

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive board of the  
Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists  
February 24, 2014

Present: Laura Edman, Dean; Board members Phil Asgian, Jim Hild, David Jenkins, Jane Nienaber, Jungjoo Park, Jeff Patry, and Carsten Slostad.

Excused: Sarah Garner, David Geslin, Sharon Kleckner, Mary Newton, and Kirsten Falc Uhlenberg.

I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. and Laura gave devotions on Psalm 130.

II. Secretary's Report - There is one correction to the February 3, 2014 report: under "IV. Committee Reports -Education" - the school is Saint Paul Music Academy. With this correction, Phil Asgian moved to accept the minutes and also retroactively approve the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Carsten Slostad. Approved.

III. Treasurer's Report - No report.

IV. Committee Reports

A. *Program Report* - Laura gave the dates for the remaining programs for this year:

March 15 - Bach Birthday Bash

March 22 - Student Competition at Augustana Lutheran Church

March 23 - Winners Recital at Augustana Lutheran Church

May 9 - Members' Recital at Zion Lutheran Church in Anoka

June 1 - Potluck Picnic in Minnehaha Park

B. *Publicity Report* - David report that the draft is in process for the Members' Recital. They will meet next week and will be discussing the budget for next year which should be submitted by the end of May.

C. *Student Competition* - There are 4 applicants this year. We discussed how to get more students involved, including designing a press release for teachers that they could email to their students. Communication for the 2015 competition will need to start this summer.

D. *Pipe Organ Discovery Day* - Phil reported that it was a good day despite the bad weather. Nineteen students plus a dozen parents and some teachers attended the event at House of Hope Church. Michael Barone gave CDs to kids and Phil and Michael showed them the website and talked about scholarships. The students and guests climbed the bell tower to listen to and play the carillon. Idea for next year: use 2 churches where attendees could walk from one to the other. Nativity of Mary and Pilgrim Lutheran were mentioned as possibilities. Jeff will talk with Patrick Henning. Paul Stever is the musician at Pilgrim Church. Many thanks to Phil, Michael, Kirsten, and others who helped make this day a success.

## V. New Business

A. *Election Slate of Candidates for 2014-2015* - the Nominating Committee consisted of Dee Ann Crossley, chair, Jane Nienaber, Jeff Patry, John Salveson and Tim Strand. The listing of the people who agreed to run are as follows:

*Officers:*

Dean: Paul Westermeyer

Sub-dean: David Jenkins

Secretary: Karen Becker

Treasurer: none of the people contacted were able to help at this time, but David Geslin agreed to stay on another year if no one else agreed to run.

*Board members:* Jennifer Anderson, Pam Carlson, Margaret Gohman, Jon Kietzer, and Larry Reynolds

Carsten moved to approve the slate and Phil seconded. Approved. The election will be the first week of April and there will be a space on the ballot for write-in candidates. Bios will be on the ballot.

B. *Advertising for the Boston Convention* - After some discussion of our budget, Carsten moved that we buy a full color inside page ad for \$1150 for the convention book. Seconded by Phil. Approved. The feeling was that it is important to use the larger size ad and in it we can recognize our own Jessica Park who will be playing this year as a Rising Star and also Libby Larsen, composer of the year, who has been commissioned to write a piece for the convention. Sarah Garner will be asked to design this ad. The "deadline" is actually February 28, but we will submit it as

soon as it can be done. Even though we are over budget, there are funds from hospitality and board reserve which could be used to pay for this ad.

We briefly discussed the online silent auction for the convention and decided that members could be encouraged to do that on an individual basis. Information could go out in an email blast or in April *Pipenotes*. Auction items are needed by May 1.

VI. Adjournment - Jane moved for the meeting to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. and Carsten seconded. Approved.

VII. Next Meeting - **Monday, March 24, 2014**, at 6:30 p.m. at a meeting place TBD.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Nienaber, Acting Secretary