

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Board of the
Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
May 2, 2011**

PRESENT: James Callahan, Dean; Karen Flynn, Sub-dean; John Salveson, Secretary; David Geslin, Treasurer; Priscilla Franken, Geoff Olson, and Bill Stump. Also present was Mike Edwins, Chaplain.

Excused: Carolyn Diamond, Tom Ferry, Jane Hanson, Dianne Jelle, and Pat Kohnen.

I. Call to Order:

Dean James Callahan called the meeting to order at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Bloomington.

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

II. Secretary's Report:

Geoff Olson moved/Karen Flynn Seconded to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was approved.

John said that he had now sent the earlier minutes to be posted on the web site.

III. Treasurer's Report:

We will end the year with a deficit. Some of this is due to program spending, but much of the deficit is a result of investment income that is smaller than initially projected.

Karen Moved/Priscilla seconded to approve the treasurer's report as presented. The motion was approved.

IV. Committee reports:

A. Program

We will wait to make a final decision on next year's opening event pending outcome of budget decisions.

This year's closing program is set. This will be a recital with very little speaking. Priscilla is working with hospitality. We will have name tags and opportunities for people to register for AGO events.

B. Investment Committee.

The Committee is looking at seven (7) different investment advisors. Each has been sent a questionnaire. From the responses, the committee will choose three (3) to interview.

- C. Publicity.
The publicity committee has begun working. Geoff reported that they have created a list of places to post events. Much of this is web based. There was also some discussion of using a phone tree to publicize events.

V. Other Business

1. Membership renewal:

All renewals levels are at the same rate as last year.

Karen moved that for 2011-2012 we offer unlimited free student membership. This is to be evaluated in one year with the understanding that free memberships include students 21 and under that are in the greater Twin Cities area.

Bill seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

It was agreed that the board understands that the greater Twin Cities includes St. John's University and St. Olaf College.

The membership form will state:

“Free membership will be granted to any resident of the greater Twin Cities Chapter Area, age 21 or younger, who is a full time student.”

2. Budget

We looked at our expenses. The board had a significant discussion about the expense lines. In the discussion, the board felt that continued support of *Pipedreams* was important. We will continue our budget discussion at the next meeting.

3. The Special Projects committee is going to meet and is looking for proposals. The commissions committee request will be included in the proposals. We will also make a request for a digital camera and for prizes for a drawing for those who participate in pier groups.
4. We will discuss the brochure at our next meeting

VI. Adjournment

Our next meeting will be on May 23rd. Our June 27 meeting will include a potluck.

Bill moved to adjourn. Geoff seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Salveson, Secretary