

Meeting Minutes – Stevenson Chapel Fund Association
6:30PM Wednesday, July 10, 2013
Faith Fellowship Hall, Cuero, Texas

The Stevenson Chapel Fund Association met on Wednesday July 10, 2013 at Faith Fellowship Hall. Those present included:

Paul Morkovsky
Richard Van Wormer
Leslie Rabke
Billy Stehling
Gary Flessner

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

A discussion was held regarding the possibility of using Gary Flessner's current 501[c]3 status temporarily in order to begin receiving funds and it was concluded that this would not be a feasible option at this time due to our current lack of legal counsel. Attorney Ray Reese was scheduled to attend this meeting but had to cancel at the last minute due to court obligations. Further discussion was then held regarding how to proceed with Reese as we have had no blessing of his time or talents since first he was suggested to us at the March 21st meeting. It was stated by Paul Morkovsky that one final attempt to contact Reese regarding the wishes of the Association to use him as our legal counsel will be made, and if no advance is obvious in the relationship, then other attorneys will be pursued. It was agreed by all in attendance that we must move quickly in this "incorporation" regard if any progress this year is to be realized.

Progress on the bank account will once again remain dormant due to our lack of incorporation. It was also noted that Johnny Varela had requested to remove his name as Financial Officer/Treasurer of the Association as he felt this post was not one he desires to undertake.

Paul Morkovsky stated that all press releases regarding the Chapel Fund Association, because it involves the Stevenson Prison, must receive approval of Huntsville TDCJ Public Relations before making them public. All press releases will be postponed at this time pending incorporation.

Morkovsky also reminded those present to forward names of agencies that may provide grants as well as individuals names to solicit donations from to him as he will be the point person for these solicitations.

Energetic discussion then ensued regarding what percentage of overall construction costs would accord a donor to be presented the opportunity to name the chapel building and/or certain rooms within the building as allowed by TDCJ. Richard Van Wormer made a motion that NO naming rights should be accorded any donor regardless of the size of his/her donation. The motion was seconded by Gary Flessner and the motion passed on a voice vote of 3 for and 2 against. Van Wormer proposed that a donor plaque could be integrated into the building to recognize donations of a certain amount.

Discussion was then held regarding the formation of a "marketing" committee to design public presentation materials and lecture type communications and it was suggested that John Ortmann should definitely be on that committee. Paul will contact Mr. Ortmann to discuss the committee and its function via email. It was noted that a deadline of September 1st should be the target for having

materials ready for presentations to area organizations. Gary Flessner suggested that we include the Kairos ministry's current video presentation and Richard Van Wormer stated that he is in possession of the compact discs and will make them available to Ortmann. Paul Morkovsky and Billy Stehling also volunteered to help on this committee.

Paul will email all association members regarding the options for the next meeting and it was stated that the seeming lack of enthusiasm shown by the low attendance at meetings may call for some additional measures to increase turnout. The next meeting will be held on a weeknight of the first week in August.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM

Approved: _____
Paul Morkovsky - Chairman