

Minutes Camping Meeting January 25, 2003

- Attendees: John Telgren, Leavenworth; Mark Walker, Liberty; Tom Tinsley, Bonner Springs; Jan Sullivan, Blue River; Paul Talley, Overland Park; Ken Truax, East Independence; Smokey Mckinney, Southside Lawrence; Chris Stewart, Southwest Topeka; Ted Phillips, Gladstone; Jerry Myers, Central Topeka; Steve Myer, Overland Park; Tim Douthart, Highland Park Topeka; Charles Garretty, Overland Park; Dennis Bacon, Overland Park; Bill Carriger Jr., Central Topeka; Jim DuBose, Central Topeka; Doug & Vickie Portell, Overland Park.
- The meeting was held at the Overland Park Church of Christ
- Charles Garretty opened the meeting at 9:10 A.M.
- Dennis Bacon gave an update on the evolution of the area-wide camping pursuit.
- Smokey McKinney gave a brief history of the "Christian Camping, Inc." Board and their recent decision to allow for significant modifications to the Board makeup should the desire/need for that develop from this area wide camping pursuit.
- Bill Carriger presented information on a potential site (approximately 100 acres) he is willing to donate (i.e. Lease for \$1/year) to the Board should they elect to pursue developing a campsite on that property.
- After some discussion Charles Garretty motioned that all represented approve the "Christian Camping Board" as the formal organization to pursue a joint area wide camping experience. The motion unanimously passed.
- Smokey McKinney, as current President of the Board, then led a discussion to a general agreement that the Board be reconstituted with members as noted from the below listed congregations. Members may not necessarily be those in attendance today but will have an involvement and significant interest in camping for their respective congregations. The Board may likely be divided into committees with different focus, E.g. Camping activities, Selecting & securing a campsite, Policies & procedures, etc. Representatives at the meeting today will confirm their congregation's Board representative(s) to Smokey McKinney prior to the next meeting.
 - Blue River, Bonner Springs, Central Topeka (3), East Independence, Gladstone, Leavenworth, Liberty, Overland Park (2), Red Bridge, Southside Lawrence, Southwest Topeka.
- John Telgren of Leavenworth agreed to develop a web site for the Board to facilitate communications and information sharing.
- Jim DuBose and Bill Carriger announced a National Association of Christian Camps (NACC) workshop to be held at Fallhall Glen, WI April 29-May 2. All churches participating in this project are strongly urged to send a representative to this workshop and notify Bill Carriger so joint travel can be arranged. Handouts were made available for all to take. Should you need one notify Charles Garretty and he can fax you a copy.
- All participants were encouraged to think of a name for this endeavor that reflects the broad nature of involvement. Bring those suggestions to the next meeting.

- The next meeting is scheduled for **February 22, 9:00A.M. – 12:00 P.M.** at the Central Church of Christ in Topeka. A BBQ lunch is promised for those attending and an optional trip to the potential Harveyville campsite for those interested. Please, please **MARK YOUR CALENDERS NOW!**
- Tom Tinsley closed the meeting with a prayer about 11:55.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Garretty
Recorder