## AGO Executive Committee Meeting Minutes August 26, 2013 St. Paul Catholic Church, Westerville

Present: Erin Petrella, Al Adcock, Carol Neff, Josh Brodbeck, John Schuder, Nancy Renneckar,

Jared Bennett, Joel Mathias, Tom Gerke, John Bryan, Mark Stuart

Absent: Wanda Neuforfer-Pack, Brett Greene

The minutes of the July 29<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

## Treasurer's Report – Al Adcock

- There continues to be challenges with how to report bank interest that has been earned but not yet paid.
- **n** Many memberships continue to arrive, thanks to proactive follow-up calls from the executive committee.
- ñ Income from directory ads continues to arrive, but are projected to be slightly below budget (itself being an arbitrary value). Further income this year is unlikely to be substantial.
- $\tilde{\mathbf{n}}$  A scholarship donation was made along with membership renewals.
- $\tilde{\mathbf{n}}$  The report was approved as presented.

## Dean's Comments - John Schuder

- **ñ** Thank you to EC members who made personal calls during the membership renewal drive.
- **ñ** Welcome to Tom Gerke, who is filling a vacancy for one year.
- ñ The annual annual fund request letter was received from AGO National. For at least two years, we have not made any donation, but previously we have sent in \$500. National currently is allocated \$58 per full member; which has not changed in a couple of years. In recognition of the cost cutting and efficiencies implemented by the National Offices, a \$500 donation was approved.
- To whom will official Chapter Notes be sent? The policy will be to send notes to family of deceased member. Other case-by-case circumstances may be sent to John for review. Mark will send approved notes, using verbiage suggested by John.
- installation of officers: Can elections be advanced sufficiently so that installation can be held at the social? The nominating committee also need to be moved up. Mark will find the dates and set reminders. There is also a desire to move up programming so that events can be announced at the end of season. John may appoint committee to look ahead and get ideas on programming, especially with respect to major artists. (See current dates at end of this document...discuss desired dates at next meeting)
- A Young Organists' scholarship fund was established. Need to set criteria for award/consideration. Similar to expenditures for POEs in the past, but designated and better funded. This fund could support lessons for serious students up to college age (23, similar to RYOC). a) Demonstrate serious interest in organ. 2) Demonstrate certain ability. The student recital was good to encourage and support students. It should be

continued every year, benefiting the young organist scholarship fund. Could it be used toward lessons for organ majors? (Probably not enough money, but subsidies could be granted). Action item: Need to establish and communicate disbursement criteria and desired endowment level. Publicly thank donors. Another idea would be to establish a memorial fund to underwrite chapter programming (for example). Action item: Ask the Dayton chapter for examples of implementation.

## **Programming**

Richard Elliott, Sep 13 (Josh Brodbeck): Everything is ready. Members will hand out programs. There will be an AGO table with directories and information (Erin). Jared will pass out programs. Pedals Pipes & Pizza programs will be passed on out with program. Capital is sponsoring printing. There will be ads on WOSU. Concert publicity was sent to regional LDS churches. Working on Dispatch article.

Pedals, Pipes & Pizza, Oct 26 (John Bryan). A flier was reviewed and minor revisions proposed. A very comprehensive draft agenda and program were reviewed. A registration deadline of October 18 was set. Carol Neff volunteered to run the registration table and find a helper. She will use existing nametags. Many assignments of event logistics were made.

Proposal: make PP&P an annual event on a chair/co-chair basis. Each co-chair hosts the next year at a new location.

Member Recital, Jan 20 (Mark Stuart, John Schuder). Mark was asked to inquire about tuning date and likely intonation at St. John on January 20.

Future programming comment (John Schuder): Need to consider balance of more mature/advanced content for established organists, while maintaining outreach to your organists.

The next meeting will be Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, location TBD. Ongoing business for next meeting:

- 1. Establish and communicate disbursement criteria and desired endowment level.
- 2. Ask the Dayton chapter for examples of implementation of scholarship programs.
- 3. Review chapter business event dates

The meeting was adjourned.

February Begin a discussion of the following year's programs

February 25-April 3 Chapter Competition to be held

March 1 Slate of nominees for chapter elections delivered to the Executive Committee,

recorded in the minutes and announced to the chapter membership in writing

March 1 Scholarship applications are made available in the March/April issue of the Guilder

and online

April 1 Co-sponsorship applications made available in the April Guilder

April 1 Election ballots sent out

April 30 Deadline for receipt of scholarship applications

May 31 Chapter elections concluded, per National (our date may be earlier)

June 15 Deadline for receipt of co-sponsorship applications

September Scholarship winner(s) and certificate recipients recognized at the September

meeting

Installation of officers as early as possible in the fall

October 22 Notify National of intent to hold a competition

December 31 Executive Committee appoints a chapter nominating committee