

## **COLUMBUS AGO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

Monday, June 25, 2018  
All Saints Lutheran Church

**Present:** Al Adcock, Tom Gerke, Jan Sprecher, Kathie Bracy, Brian Johnson, Dennis Crill, Jason Keefer, Bob Wisniewski, Rebecca Abbott, Mari Kay Dono, Jennifer Kristler, Ron Kenreich, Clark Becker, and Anthony Fabro

**Absent:** Tyler Robertson

Meeting called to order at 7:10 by Tom Gerke.

Anthony Fabro spoke briefly about the website – he encouraged those wishing to post to the website to be in touch with him for an appropriate login.

Rebecca Abbott spoke briefly about the Guilder newsletter. She encouraged us to follow the model for submitting concert events. She also expressed a concern that members are sometimes frustrated that concerts posted on the website do not automatically appear in the Guilder.

### **Minutes**

- May 7 Minutes were approved.
- Minutes of the May 11 Annual Members' Meeting were approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Al Adcock provided a brief overview of the Chapter's finances. The Treasurer's report and budget from 2018 were approved.
- Earlier errors in column C of line 17, 18, and 19 from the 2018-19 budget have been corrected. The budget was approved.
- Al moved to continue paying for Anthony Fabro's membership fee in appreciation for his services as Webmaster. The motion passed.

### **Items for Discussion**

#### **Facebook updating**

Luke encouraged members to "like" posts on the Facebook page as they happen, which will influence the Facebook algorithms in our favor.

Luke also referenced the "Young Organists" gathering happening in coordination with the July 8 First Congregational concert.

#### **Pictures and Articles of events for TAO**

Dean Gerke will send pictures of the May closing meeting to Luke for submission to TAO.

#### **Mershon Organ update**

Anthony spoke about this project. He shared that the Wexner Foundation (owner of the building) owns the organ; this complicates matters considerably.

#### **Report on May 11 Spring Dinner & Social**

The May 11 event was very well received. Looking ahead, some interest was expressed in repeating a previous year's closing banquet, involving a gameshow format wherein improvisers played in different styles.

## **Advertising in Directory**

Current prices are: Half Page- \$50; Full Page - \$75; Inside front and back covers - \$150; Back cover - \$200. After brief discussion, it was moved that the fee for ½ and full-page ads be increased by \$5. The motion carried.

We also discussed how to determine who wins the prized back page for advertising. It was moved that Stan ask full-page advertisers if they are interested in buying the back page or inside covers. Those interested in the back page ad will be entered into a drawing, and a winner will be chosen at random. The remaining parties interested in the inside covers will also be chosen at random. The drawing for winners will be overseen by Dean Gerke and/or Rebecca Abbott's daughter. Updated Prices are Half Page- \$55; Full Page - \$80; Inside front and back covers - \$175; Back cover - \$250

## **Sub List update**

Chad Baker reminded us of several things via email:

1. The AGO is no longer legally allowed to suggest any sort of fee for organists.
2. "Organist Position Available" postings are ONLY to be posted on the website – not listed in the newsletter or emailed to the membership.

## **Future events for 2018-19 year**

- Monday, September 17, 6:30 service/convocation, followed by community meal and music sharing. All Saints Lutheran in Worthington (Tom Gerke). Cost will be very minimal.
- October 19 – Organ and Choir at St. Joseph Cathedral (100<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee)
- November 18 – Organ and Instruments at First Congregational with James David Christie (100<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee)
- January 20, 3pm - Student Recital at St. Luke Lutheran in Gahanna – (Jennifer Kristler)
- February 16 – February Fanfare at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Upper Arlington – to focus on practical needs for church musicians; especially those transferring from piano to organ. (Jason Keefer and committee)
  - It was moved to charge members \$20 for lunch, and non-members \$45 for attending the event (including lunch). The motion was approved.
- March 22 – Member recital celebrating Bach's Birthday (which is actually March 21). In a series of emails after the meeting, the board agreed to a 7pm member recital at First Congregational Church. (Tyler Robertson)
- May 3 - Social/Dinner at Holy Trinity in Upper Arlington. Entertainment to be provided by Opera Columbus (Whole committee)
- ~~April~~ May 11 (Saturday) - Organ Crawl – exploring local instruments (Luke Tegtmeier)
  - After an informal discussion, it was decided to keep the Spring Social on a Friday night, separate from the Organ Crawl on a Saturday. Luke was also cautioned about scheduling visits to Catholic churches on Saturdays, which can be busy with anticipated Masses and weddings.
  - Dates being investigated include May 11 (Mother's Day), January 12, and March 9.
  - Instruments being considered include St. Mary's Catholic in German Village, St. Agatha Catholic in Upper Arlington, Trinity Seminary in Bexley, and King Avenue Methodist near OSU. Luke welcomes suggestions for other instruments to be considered.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, August 20, 6:15 dinner/7pm meeting, at All Saints Lutheran.