

## SLAMA Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2022

Those in attendance:

Pastor Tommy Smith, Chairman

Elder Mea L. Epps, Secretary

Pastor Harlem Burrow

Executive Pastor Toni Burrow

Pastor Jeannette Cochran

Pastor Charles Wilkens

Minister John Harper

The meeting was called to order at 9:55 a.m. by Chairman Smith and opened with prayer by Pastor Wilkens. The minutes were read by the Secretary and it was moved by Executive Pastor Toni Burrow and second by Pastor Jeannette Cochran that the minutes be accepted as read.

### **Reports:**

MAYCOG – No Report

Outreach – No Report

Picnic – No Report

Hospitality – There is money on hand in the amount of \$50.00 that can be used should a death occur in the family of an area pastor or minister.

Financial – No Report as the Treasurer is absent. Executive Pastor Burrow requested a narrative be sent in regard to the financial information.

Education – The committee will move forward in their planning for education on by-laws.

### **Old Business:**

By-Laws Education – It was decided that there would be education in regard to by-laws as the meeting that was held at The Gathering Place, Pastor Wright's church, was not in regard to that. Pastor Cochran suggested that the Illinois State Pastor, Pastor Eric Livingston and the Missouri State Pastor, Pastor Howard Megill, be a part of any discussion in regard to by-laws as each state may have an expert that can give direction should any area church find that they need to make updates. At the next SLAMA meeting, the education committee will present Best Practices for by-laws which will include Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)

**Picnic** – It was suggested that Pastor Tommy Smith contact Elder Norma Nelson in regards to the picnic to see if she has someone in mind who is willing to assume the duties of the planning and executing the picnic

**Unity Service Locations** – January 29, 2023 First Church of God-Richmond Heights; Pastor Tommy Smith, speaker

April 30. 2023 Kinloch Church of God; Minister John Harper, speaker

July 30, 2023 First Church of God-Madison; Pastor Jeannette Cochran, speaker

October 29. 2023 First Church of God-Richmond Heights, Pastor Charles Wilkens, speaker

Wentzville Church of God – The church property was sold due to delinquent taxes. It has been conditionally deeded to the Church of God, Anderson. Litigation continues and we continue to pray for the situation.

**New Business:**

There was no new business.

**Announcements:**

Pastor Jeannette Cochran will celebrate her 12<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary

Pastor Marilyn Stowers and her husband will celebrate their wedding anniversary

12/10/2022 World Wide Ministries will host a prayer vigil for families that have lost children

12/17/2022 World Wide Ministries will host a toy drive

**Prayer Requests:**

Wentzville Church of God, Kinloch Church of God, Kirkwood Church of God

Pastor Jeannette Cochran, Pastor Charles Wilkens and his wife, Meecham Park Neighborhood

Chairman Smith and Family, Elder Norma Nelson, Students taking finals and then travelling home from school

The mental health of students, Self control In communities

**The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m. with prayer by Minister John Harper.**