

**Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting
Twin Cities Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
September 26, 2016**

Present: Jennifer Anderson, Linda Armstrong, Pam Carlson, Dee Ann Crossley, David Fienen, Margaret Gohman, David Jenkins, Jon Kietzer, Nancy Lancaster, Paul Westermeyer

Also present: Michael Edwins

Absent: Kalle Akkerman, Andrew Birling, David Geslin

Call to Order by Dean Paul Westermeyer at 6:30 PM, St. Paul Seminary. Chaplain Michel Edwins opened with the Moravian readings for the day.

The minutes of the August 22, 2016 Board meeting were approved as printed.

Membership and review of Registrar's report:

The Board discussed how to address/encourage (overdue) renewal of AGO membership, particularly related to the chapter's long-term members.

Continued communication with Registrar Jane Nienaber will be overseen by Dean Westermeyer.

Re: AGO Annual Fund

Dean Westermeyer read a recent letter from National AGO detailing the history of TCAGO Annual Fund donations and requesting a return to our past levels of giving. Dean Westermeyer will communicate with Treasurer David Geslin about how to proceed with future TCAGO Annual Fund donations.

Re: *Pipenotes* printed version

The Board addressed the questions raised by *Pipenotes* editor Merritt Nequette re: 1) including (new) ads in the printed version of *Pipenotes* which would increase the number of pages and postage cost; and 2) adjusting *Pipenotes* content to maintain a cost-sensitive number of pages. The Board agreed that *Pipenotes* printed version's content and format should remain the same and all paid ads should be included, regardless of postage cost.

Dean Westermeyer will communicate with Merritt about the Board's decision.

Program Committee report: Sub-Dean David Jenkins

The opening service and dinner on September 25th at House of Prayer Lutheran Church, Richfield, was an unqualified success. The offering of just over \$900 will be used to defray the transportation costs of the Gustavus Adolphus Chapel Choir, paid by TCAGO.

Jennifer Anderson and Jacob Benda are the program committee's new members.

A brief review of upcoming TCAGO programs was presented.

Re: membership paid by TCAGO

Dean Westermeyer will communicate with Registrar Jane Nienaber re: a confusion about Kathryn Moen's TCAGO membership, which the Board is paying.

Dean Westermeyer called our attention to a letter from TCAGO member Mark Rodriguez volunteering to help the chapter in any way.

Dean Westermeyer informed us about the current project of the Church Music Institute which presents credited courses addressing music in worship through mentor and ecumenical group programs. Further information is available in the July 2016 TAO.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Ann Crossley, secretary