

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Board of the
Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
March 28, 2011**

PRESENT: James Callahan, Dean; Karen Flynn, Sub-dean; John Salveson, Secretary; David Geslin, Treasurer; Carolyn Diamond, Tom Ferry, Priscilla Franken, Dianne Jelle, and Geoff Olson. Also present were Mike Edwins, Chaplain; Jeffrey Patry, Professional Concerns.

Excused: Jane Hanson, Pat Kohnen, and Bill Stump.

I. Call to Order:

Dean James Callahan called the meeting to order at Offices of David Geslin.

Chaplain Edwins led us in devotion from the *Moravian Daily Texts*.

II. Treasurer's Report:

David reviewed the financial report. Included in the report was a first draft of the 2011 – 2012 budget.

It was pointed out that it has been our practice to estimate the interest from our investments rather than spending what was earned in the previous year. This has cause some budget challenges in the past.

National contacted us. The electronic membership renewal is not ready, so for this year, we will continue to handle membership renewals at the local level.

M/S/A to approve the treasurer's report

III. Secretary's Report:

Thank you to Priscilla Franken for taking and publishing minutes for the February meeting.

Karen moved to approve the minutes. Carolyn Seconded. Motion carried.

IV. Committee reports:

A. Program

Karen presented a preliminary sketch of the next season. The committee is asking about what programs are needed. This is, in part, due to the low attendance at "guild oriented" events.

Many of our educational events have fallen to the program committee. Should there be a separate committee that handles education? Many of our events have an educational component; others do not. For example, the opening event this year was “for fun.”

B. Budget requests.

Several committees submitted budget requests. Many of them were at 0.

Archives requested \$50.00

Commissions requests \$1250.00 (this request is being sent to the Special projects committee)

Hospitality requested \$910.00

Development requested \$300.00

Publicity requested \$500.00

We would like to have a brochure. One was created before the 2008 convention. Karen will ask Laura Edman about this.

We discussed the membership database. It was felt that the information should be backed up and stored with a secondary person. This might be something that should be in the membership or in the sub-dean portfolio.

Program committee will spend what the chapter deems appropriate. The preliminary recommendation would cost about \$2,300.00.

V. Other Business

A student membership costs us \$24.00 (the amount we send to national).

Currently, we offer free memberships to full time students 21 and under who reside in the TCAGO area. A lengthy discussion surfaced a number of ideas. James asked each board member, for the next meeting, to clearly articulate their own plan for creating free student memberships. We will discuss this further.

VI. Adjournment

Our April meeting will be postponed until May 2 (due to the Easter Holiday).

We will still meet on May 23rd.

Our June 27 meeting will be a potluck. Details to be announced.

Tom Moved to adjourn. Dianne seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Our next meeting will be Monday, May 2, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. John will forward the location to the board.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Salvesson, Secretary