

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Board of the
Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
October 28, 2013**

Present: Laura Edman, Dean; Sharon Kleckner, Sub-Dean; David Geslin, Treasurer; Kirsten Falc Uhlenberg, Secretary; Sarah Garner, David Jenkins, Jane Nienaber, Jungjoo Park, Jeff Patry, Carsten Slostad

Excused: Phil Asgian, Jim Hild

Guests: Michael Edwins, Chaplain

I. Call to Order

Dean Edman called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM at our meeting location, Centennial United Methodist Church, 1524 County Road C2, Roseville, Minnesota.

Rev. Mike Edwins opened the meeting with scripture readings from Luke 18:14 and 1 Kings 18:37, and a prayer for All Saints' Day.

II. Secretary's Report

Sharon Kleckner moved to accept the minutes from the September meeting and Carsten Slostad seconded. The September minutes were approved.

III. Treasurer's Report

David Geslin reported on the Chapter's finances and the re-naming of certain line items for more clarity; Carsten Slostad moved to accept the Treasurer's report and the new names for those line items and Jane Nienaber seconded. The report and the new line-item names were approved.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Program: Sharon Kleckner, Chair of the Program Committee, reported that the committee met October 14, 2013. Kraig Windschitl was excused; all other members present, including (*ex officio*) Dean Edman.

Final details regarding Stillwater Organ Day were discussed. The masterclass of Rachel Laurin has attracted only two players to date (St. Olaf students). The committee will work to recruit players from our membership and from studios of organ teachers.

The May 9, 2014 Member Concert was discussed and criteria to qualify for consideration to play on this event were revised and sent to the TCAGO website and distributed by e-mail blast. The committee will limit repertoire to literature commissioned by Marilyn Mason (available in several volumes of published music), as well as a few selected "anniversary" composers. The goal is to showcase the best players in our chapter as well as to present engaging repertoire.

The June social event is as yet unplanned, but a potluck/picnic is a leading possibility.

Next season's opening event was discussed, with the possibility of an extravaganza at the St. Paul Cathedral.

B. *Membership*: Jane Nienaber, Registrar, reported that an additional 14 members have joined since last month's report for a total of 330 active members. The breakdown is:

161 Regular Members	21 Chapter Friends
97 Special	23 Dual Chapter
8 Students	5 Voting Partner
1 Dual Student	4 Non-voting complimentary
10 Students under 21	

There are 27 lapsed members. New members since last report are Mary Jo Gothmann (Regular) and Isaac Drewes (Non-voting Student). The new members' names for the September report were inadvertently omitted and are included here: Laura Hedstrom (Voting Student), Matthew Jakubisin (Voting Student), Joseph Trucano (Non-voting Dual), Jennifer Bose (Voting Student), Scott Turkington (Non-voting Dual), and Rachel Lee (Voting Student).

C. *Publicity*: David Jenkins reported that the committee met on September 24, 2013. The committee is working closely with the Education and Program Committees to promote Pipe Organ Discovery Day and the chapter events, respectively.

D. *Hospitality*: Carsten Slostad reported that the Hospitality Committee will serve refreshments at the November event.

V. Pipe Organ Encounter Technical – Seattle Summary

Dean Edman shared the report submitted by David H. Johnson, the St. Olaf College student who received scholarship funds from the Special Projects Committee (see the May 2013 Minutes, item VII.B.), describing his experience during the week-long program about organ building. He recounted a week of organ shop visits and demonstrations, and of hearing and playing various instruments in the Seattle/Tacoma area. He expressed his thanks and appreciation for the Chapter's support.

VI. New Business

A. Nominating Committee Board Members: Two Board members may serve on the Nominating Committee for the Executive Board Election; however, the Chair must be a non-Board member and not running for election. The committee will be asked to write up a description of the duties for the various positions to be filled.

B. Schedule for TCAGO Committees: Dean Edman shared a monthly schedule for committees to follow for a well-organized chapter:

July: Officer's Report due to National on July 1; no Board meeting; no *Pipenotes*

August: no *Pipenotes*

September: Opening Event

December: no Board meeting; combined *Pipenotes* for Dec./Jan.

January: choose Chair for Nominating Committee

February: Nominating Committee contacts people for Board officers and members; compile biographies/goals; Winter Tune-up; PODD

March: Bach's Birthday Bash; Student Competition and Recital; churches that want to co-sponsor an event with TCAGO for upcoming program year should submit request by March 15

April: elections; membership renewal discussion

May: election returns counted; TCAGO budget; Program Committee submits program line-up for upcoming program year; membership renewal plan announced; Member Recital

June: Election results announced; Board meeting potluck with outgoing and incoming Board members; Summer Get-togethers; National Convention during even years/Regional Conventions during odd years

Jane Nienaber moved to adjourn and Carsten Slostad seconded at 7:36 PM.

The next meeting will be held on November 25 at 6:30 PM at Centennial United Methodist Church in Roseville.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirsten Falc Uhlenberg, Secretary