Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Board of the
Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

August 19, 2014

Present: Paul Westermeyer, Dean; David Jenkins, Subdean; David Geslin, Treasurer; Karen Becker, Secretary; Board members Jennifer Anderson, Phil Asgian, Pam Carlson, Jim Hild, Jon Kietzer, Jane Nienaber, Jungjoo Park. Also present: Michael Edwins, TCAGO Chaplain.

Excused: Sarah Garner, Carsten Slostad

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Mike Edwins gave the devotions using I Kings and Ephesians from the Moravian Daily Texts. Introductions were made.

II. Secretary’s Report – Dean Westermeyer will edit list of appointed officers to be looked over by the other board members. Phil Asgian moved to accept the minutes and Pam Carlson seconded. The minutes were approved.

III. Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer David Geslin gave a line-by-line explanation of the report. It was noted that the Barone scholarships are for organ students under 21 and are paid to their teachers. There was a suggestion to count attendance at programs as a gauge of publicity success. There was discussion on the value and efficacy of Pipenotes and the directory. Jon Kietzer moved to accept the treasurer’s report
and James Hild seconded. The treasurer’s report was accepted.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Program: Dean Westermeyer reported on the liturgy for the Sept. 21 event. He and Michael Edwins will decide details. The installation of officers will be at the dinner as in the past. This was approved by a voice vote. Two readers are needed for the liturgy, and Jim Hild will make inquiries and report to Dean Westermeyer. For future programs in professional development, David Jenkins invites suggestions be e-mailed to him.

B. Publicity: There was a suggestion that we need dedicated TCAGO e-mail, especially for publicity. The web site administrators will be asked to pursue this.

C. Registrar report: There are 283 active members, 67 lapsed members, and 16 new members. Several board members will call lapsed members to check if they would like to pay their dues and be reinstated as members. Sept. 15 is the deadline to be in the directory. There was general agreement to drop the zip code directory in the member directory.

D. Other reports: Regarding the role of TCAGO in Luther Seminary’s former music program, Jon Kietzer and Dean Westermeyer will discuss possible ways to form a task force to revive the program as part of the M.Div. degree.
V. Old Business – Regarding the Development Committee, discussion of its role will be tabled for now, but committee members will keep their appointments to this committee.

VI. New Business – The board agreed unanimously to ask Margaret Gohman to take the place of David Jenkins in the Class of 2015 and to ask Sarah Garner to accept the role as coordinator of publicity.

VII. Adjournment at approximately 9:15. David Jenkins motioned to adjourn and Jon Kietzer seconded. The next meeting will be Sept. 22 at 6:30 at St. Paul Seminary. The minutes will be sent to the board by e-mail at least one week prior.

ADDENDUM: Sarah Garner accepted the appointment as Chair of Media and Publicity. Margaret Gohman accepted the appointment to the Class of 2015.

The Audit Committee will be added as a standing committee.

ONCARD will be added to the agenda for our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Becker, Secretary