

St. Louis Area Ministers Association (SLAMA)

Pastor Tommy Smith, Chairperson

Pastor Michael Merritt Sr., Vice Chairperson

Pastor Ferrell Roddy, Treasurer

Meeting Minutes for September 26, 2020

Location: ZOOM MEETING

Attendees:

Vernon Tharpe

Mea Epps

David Winslow

Brian Mack

Ferrell Roddy

Tommy Smith

Marilyn Stowers

Dorian Hall

Jefferson

Jeannette Cochran

Douglas Parham

1. **Prayer:** The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Pastor Tommy Smith. Opening prayer by Pastor Stowers.

2. **Minutes:** None Available

3. Reports:

MAYCOG: None

Picnic: None

Outreach: None

Hospitality: Pastor Cochran brief on financial assistance to family members. Minister Toni Burrows tested positive for Covic. Family is in isolation.

Financial: Pastor Roddy – Checking Account \$3,409.42; Saving Account \$1,594.70; Total \$5,004.12

Education: Pastor Stowers will discuss crucial issues from mid-year meeting during the Education presentation.

4. **Old Business:** Pastor Roddy address the 501,3c application not completed. Pastor Roddy announces retirement from SLAMA treasure after serving for 28 years. Discussion of moving SLAMA account to a Bank not charging fees. Pastor Roddy briefly discusses with finance committee members on replacement. Pastor Hall can only serve interim until April because of a new position at work. Minister Epps committed to other activities. Chairman willing to step down in order to fill Treasure position. Pastor Winslow stated, he would step in as a treasurer. Members agreed to use a Richmond, Height COG address as submission for 501. Chairman will work with Pastor Winslow on Article of Incorporation and 501. Chairman requested a void check from Treasurer to initiate online Giving using Tithely.

The Chairman opened the floor to the Minister for discussion on health. Pastor Parham wanted to know how others been operating during COVIC. The Ministers discuss about health and Church services.

5. **New Business:** The chairman asked could we have a revival or unity service online. Pastor Roddy mention, it could be difficult for older people. Pastor Stowers and Minister Epps mention techniques other Church of God Churches use broadcasting services. Ministers agreed to have an online Unity Service the end of January 2021.
6. **Education:** None
7. **Announcements:** Pastor Roddy introduces Minister Jefferson accepting the calling and new SLAMA member.
8. **Offering:** None
9. **Prayer Request:** (1.) Pastor Stowers loss of Pastor Diane (2.) Pastor Stower's cousin with cancer and cousin dealing with spirit of suicide (3.) Pastor Parham member Dennis Williams (4.) Pastor Cochran, the Hunter family, Churches and Pastors. Prayer by Pastor Mack.
10. **Adjournment:** 11:00 AM by Pastor Tommy Smith

Submitted by Pastor Tommy Smith