

Kairos of Georgia State Chapter Meeting Minutes
August 15th, 2015
First United Methodist Church Forsyth, GA

In Chairman Edenfield's absence, Past-Chair Mike Nix called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM. Following the opening prayer a very inspirational devotional was given by Ron Boykin on "Love Never Fails". Roll was called and a quorum was noted. The minutes were previously approved via email.

AGAPE: Chris introduced his replacement, Greg MacDonald (Phillips SP) who will be taking over for Chris immediately.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY UPDATE/DONOR: Walter went over the financial reports (q.v.). Due to some onetime expenses, the ministry is over budget on expenditures but is also over on expected revenues. [Walter's Corner]: Walter distributed a handout (q.v.) as example of how **original** receipts should be submitted for reimbursement. He encouraged everyone to take this back and share with the ACs. He also reiterated that room upgrades when attending AKT are the expense of the individual not Kairos.

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL REPORT/ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT: Alice distributed a folder (q.v.) containing information about the recent Annual Conference in Dallas and gave a report from information in the folder. New "Codes of Conduct" have been posted on the website. The word "host" (used to describe a volunteers Weekend activities with a participant beginning Thursday evening) has been changed to "sponsor". Jim Miller reported that the ministry is in good shape and gave appropriate leadership credit to the efforts of Evelyn Lemly. Kairos is in 10 countries with a total of 482 communities. There have been 55 #1 Weekends in the last 2 years. Like so many volunteer organizations, "We have a recruiting issue". Good, bad or indifferent, this puts us in good company.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

AKT Update: The information for AKTs (dates, contacts, etc.) is on the mykairos.org and kairosforgeorgia.org websites Next AKT in Georgia is November 13th-15th, 2015 in Forsyth, GA. Registration deadline is October 30th. Ideally the Observing Leader should attend AKT 12-24 months prior to their Weekend.

DOC Training: Individual Kairos Communities need to be aware of the requirements of their institution regarding training and badges. The next training is August 22nd, 9:15AM-1:00PM in Roberts Chapel on the Tift College campus in Forsyth, GA.

NEW BUSINESS:

Miscellaneous: The following question was raised concerning the policy of "Take nothing in, take nothing out": Is it appropriate for volunteers (but not in conjunction with a Kairos event) to accept material from an institution's Arts & Crafts Department, carry same to their church home and in turn the church makes a monetary donation through the warden's office to help maintain the Arts & Crafts Department? Mike is to contact Brad regarding this.

Website Development: Jim reported that the appearance of the website may change in the coming months but the nuts and bolts of it will remain the same. Plans are for it to be more interactive so that volunteers can upload team pictures and videos. There was much discussion regarding the lack of updated participant lists on the website listing those inmates that had attended a recent Kairos Weekend. Weekend leaders also need to be diligent about changing the list of participants in EZRA when an alternate replaces someone on the Weekend. Mention was made that the Kairos of Georgia calendar displays a lot of information (Weekends from other states and countries most notably) that complicates using the calendar. Jim said that there had been some problems with Google Calendars and that in the future the only items displayed on the calendar should be US AKT dates and location, and Georgia Weekends and Reunions. There were several comments about the participant list being out-of-

date, in some cases as much as a year behind (Lee-Arrendale and Whitworth). Jim said that he was simply not getting the data from the Leader's Reports and would follow-up on this.

Elections: Brad has decided not to serve as Chair in 2016 and Vice Chair Rob Washington is not returning due to health issues. There are several positions that need to be filled on the SCC and Brad is forming a nominations Committee for election at the next SCC meeting in November.

Mike adjourned the meeting at 12:15 and benediction was given by the pastor of Christ UMC.

Respectfully submitted,

Ladson Golden, Secretary

Please see attendance roster below.

GEORGIA STATE COMMITTEE

ATTENDANCE ROSTER 5-2-2015

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	X	A	
Vice Chairman	Rob Washington		X	A	A	
Int'l Council Rep #1	Beverly Upperman		X	X	A	
Int'l Council Rep #2	Alice Dickerson		X	X	X	
Secretary	Ladson Golden		X	X	X	
Financial Secretary	Walter Straham		X	A	X	
Treasurer	Jim Wilson		A	X	X	
Outreach/Volunteer Recruitment	Rob Washington		X	A	A	
Fundraising	Michael Ellis		A	A	A	
Agape	Chris & Corrie Burgett		A	A	X	
Programs	Doug Unger		X	X	X	
Website Development	Jim Wilson		A	X	X	
Clergy Recruiting/Training	Beverly Upperman		X	X	A	
Advisory Council Coor.						
Advisory Member/ AKT Coordinator	Lillian Robinson		A	A	A	
Past Chairman	Mike Nix		X	X	X	
Council Representatives						
Arrendale	Colleen Freeman		X	A	X	
Arrendale Peer-to-Peer	Christy Timme		X	A	A	
ASMP	Gene LeFort		X	X	X	
Autry	Jim Dorris		X	X	X	
Baldwin	Dave Becker		X	A	A(S)	
Burruss	Tom Kibler		X	X	X	
Calhoun	Kenneth Jarrett		A(S)	A (S)	X	
Central	Tom Snyder		A(S)	X	X	
Coastal (Need AC Report)	Tommy Lightfoot		A	A	A	
Dooly	Jack Elliott		X	X	X	
Emanuel	Betsy Newton		X	A	A	
GSP	Arthur Fickling		X	X	X	
Hancock	Perkins Williams		X	X	A(S)	
Kairos Outside North Georgia	Joyce McElroy		A(S)	X	X	
Lee (Need AC Report)	Harry Bryant		X	X	A(S)	

Macon State Prison	Todd Avery		A(S)	A	A	
Phillips	Ken Sawyer		X	X	A(S)	
Pulaski (Need AC Report)	Susie Barnes		A(S)	X	A	
Rogers (Need AC Report)	David Kicklighter		A	A	A	
Smith	Randy Ashurst		X	A	X	
Valdosta/Valdosta Annex	Jeff Hornsby		X	X	A(S)	
Walker	Rudy Patton		X	X	X	
Ware	Jack Denker		X	A	X	
Washington	Jim Uslan		A	A	A	
Whitworth Detention Center	Anna Reid		A(S)	A(S)	A(S)	
Wilcox	Will Jones		X	A	A	
		TOTAL	30/41	24/41	26/41	00/41

(41 Positions/39 Individuals)

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