

**Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting
Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
September 28, 2015**

Present: Jennifer Anderson, Pam Carlson, Dee Ann Crossley, Margaret Gohman,
Jon Kietzer, Jungjoo Park, Paul Westermeyer

Also present: Michael Edwins

Absent: Linda Armstrong, Andrew Birling, Sarah Garner, David Geslin,
James Hild, David Jenkins

We first gathered in the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church sanctuary to look at the new J. F. Nordlie organ that is presently being installed. Mount Calvary organist Pam Carlson spoke about the organ and its designing and installation process. Jacob Benda, TCAGO member, will play the dedication recital on February 27, 2016.

Call to Order by Dean Paul Westermeyer 7:10 PM, Mount Calvary Lutheran Church

Chaplain Michael Edwins opened with the Moravian readings for the day and prayer.

The minutes of the August 31, 2015 Board meeting were approved as printed.

We talked about the success of the chapter's opening meeting on September 18th. Kudos to program chair David Jenkins and his committee for a joyful evening with inspirational playing by Alcee Chriss, and camaraderie and good will at the lovely dinner and installation of officers.

It was suggested that we offer our collection of used music more frequently, and find ways to distribute it to students.

Chaplain Edwins suggested an improvement of the installation language; i.e. less didactic and more liturgical.

Whether to/how to inform members of colleagues' illnesses was discussed. A respect for privacy will always prevail.

Program Committee: Dean Westermeyer reported on the program for the organ crawl in the St Paul Summit Ave area, our October 24th meeting. He then gave revisions of the TCAGO Calendar Template: move Winter Tune-up from February to January, add Pipe Organ Discovery Day to February, add master class to April.

Treasurer's report:

We acknowledged receipt of the finances to date as well as the letter of appreciation from MPR for TCAGO's contribution of \$5,000 in support of *Pipedreams*.

A discussion followed about presenting a narrative version of the treasurer's report to members, particularly related to programs, scholarships and major contributions. It was suggested that Dean Westermeyer could include this in his column in future *Pipenotes*.

***Pipenotes* and Stewardship:**

Of the 84 people who receive hard copy *Pipenotes* in the mail, 20 have responded . A number of those will switch to receiving *Pipenotes* on line. A lengthy discussion followed as to how best to encourage members to commit to online *Pipenotes*. Dean Westermeyer will address the topic in his *Pipenotes* column.

New Business:

Chaplain Edwins presented the major events of the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Schlicker organ at Mt. Olive, being held October 2nd, 28th and 29th, 2016. He will send the information to the program committee.

2015-16 TCAGO Executive Board Meetings:

All Mondays at St Paul Seminary, 6:30 pm.

October 26
November 23
January 25
February 22
April 25
May 23

June: potluck and welcome of new board members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted,
Dee Ann Crossley, secretary