

Kairos of Georgia Executive Committee
Virtual GoTo Meeting Minutes
October 29, 2021

Chair Beverly Upperman welcomed each person, and the meeting began at 7:00 PM. Audrey Jones opened the meeting with a devotional about Thanksgiving, giving thanks and that we need to “find the blessing.” Audrey prayed for Kairos Prison Ministry and our Executive Committee meeting.

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 AC elections were under way. We will remind the SCC reps tomorrow that elections should be completed by December 1st and recorded in Kairos Messenger prior to 12/31/2021.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Walter reviewed the current Balance sheet and P & L report. Kairos of Georgia had income of \$61,443 through September 30, 2021. Walter continues 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 said that he is stepping down at the end of the year. Stan said that no person has stepped up to volunteer for the state Treasurer. Beverly thanked Stan for his dedicated service to Kairos of Georgia as Treasurer.

IC REPORT: No report.

VICE CHAIR REPORT: Ladson Golden reminded us that ACs need to keep up with their volunteers and reengage them as we return into the institutions. The website MyKairos has great videos available for training and motivation. The KPMI newsletter will be out in early November. Reminder that the AC Financial Secretary needs to get the Donor Tax Letters out by the end of the year. All ACs need to be diligent in following KPMI and GDOC/Institution Covid guidelines. The General Council United Methodist Men have committed to partner with KPMI and this will be a great recruiting opportunity. Ladson said that Evelyn expressed that KPMI may have a year-end financial need due to the extended shutdown of the ministry due to Covid. After much discussion, the committee voted to recommend an interministry blessing of up to \$15,000 be given to KPMI. Beverly will follow up with Evelyn to discuss this matter.

CHAIR REPORT: Reminder us that GDOC is renewing badges with information available on both the Kairosofgeorgia.org and GDOC websites.

Beverly and Beth Maycumber met with the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice about potential 2022 Torch weekend dates for Atlanta and Macon YDCs. Also discussed starting communities to support Torch at Eastman and Augusta YDCs in 2022. Georgia has 19 YDC locations that Georgia DJJ want to have Kairos Torch in as soon as possible

Note - The KPMI Health form is available on the MyKairos website. The form needs to be filled out by ALL volunteers that attend ANY face-to face meeting, gathering or event. The completed forms shall be retained by the local AC.

OLD BUSINESS: Stan reported that the 2022 Nominating Committee had no nominations for the State Treasurer or the International Council Rep. Tom Kibler suggested that since the AC State Rep positions were

being eliminated in 2022, maybe two of the reps, Dawson Long and David Griffin, might be willing to serve on the 2022 Executive Committee. After some discussion the committee decided to call Dawson Long about the International Council Representative and David Griffin about the State Treasurer position. The results will be presented at the SCC meeting tomorrow. There will also be a vacancy of the State Clergy position. All other Executive Committee members agreed to continue in service in 2022.

NEW BUSINESS: The SCC meeting dates for 2022 (scheduled for the fifth Saturdays) are as follows: 1/29/22, 4/30/22, 7/30/22 and 10/29/22. Note that 2022 has a fifth, fifth Saturday on 12/31/22, but the SCC will not meet on that day. The next fifth Saturday is not until 4/29/23; therefore, the SCC shall meet on the fourth Saturday in January, 1/28/23.

The prayer focus for the following ACs are Smith SP (Tom Staub), Valdosta SP (Crawford Powell), Walker SP (Buddy Looney), Ware SP (Kelly Reynolds), Washington SP (Sal Italian), Whitworth SP (Shelly Rose), Wilcox SP (Jay Cruz), Kairos Prison Ministry, Institution Staff, former participates and all Kairos volunteers.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2022, 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