Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists November 27, 2017

Present: Linda Armstrong, Kyle Black, Dee Ann Crossley, Tom Ferry , David Fienen, David Geslin, Margaret Gohman, David Jenkins, Diana Lee Lucker, Paul Westermeyer Absent: Andrew Birling, Rob Glover, Chris Stroh

Also present: John Setterlund

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

Chaplain Setterlund opened the meeting with thoughts on St. Cecilia and a prayer in the words of Isaac Watts.

The minutes of the October 23, 2017 Board meeting were approved as printed.

Report: Sub-Dean David Jenkins

The publicity is out for Wilma Jensen's seminar on February 3 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Mahtomedi.

David updated us on the upcoming POE. He and Cathy Rodland are planning the event in consultation with National AGO. There is room for 20 students, with scholarships available. \$2,000 from APOBA is guaranteed, with additional funds available from National. We looked over a draft of the brochure.

Report: Secretary, Dee Ann Crossley

Planning is underway for the October 2018 concert at Northrop Auditorium, University of Minnesota, which will feature the newly installed and renovated pipe organ. The Minnesota Orchestra, with Director Osmo Vänskä, will perform the premiere of an organ concerto by composer John Harbison.

Report: Treasurer David Geslin

Year-to-Date finances were reviewed. The new format was noted.

Note: "Barone Scholarship" should be listed as "Pipedreams Scholarship."

Esther Schepper, a client of David Geslin, designates TCAGO as the recipient of her Thrivent Choice Dollars. Using that as an example, a discussion followed on how we could fund our projects through another agency.

In regards to selling *A Guide for Organ Committees*, it was noted that non-profits are not taxed on sales totaling less than \$2,300.

57 TCAGO members have not yet renewed membership. The Board expressed thanks to David for his ongoing excellent work.

Report: Dean Paul Westermeyer

Mary Newton, Coordinator of the Student Scholarship Competition, will attend the January Board meeting.

Joshua Lindgren was appointed, with Board approval, as the new Archivist. Discussion followed on how to organize, locate and transfer all past archival material to Joshua, and how to ensure Joshua receives new material, specifically Board minutes, Pipenotes and programs from chapter events. Dean Westermeyer will first meet with Jerry Bonstrom, retiring archivist, and Joshua to clarify the process and responsibilities.

Dean Westermeyer will address the topic of TCAGO Archives in his next Pipenotes column.

Old Business:

Term Limits – Paul will check with National AGO on present rules.

Operating Procedures (Tom Ferry) and the New Orgelbüchlein (Andrew Birling) are postponed until the January meeting.

Diana Lee Lucker reported on the *Organ Study Scholarship*, as initially proposed by Andrew Birling. There was much discussion on the criteria for the scholarship and how to promote it. Andrew Birling will be asked to join the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Dee Ann Crossley, secretary