

Kairos of Georgia Executive Committee
Virtual GoTo Meeting Minutes
July 30, 2021

Chair Beverly Upperman welcomed each person, and the meeting began at 7:05 PM. Stan Yarbrough opened the meeting with a prayer and devotional about our nation being fractured. Stan said that we need Jesus and Christian unity in all that goes on in our lives. The Kairos Prison Ministry allows us to practice unity with our volunteers and participates.

Those in attendance were Beverly Upperman, Ladson Golden, Tom Kibler, Walter Larry, Audrey Jones, Arthur Fickling and Stan Yarbrough. A quorum was determined to be present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Reported that 2022 elections will begin after the July State meeting. We were reminded that KPMI has changed the AC and SCC terms of service from two, three-year terms to three, three-year terms (for a total of nine years). The only exception is that the International Council Representative term will remain at six years but may serve an additional three years in another SCC position.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Walter reviewed the current Balance sheet and P & L report. Kairos of Georgia had income of \$46,195 through June 30, 2021. Very little expenses have occurred in 2021 and the donations from churches, organizations and volunteers have continued to come in. Walter is working with the local AC's to capture all assets like trailers, sound equipment, translation equipment, storage units and computers. Walter has an open action item to work with each AC to inventory their fixed assets.

TREASURER REPORT: Stan will remind the AC's that we have returned to requiring two signatures on all deposits. Stan said after serving for six years, he will step down as Treasurer on 12/31/2021. Beverly thanked Stan for his dedicated service to Kairos of Georgia as Treasurer.

IC REPORT: No report.

AKT REPORT: No AKT in Georgia is scheduled for 2021. Ann Straham is the Georgia AKT Coordinator. Beverly requested that Ann Straham attend the Jacksonville AKT on August 20-22, 2021 to allow Ann to observe the training and all that goes into hosting an AKT training event. A motion was made and seconded to pay for all expenses for Ann to attend. The Georgia Executive Committee approved paying for Ann as part of her training for her AKT Coordinator duties.

CHAIR REPORT: The Kairos annual conference was held in July in Louisville, KY, with approximately 450 in face-to-face attendance. Georgia was represented by Beverly. Walter Straham and Lalena Wilson attended and hosted breakout sessions. Beth Maycumber, former Georgia Chairperson and IC representative was present as a member of the KPMI board. The conference was very informative and a great success. During the State Chair meeting, volunteers were encouraged to use the term 'reset' instead of 'reopen', as we go back into the prisons. We are now looking at new ways to present the Kairos Ministry, because the old ways may no longer work after the Covid shutdown. Also, we need to talk about what we know and not about what we don't know.

Beverly reported that GDOC will allow volunteers to enter institutions starting August 1, 2021.

Beverly in talking with GDOC Chaplain Hughes, said the chaplain does not know what the volunteer and participant numbers will look like. Each AC Institutional Liaison will need to coordinate with their Chaplain and Warden to determine when the volunteers can reenter and all the details concerning numbers, food, etc. Beverly brought up that several of our ACs, Dooly SP, Whitworth SP (no Chair, due to the Chair relocating), Ware SP and Macon SP all have AC council issues that place them in a potential Inactive Status. They will need

to work toward filling the six required positions on their ACs before they can go back into their respective institutions.

Beverly is recommending David Griffin (Burruss) to serve as State Data Coordinator (optional position). Executive Committee supports this recommendation.

VICE CHAIR REPORT: Ladson Golden reported that there was no State Chair conference call meeting since our last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Prayer Focus - KO Northwest (Robin Peek), Lee SP (Melvin Paulk), Macon SP (Alan Frost), Macon YDC (Angela Johnson), Phillips SP (Jeff Parow), Pulaski SP (Vicki Douberly), and Rogers SP (Tommy Casey).

Next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2021, and hopefully be face-to-face in Forsyth, GA.

There being no further business before the committee, meeting closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Kibler, Secretary
Kairos of Georgia