

Kairos of Georgia State Chapter Meeting Minutes
April 29th, 2017
Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Forsyth, GA

Chairman Doug Unger called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. Doug asked Todd Avery to read the scripture, Isaiah 61:1 printed at the top of the meeting agenda, to help focus our thinking. David Griffin opened the meeting with prayer. Rev. Beverly Upperman gave a devotional entitled "In a Little While," based on John 16:16-19. Mike led us with music. Roll was called by Stan Yarbrough in Ladson Golden's absence and a quorum was noted (q.v.). The minutes were previously approved via email and also voted on for approval at the meeting.

DOC TRAINING/BADGES REPORT: Mr. Charles Jackson, Georgia DOC Volunteer Services Coordinator, spoke to the group concerning status and upcoming changes to the process for obtaining DOC training for new volunteers and badge issuance and renewals. Training is currently being conducted at several regional locations around the state. As before, new volunteers can be trained at any of the state locations. Prior to training, new volunteers will need to get approval from the warden and chaplain at the facility they will be serving. Mr. Jackson noted that the DOC is working to provide an on-line process for new training applications that hopefully will be ready soon. He also noted that the DOC GCIC forms no longer have to be notarized before they can be processed. Badge renewal is currently being done on the third Saturday of each month at the regional locations. Mr. Jackson will provide additional information to David Griffin for dissemination to the group as it becomes available.

AKT REPORT: Faye Story, standing in for Lillian Robinson, reported that at the next AKT in Georgia will be August 18-20 in Forsyth.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT: Financial Secretary Walter Straham distributed financial report copies (q.v.) of the March 2017 Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss YTD Comparison. The ministry is in very good stead with total assets of \$304K. The \$220K in savings includes the ~\$200K bequest from 2014. There was discussion about the purchasing of equipment during which Walter reminded the group that AC's are allowed to purchase equipment to support their ministry, but they should in most cases have the funds available to cover the purchase. Walter also discussed the options for providing training for AC treasurers and Kairos Donor coordinators. Options are to have treasurers and KD coordinators attend the financial workshops that will take place during the Kairos annual conference at Peachtree City in July and/or to provide training at a time and date to be decided. Walter will contact the AC's to determine the best option. Walter presented the proposal from the Executive Committee concerning how to use a portion of the money we have in savings. Specifically, the proposal is to donate \$5K each to Utah, Nebraska, Puerto Rico, and KPMI. This proposal was voted on later in the meeting.

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer, Stan Yarbrough reminded the group that he has pre-printed deposit slips that the AC treasurers should use to make deposits. The treasurers should contact Stan when they need more slips. Stan also discussed the possibility that Kairos of Georgia will be changing banks from SunTrust bank to Wells Fargo bank. He is waiting to hear back from several AC's on the impact of the change to them before making a recommendation to the Executive Committee.

IC REPORT: Beverly Upperman reported on the latest from the International Council. There are several changes being made to the by-laws for the International Council. The changes will not have much direct impact on our ministry efforts in Georgia.

WEBMASTER REPORT: New Website Development Coordinator, Johnny Hand, discussed his thoughts on updates to the Kairos of Georgia web site. In general he is planning to revise the site to make it more user-friendly and helpful to those who visit it. He also talked about the issue we have with getting the participant list current and keeping it up to date.

AC FOCUS: Doug Unger reminded the group of the Kairos of Georgia policy (approved June 2012) that requests for weekend leader and coordinator advances would not be approved unless and until the previous weekend expenses are reconciled, the previous weekend leader's report is submitted, and the excellence initiative checklist is submitted. Doug Hopkins and Stan Yarbrough gave updates on efforts to

start/restart Kairos at several institutions in Georgia. Locations include Wheeler SP, Rutledge SP, Montgomery SP, Hays SP, and Torch in Americus. Doug also asked for volunteers to help him when issues come up at locations. Doug Unger discussed the options for recruiting dinners and other helps available to enlist new volunteers. Vanessa Velez-Cruz discussed the status of Kairos Outside. Efforts are ongoing to establish a KO location in South Georgia going to better serve women in that area. The following people were approved as leaders for upcoming weekends:

Beth Young	-Pulaski
Molly Boyd	-Whitworth
Jeff Parow	-Phillips
Terry Price	-Wilcox
Alberto Arias	-Wilcox
Doug Veal	-Baldwin
Audrey Jones	-Kairos Outside Northwest GA
Bonita Chesney	-Kairos Outside Northwest GA
David Himmelsbach	-Hancock
Aubrey Clark	-Dooly
Buddy Looney	-Walker
Jane Wix	-Lee Arrendale
Joyce McElroy	-Kairos Outside North GA
Jackie Bell	-Kairos Outside North GA
Jane Peay	-Whitworth

Approvals were granted pending receipt of nomination forms by Doug Unger for those that had not been submitted as of the meeting date.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT: Beverly Upperman provided a summary the Executive Council meeting held via teleconference on April 8th, 2017, to include the need for timely submission of reports. The proposal for spending \$20K of the money we have in savings proposed by Walter was approved.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT: Beverly Upperman noted that the 2017 Kairos Annual Conference will be held on July 25-29 at the Wyndham Peachtree Conferencing Center and Hotel in Peachtree City, GA. She related her experience in attending past conferences and urged as many as could to attend.

CHAIRMAN REPORT: Doug Unger discussed his desire to make AC training a priority going forward. Specific dates and locations are pending at this time.

OLD BUSINESS: Doug Unger indicated his desire to have David Griffin help Johnny Hand with cleaning up the list of attendees that is not current at this time. Motion made, seconded, and approved to have Dave do this. There was no other new business.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

There being no further business before the committee, benediction was delivered and the meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM. The next scheduled state chapter meeting is August 12th, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Ladson Golden, Secretary
Kairos of Georgia

Please see the year-to-date attendance roster below.

GEORGIA STATE COMMITTEE

ATTENDANCE ROSTER 4-29-2017

Those in blue constitute the Executive Committee.

Position	Name	Notes	2-25-17	4-29-17	8-12-17	11-18-17
			P= Pres	A=Ab	S=Sub	
Chairman	Doug Unger		P	P		
Vice Chairman	Wil Jones		A	A		
Int'l Council Rep #1	Beverly Upperman		P	P		
Int'l Council Rep #2	Arthur Fickling		P	A		
Secretary	Ladson Golden		A	A		
Financial Secretary	Walter Straham		P	P		
Treasurer	Stan Yarbrough		P	P		
Outreach/Volunteer Recruitment	Octavia Everett		S	P		
Fundraising	Jeff Carter		A	A		
Agape	Greg McDonald		A	A		
Programs	Doug Hopkins		P	P		
Website Development (non-voting)	Johnny Hand		A	P		
Optional positions below are non-voting						
Clergy Recruiting/Training(Optional)	Jim Smith		P	A		
Advisory Council Coord. (Optional)						
Adv. Member/AKT Coord. (Optional)	Lillian Robinson	F. Storey	P	S		
Past Chairman (Honorary one year)						
Council Representatives						
Arrendale	Colleen Freemon		P	P		
Arrendale Peer-to-Peer	Karen Miller		P	P		
ASMP	Gene LeFort		A	P		
Autry	Thomas Smith		A	A		
Baldwin	Dave Becker	C. Fountain	S	S		
Burruss	Jim Miller		P	S		
Calhoun	Kenneth Jarrett		A	A		
Central	None		S			
Coastal	Tommy Lightfoot		A	A		
Dooly	Jack Elliott		S	S		
Emanuel	Betsy Newton		A	P		
GSP	Jimmy Dixon		P	S		
Hancock	Perkins Williams		P	P		
Kairos Outside North	Lillian Robinson	F. Storey	P	S		
Kairos Outside NW Georgia	Audrey Jones		P	P		
Lee	Mike Zoellick		P	P		
Macon State Prison	Todd Avery		P	P		
Phillips	Michael Creighton		A	A		

Pulaski	Mary Dell Fish		S	S		
Rogers	David Kicklighter		A	A		
Smith	Thomas Staub		A	A		
Valdosta/Valdosta Annex	Roy Davis		A	A		
Walker	Rudy Patton		A	P		
Ware	Jack Denker		P	A		
Washington	Jim Uslan		S	A		
Whitworth Detention Center	Jane Peay		S	P		
Wilcox	Roland Mitchell		A	S		
		TOTAL	22/35	00/35	00/35	00/35

[37 Voting Positions Filled/36 Individuals (1 holds 2 positions)]

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