

Kairos of Georgia State Chapter Meeting Minutes

July 31, 2021

Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

Chairman Beverly Upperman welcomed each participant as they logged on to the virtual SCC meeting. Meeting was opened at 9:07 AM.

Ron Jones opened the meeting with prayer and led the group in a very good devotion and reminded us as believers, to find a blessing. Used the story of the woman in the Bible that found her blessing by touching the hem of Jesus' garment. The SCC joined together in singing a couple of songs. What a joyful noise.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Roll was completed, and a quorum was established. Reminded SCC representatives that the 2022 elections process needs to begin now. Also noted that KPMI changed the term limits for the Advisory Councils from two, three-year terms (for a total of six years) to three, three-year terms (for a total of nine years). The International Representatives will remain as a six-year term.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Walter reviewed the current Balance sheet and P & L report. Kairos of Georgia had an income of \$46,195 through June 30, 2021. Very little expenses have occurred in 2021 and the donations from churches and organizations 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.

TREASURERS REPORT: Stan reminded the AC's that we have returned to requiring two signatures on all deposits. Deposit slips are available upon request. Stan notified the SCC that after serving for six years, he will step down as Treasurer on 12/31/2021. If anyone is interested in the position, Stan welcomes talking with any interested person(s). Stan recommends that interested persons review the SCC Operating Procedures (SCCOP) and Financial Policies and Practices, which are both found on the MyKairos web page downloads.

IC REPORT: No report.

AKT REPORT: No AKT is scheduled for 2021 in Georgia. Ann Strahan has taken over as the Georgia AKT Coordinator. Ann will be attending the Jacksonville AKT on August 20-22, 2021. The Georgia Executive Committee approved paying for Ann, as part of her training for her AKT Coordinator duties. Registration for AKT is now on-line at MyKairos.org.

Note: KPMI has previously issued a determination that a completed AKT is good for 36 months through a variance of a one-year extension.

CHAIR REPORT: The Kairos annual conference was held in July in Louisville, KY, with approximately 450 in a face-to-face attendance. Georgia was represented by Beverly. Walter Strahan and Lalena Wilson attended and hosted workshop 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. In the State Chair meeting, volunteers were encouraged to promote volunteers not saying we are "reopening", as we go back into the prisons, but we are "Resetting." 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 Liaison will need to coordinate with their institution Chaplain and Warden, to determine when the volunteers can reenter and all the details concerning numbers, food, etc. Volunteers are reminded to make sure their badges are current and if not, to take the appropriate action. Badge renewal and new volunteer training is available on-line at the Georgia Department of Corrections website.

Recommend that each AC Liaison go to the MyKairos website and take the Liaison training session. Two dates are currently available on October 5th and November 11th. Another recommend training for all volunteers on the website is the Continuing Ministry Training.

Note- The KPMI Health form, available on the MyKairos website, will need to be filled out by all volunteers that attend any face-to face meeting, gathering or event.

VICE CHAIR REPORT: Ladson Golden reported that no State Chair meeting since last SCC meeting. Reminded us of AKT online registration and refresher training.

OLD BUSINESS: Diane Morgan, Programs Coordinator, reported she and her team have made an informative video for Kairos Inside and she can make it available upon request.

Action Item: Diane plans on making videos for Kairos Outside and Kairos Torch, but needs input from the appropriate ministry volunteers.

NEW BUSINESS: Debra Wrape, Fundraising Coordinator, talked about some fund raiser ideas and provided a Fundraiser calendar to the SCC. This calendar will be posted with the July SCC minutes.

Octavia Everett, Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator, reported that 12 volunteers, eight women and four men, had inquired on-line about the Kairos Ministry in Georgia.

Arthur Fickling led the SCC in prayer for KO Northwest (Robin Peek), Lee SP (Melvin Paulk), Macon SP (Alan Frost), Macon YDC (Angela Johnson), Phillips SP (Jeff Parow), Pulaski SP (Vicki Douberly), Rogers SP (Tommy Casey), Kairos Prison Ministry, Institution Staff, former participants and all Kairos volunteers.

With no other business, meeting was closed. Next SCC meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2021, at Christ United Methodist Church, Forsyth, GA.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Kibler
Secretary Kairos of Georgia

Please see the year-to-date attendance roster next page below

GEORGIA STATE COMMITTEE

ATTENDANCE ROSTER 7-31-2021

Those in blue constitute the Executive Committee.

Position	Name	Notes	2-29-2021	5-29-2021	7-31-21	10-30-21
			P= Pres	A=Ab	S=Sub	E=Excused
Executive Committee						
Chairman	Beverly Upperman		P	P	P	
Vice Chairman	Ladson Golden		P	P	P	
Int'l Council Rep #1	Audrey Jones		P	P	P	
Int'l Council Rep #2	Arthur Fickling		P	A	P	
Secretary	Tom Kibler		P	P	P	
Financial Secretary	Walter Larry		P	P	P	
Treasurer	Stan Yarbrough		P	P	P	
Programs	Diane Morgan		P	P	P	
Fundraising	Debra Wrape		P	P	P	
Agape	Edward Byrum		P	A	P	
Outreach/Volunteer Recruitment	Octavia Everett		A	P	P	
Website Development (non-voting)	Lalena Wilson		P	P	P	
Optional positions below are non-voting						
Clergy Recruiting/Training	Jim Smith	Excused	P	P	E	
Advisory Council Coor.	Colleen Freemon		P	A	P	
Adv. Member/AKT Coor.	Ann Straham		P	A	P	
Advisory Council Representatives						
Arrendale-Lee	Colleen Freemon		P	A	P	
Atlanta Metro Reentry	Tim Harris		P	P	P	
Atlanta YDC Torch	Lillian Robinson	Cindy Jones	P	A-S	A-S	
ASMP	Phil Lewis		A	P	P	
Autry	Thomas Smith		A	A	A	
Baldwin	Jim Hundley		P	P	P	
Burruss	David Griffin		P	P	P	
Calhoun	Doug Porter		A	A	P	
Coastal	Gaylon Greger	Moved to TX	P	A	A	
Dooly	Wayne Hill		A	A	A	
Emanuel	Nancy Mylar		P	P	P	
GSP	Doug Hopkins		A	A	A	
Hancock	Jerry Kirby		P	P	P	
Kairos Outside North GA	Vanessa Velez-Cruz		P	P	P	
Kairos Outside NW GA	Ronald Jones		P	P	P	
Lee	Andrew Hughlett		A	A-S	A	
Macon State Prison	Bob Carter		P	A	P	
Macon YDC Torch	Octavia Everett		A	P	P	
Phillips	Daniel Morgenroth		P	P	P	
Pulaski	Judy Fountain		P	P	P	
Rogers	Dawson Long		P	P	P	
Smith	Scott Zeplin	Matt Jackson	P	P	A-S	

Valdosta/Valdosta Annex	Roy Davis		P	P	P	
Walker	Kerry Augustus		P	A	P	
Ware	Ben Mannahan	Excused	P	P	E	
Washington	Stacy Kitchen	Jim Blount	P	P	A-S	
Whitworth Detention Center	Bari Boyea		A	P	P	
Wilcox	John Glaize		P	P	P	
GUESTS						
Atlanta YDC Torch	Jae Johnson				P	
Smith	Thom Staub				P	