

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting
Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
August 27, 2018

Present: Jacob Benda, Kyle Black, Joyce Brown, David Jenkins, David Geslin, Jessica Park, Phillip Radtke, Joseph Trucano

Absent: Tom Ferry, David Fienen, Robert Glover, Christopher Stroh

Also present: John Setterlund

Call to Order by Dean David Jenkins at 6:30 PM, St. Paul Seminary

Dean David Jenkins welcomed new and old members to the board. Short introductions were shared.

Chaplain Setterlund shared a reading from a C.S. Lewis regarding church music, and musicians work.

The agenda for the meeting was approved.

The Minutes of the May 21, 2018 Board Meeting were approved as written.

Report: Sub-Dean Jacob Benda

-The first event for the Fall 2018 will be the Sept. 23 program celebrating Michael Barone's "Pipedreams". It will be at Wooddale Church, Eden Prairie followed by a dinner at the Redstone American Grill, with the guest speaker Haig Mardirosian. Posters and advertising cards were distributed.

-The October 23, 2018 program at Northrop Auditorium at the University of Minnesota will feature the new restored Aeolian Skinner Organ. AGO members can get discounted tickets with the promo code 1819 Pipedreams. There will be an open bench time 2:00 – 4:00 on October 13.

Report: Secretary Joyce Brown

-Thank you notes were read from two participants in the POE.

-A reminder was mentioned that the Dean with the Board's approval will appoint the chair of the Nominating committee and the committee members by November.

Report: Treasurer David Geslin

The finances were reviewed. There were no losses from POE. The financial statement is healthy.

Motion: Diana Lucker moved that we accept the budget report.

Second: Phil Radtke

Motion carried

Report: Dean David Jenkins

-David expressed his appreciation of the TCAGO and is and excited about the program for this year.

-The POE was a great success with 20 students participating coming from places as far as Texas and Baltimore. They represented many denominations and cultures. The POE requires a lot of work with administration, budget, and publicity. For the future it was mentioned of possibly having "Pipe Organ Advanced "program.

-The Kansas City convention and OHS conventions were discussed.

-The Hospitality Chair Bjorn Gustafson is stepping down. Jennifer Anderson will be managing the opening event.

-The Registrar position and duties were discussed. Presently National and local AGO uses different data computer programs and timelines making the registrar job complex. For now, local will continue to use Wild Apricot while National works out the issues with its current program. Jane Nienaber has faithfully been the registrar and is looking to step down in the future. She will train and help the next person.

Action Item: Put notes in Pipenotes regarding need for Hospitality and Registrar positions

Old Business:

-Diana Lee Lucker reported on the Organ Study Scholarship. It is noted that the scholarships are based on need and goals, not on performance. The information sheets will go on the website and email blast.

New Business:

-There has been a request from Karen Black to host the Regional Convention in 2021, because another city was not able to host. It was mentioned that our area has great resources and an active organ scene. It was noted that this is an especially short time frame to organize and put this together. It was also felt that this is a great opportunity for our chapter.

Motion: Dianna Lee Lucker made the motion to accept this offer to host the Regional convention in 2021.

Second: Jacob Benda

Motion carried

Action Item: Jacob and David will continue identify volunteers for our chapter beginning with our opening event on Sept.23.

-A short discussion was had regarding the privacy of members contact information. This may or may not be an issue with our members. Joe Trucano will report on this later.

The next meeting will be September 24. 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15

Joyce Brown, secretary