim Wilson		A			
Outreach/Volunteer Recruitment	Rob Washington		X			
Fundraising	Michael Ellis		A			
Agape	Chris & Corrie Burgett		A			
Programs	Doug Unger		X			
Website Development	Jim Wilson		A			
Clergy Recruiting/Training	Beverly Upperman		X			
Advisory Council Coor.						
Advisory Member/ AKT Coordinator	Lillian Robinson		A			
Past Chairman	Mike Nix		X			
Council Representatives						
Arrendale	Denise Redd		X			
Arrendale Peer-to-Peer	Christy Timme		X			
ASMP	Gene LeFort		X			
Autry	Jim Dorris		X			
Baldwin	Dave Becker		X			
Burruss	Tom Kibler		X			
Calhoun Tom Liner (S)			A(S)			
Central	Jim Wilson??	Mike Nix (S)	A(S)			
Coastal	Jim Lewis		A			
Dooly	Jack Elliott		X			
Emanuel	Betsy Newton		X			
GSP	Arthur Fickling		X			
Hancock	Perkins Williams		X			
Kairos Outside North	Joyce McElroy		A(S)			
Lee	Mike Zoellick		X			
Macon State Prison	Todd Avery		A(S)			
Phillips	Ken Sawyer		X			

Pulaski	Eugenia Helms		A(S)			
Rogers	Jim Lewis		A			
Smith	Randy Ashurst		X			
Valdosta/Valdosta Annex	Jeff Hornsby		X			
Walker	Steve Sidwell		X			
Ware	Jack Denker		X			
Washington	Jim Uslan		A			
Whitworth Detention Center	Anna Reid		A(S)			
Wilcox	Will Jones		X			
		TOTAL	30/41	00/41	00/41	00/41

(41 Positions/34 Individuals)