

# **Columbus AGO Executive Committee Meeting**

November 6, 2017

All Saints Lutheran Church

The meeting was called to order by Dean Tom Gerke at 7:00pm. Members present: Kathie Bracy, Ron Kenreich, Jan Sprecher, Brian Johnson, Clark Becker, Jennifer Kristler (with 11 week Eva), Tyler Robertson, Al Adcock, Jason Keefer, Bob Wisniewski, Luke Tegtmeier, and Tom Gerke. Excused: Chris Warner.

The minutes from the September 25 meeting were accepted.

## **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was approved.

## **Audit Update**

Laura Silva and Kathie Bracy audited the 2015-2016 records, and found all in order. Mark Meuser and John Schuder audited the 2016-2017 records, and found all in order.

Both audit reports were accepted.

## **Anniversary Committee updates**

A full-page ad will be placed in The American Organist in February listing the events scheduled.

## **Giving Options for Members**

Mark Meuser is working on having our web designer add a button to allow members to easily donate money to the chapter.

## **Facebook Updating**

Tyler Robertson was thanked for his work updating our Facebook page. Members of the Board were reminded again to "Like" posts on our page so that they will appear more often on others' Feed.

## **Upcoming events**

Luke will send a reminder email to the membership one week before each event.

Festival Flourish – Saturday, February 24, 9am-4:30pm at Covenant Presbyterian in Upper Arlington, featuring several of our own members doing workshops on various topics.

Raul Prieto Ramirez – recital at St. Paul the Apostle Roman Catholic, Westerville, 7:30pm on Friday, April 6. Stan Osborn was asked to provide a camera and screen set-up; he has declined to do so because his equipment is out-of-date and the distance is too great. Dean Gerke is working with Dave Keller to provide a camera and screen arrangement instead. The cost for two cameras and three screens is \$3790 or \$1805, depending on the quality of video projection. One camera being projected onto three

screens would cost \$1220. Some people expressed the thought that one screen would be adequate; others wanted to keep three screens to be as welcoming as possible. The board voted to accept Dean Gerke's generous offer to pay for the \$1220 level of projection. Jan Sprecher, Brian Johnson, and Kathy Bracy will coordinate the reception afterwards.

Spring Social – May 11 at Brennan Loft in London with Clark Wilson and silent movie. Theme: "A 1918 Night Out"

### **Chris Warner resignation**

Chris has had a schedule change that does not allow him to attend meetings any longer. The Board accepted his resignation, and thanked him for his service. As a replacement, Dennis Krill and Bill Antoniak each were runners-up for the election for Chris' class of 2018. Dennis received one more vote than Bill. Dean Gerke will ask Dennis to fill the vacancy; if Dennis declines, Dean Gerke will ask Bill.

### **Free student memberships for High School and College students?**

Brian Johnson suggested that we offer scholarship money to students (high school & college) to pay for their AGO membership. Treasurer Adcock pointed out that we have for many years had \$250 in a fund meant to be used for exactly this purpose, but have never used. Brian will write a notice for the Guilder to bring this item to the attention of the various organ teachers in the chapter.

### **Communications – Mail Chimp update**

Luke has created four lists to upload to Mail Chimp as part of the switch from Constant Contact to Mail Chimp.

1. Great Lakes Chapter Deans
2. Canceled members, or Friends of the Chapter
3. Members ("Paid" or "Invoiced-not-paid")
4. Executive Board

This should allow us to send information to various groups of people. E.g. Requests for items to be published in the newsletter could be sent only to Members. The Guilder newsletter could be sent to Members, Cancelled members, and Great Lakes Deans. Updates for upcoming events could be sent to Canceled members and Members.

### **Letter to the Columbus Symphony re: Morton Theatre Organ**

The letter has been sent; no response has been seen.

### **Contributing toward a concert for children given by Cameron Carpenter in Zanesville**

The check for \$500 has been sent; we have been promised communication about how the event proceeds.

### **Meal for Homeless at Broad Street UMC**

Brian Johnson will be following up on this.

**Photo and article for TAO chapter events**

Luke submitted the write-up for the Todd Wilson event; the picture submitted was not of adequate quality to publish, but the text will be forthcoming.

Text for the Jeremy Bankson event will be written by Brian Johnson.

**Next meeting**

Monday, January 15, 2018 at 7pm – All Saints Lutheran.