

CROSSROADS PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

8 July 2024

1700 hours

Frontier Chapel, Rm 158, Fort Leavenworth, KS

Attendees

Chris Quinlan-President

David Bodde-Vice President

CH(MAJ) Andrew Muilenburg– Pastor

Carl Tillery – DRE, Absent

Kathy Kem – Secretary/Parish Coordinator

Charles Gray-1100 Ushers-Absent

Bill Reindl – 0830 Music

Amy Quinlan, PWOC

Tom Ward – MOC

Keith Purvis – Children’s Church

Samantha Odle – Youth, YFC, (via phone)

Senior Saints (Vacant)

Jim Harbridge, OCF

CH (MAJ) Dan King-Absent

CH Chris Weinrich

Jeff Smith – Outreach

CH Nate McLean

1. Opening Prayer and Devotion – Chris Q shared from 1 Corinthians 9:16 where Paul is talking about preaching the gospel. Paul doesn’t serve for material gain. Priority is to preach the gospel. Challenges the group how are you putting the gospel first and foremost in your efforts? Sometimes the business gets in the way. Chris opened in prayer.

2. Review of May Meeting Minutes (attached) . Motion to approve the minutes by Keith and seconded by Jim. Motion approved.

3. Financial Updates

-Current Tracker. None. Andrew spoke with CH King and received an updated budget authority of about \$44,000. Andrew talked about several events including a leadership retreat. Jim asked which leaders. Andrew said it is still fairly loose at this point. Ch McLean commented that there are some things that current leadership needs to be trained on and brought up to date. He also encouraged that we do joint leadership training with the other PACTS (councils). Keith said he hears 3 things. Training required, joint meetings and a retreat. Sees overlap of these...are these all part of the retreat? Andrew said initially this would be CrossRoads centric. CH McLean shared that the training and retreat are separate. Training should ideally happen every quarter.

4. Ministry Reports (Including updates on **budget execution and planning**)

-Senior Saints. Position is vacant. Updates given on Sam Young and Chadderdon. Kathy recommended we ask DK Clark to fill this position. Kathy will ask him.

-PWOC. Amy Quinlan reported the following:

-PWOC begins three weeks of a mini summer session tomorrow. (9, 16, & 23 July)

-Continuing to meet new ladies at playground meet-up dates (two left this summer- 11 & 25 July)

-Continuing to seek to fill appointed board positions as new ladies begin attending, and as the Lord leads.

-Will hold a board training day 20 July.

-Lay Ministry (Neighborhood Bible Studies, OCF Discipleship Breakfast, etc.)

DTB Starts again Tuesday, 9 July. We are looking for more Lesson Leaders.

We are starting to meet and recruit potential Neighborhood bible Study (NBS) Leaders. NBS Training and Kick-off will happen in early August, pending coordination with Andrew.

Jack Kem has agreed to take on the role of our Mentorship Program Coordinator since Michael and Gayle Purath will be moving at some point this year.

Holy Smokes (Men) and Coffee Conversation (Women) will kick off as we continue to meet people.

BBQ Bonanza 20/21 September.

-MOC. Tom Ward reported the following:

Meetings: Every Thursday, 0600-0700 in Pioneer Chapel Activity Room (02, 09, 16, 23, and 30 May; 06, 13, 20, and 27 JUN).

Activity: Prayer praises and concerns, Bible & Book study, fellowship

Average attendance: MAY and JUN April 2024 attendance average was 9 with 7 typically in person and 2 more coming in virtually.

Recent activity:

a. Bible study group: Studying More Than a Carpenter, by Josh McDowell. Progressed through Chapter 9 by the end of June.

b. Visit with MAJ Caleb Bloom, from Staff Group 11B, on 23 May to share his personal testimony was both enlightening and encouraging.

Notes:

Future events planned:

- Next study – probably 1 & 2 Peter or Acts
- Boy's night out to see The Sound of Freedom and Unsung Hero
- Prayer retreat and Arctic survival trip to Valley Forge, PA, December 2024
- Holy Land tour in Spring 2025; travel via tall (sailing) ship

Agenda items:

None

-DRE

-Youth of the Chapel.

June has been a slower month than most due to school ending, families PCSing, and Club being on a break. That said, we have stayed busy with smaller events each week throughout the month of June. I have started a weekly Bible study with incoming freshman students who are serious about their faith. We met once per week and so far, we have covered basic hermeneutics, the gospel from Romans **1-4**, what it looks like to live a Christian life through Romans 12, and biblical decision making. We have had three two park meet-ups where we play kickball, eat snacks, and fellowship. We also had two pool days where students were welcome to come to Hancock pool and just hang out with other Campus Life friends.

We teamed up with Wallula Christian Church for a "Bigger and Better" scavenger hunt. Wallula brought 19 students and six adults on Post and we split

up around the installation on a hunt for the "biggest and best" thing. Each group started with a paperclip and traded up by going house-to-house in their assigned neighborhood and asked if people had something they'd be willing to trade. Groups came back with an electric scooter, a brand new, never opened Amazon Fire Stick, a painting, coolers, grills, clothing, and many other things. This event was overall successful, and I think we'll do it again next year, but preferably before the CGSC families PCS to their new duty stations.

The first half of July is slow because I am on vacation until the 15th, but the second half of the month will pick up with preparations for Club starting again on August 7th, new students coming in, continuation of our Bible study, and finalizing ministry plans for the 24-25 school year.

Total Participation:

Cumulative Jr High Attendance: 43 Cumulative Sr High Attendance: 62 Total Volunteer Staff: 26

Financial Report:

Youth For Christ

Funds: \$0

Appropriated

Funds: \$0

Non-appropriated Funds: \$2,050.66

-Sunday School.

-Children's Church. Children's church begins this coming Sunday. Need additional volunteers since some have PCS'd.

-AWANA

-Financial Peace University

-Music. Choir meets on Thursday evenings at 630pm. Amplifiers in Pioneer Chapel are being left on. They should be turned off after every service.

-Worship (Ushers, etc.)

-Outreach. Jeff Smith reported the following. Past 30 days

- Follow Up with two connect cards (regular attenders)

Planning

- Community Outreach planned for 03 August, 0900-1200. Will meet at Frontier Chapel 0900-0945 for training and prayer then at the PX from 1000-1200.
- Missions Sunday in October. The goal is to highlight Global Missions and have a guest speaker. This has been discussed previously with our Pastor and CH McLean, though no specific date has been set.

- Recommend Local ministry support/partnerships. Below is a current list of ministries we will aim to support in the next FY. The goal is to highlight and partner with one ministry per quarter IOT provide our body local service/missions opportunities.
 - On Post
 - Prison Ministry
 - ESL
 - Youth
 - Off Post
 - Leavenworth Mission
 - Interfaith community of Hope
 - Community meal at First United Methodist Church

-Others

5. Review of other old business

- Constitutional Amendment Subcommittee (Update). Dave Bodde shared that we should distinguish those parts that are principles vs those that are ministry. Put those that are ministry related in an administrative document to make changes easier. Dave asked everyone to highlight those areas that you think are administrative and email to Dave. Please respond within the next two weeks. Will present the proposed changes at next month's meeting and then vote the following month.

- Chapel Sponsored OCF Spring Canyon Retreat AAR. Suggested that we keep this as a sustain for next year.

- Pioneer Chapel Bibles showing wear. Did we replace any? (Tom Ward) Offer still stands from Tom to replace whatever we need.

- Opening prayer and devotion for upcoming meetings:

JUL – Chris Q

12 AUG – Tom Ward

9 SEP –

OCT –

NOV –

DEC –

6. Pastoral Guidance. Andrew shared his lines of effort for the coming year. Not intended to change anything we are doing, but to ensure we are all on the same page and going in the same direction. 5 Minute story-Testimony, what is God doing in your life. Andrew will go first to demonstrate the model for others to follow.

Jim shared to emphasized that Sunday School is what connects the two services. Need to tell people that is an integral part of who we are. Donut time is a great time for personal invitations (after both services, not just 0830).

7. New Business

- VBS Needs – Key Leader Positions/Volunteers/Training dates/Supplies etc.

VBS recruitment is under way. We still need a games leader. Sign up begins this coming Sunday. Recruiting group leaders.

- New Visitors / guest reception

- PX Outreach Day – Needs? Training? (Jeff Smith)

- Ministry Tables – Pioneer & Frontier?

- PAIR Day – Manning schedule?

Tom suggested perhaps we participate in the retiree appreciation day. This could be part of the Senior Saints Position. Seems to be in late October.

Jim suggested we bring Shelly Wilson up and farewell Shelly Wilson properly.

8. Upcoming calendar

9 July - OCF Begins

9, 16, 23 July – PWOC Summer Sessions

11, 25 July – PWOC Playground Meet-up dates

14 July – Children’s Church Resumes

14 July-11 Aug – Ministry Tables

3 Aug – PX Outreach Day

6-8 Aug – VBS

7 Aug – Youth Group Resumes Weekly Mtgs

17 Aug – PAIR Day

17 Aug – Red Cross Blood Drive

18 Aug – Crossroads Bowling Event

20 Aug – PWOC Fall Kick-off

20/21 Sept-BBQ Bonanza

9. Next Meeting: 12 Aug 23

10. Closing Prayer. Dave Bodde closed in prayer. Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.