

## NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING SPECIAL MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2014-7:00PM CDT

### CALL TO ORDER

President William Czelusniak called to order a special meeting of the National Council of the Organ Historical Society on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 7:00pm CDT.

### ROLL CALL

(P-PRESENT, D-DELAYED)

William Czelusniak (President) P  
Daniel Clayton (Vice-President) P  
Jeff Weiler (Secretary) P  
Allen Langord (Treasurer) P  
Will Bridegam (Councilor for Finance and Development) D  
Jeffrey Dexter (Councilor for Organizational Concerns) P  
James Cook (Councilor for Education) P  
Christopher Marks (Councilor for Archives) P  
Daniel Schwandt (Councilor for Conventions) P  
James Weaver (Executive Director) P

A quorum of Council members was established.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chris Marks moved that the agenda be adopted as presented. Motion Carried.

### COUNCILOR APPOINTMENT

Chris Marks moved that Kimberly A. Marshall, of Phoenix, Arizona, be appointed to the vacant seat of National Councilor (with purview of Publications) effective immediately, through the end of the term of the vacant position, at the close of the annual meeting in June 2017. Jim Cook called the question. Motion Carried.

Will Bridegam joined the meeting at 7:12pm CDT

### APPOINTMENT OF AN AD HOC COMMITTEE

Jeffrey Dexter moved that the National Council appoint an ad hoc committee consisting of Christopher Anderson and Kimberly Marshall, with two other members to be chosen by those seated and with the recommendation that Dr. Anderson serve as the chair, charged to prepare both a mission statement and a strategic plan for the Publications department of the OHS. Jeff Weiler called the question. Motion Carried.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jim Cook moved that minutes for the teleconference meetings held May 6 and 12 be approved. Motion carried.

### REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS

Jim Weaver and Will Bridegam discussed the notes circulated about the Publications summit meeting held at Washington, DC, on Monday, May 19, 2014; Jim Weaver reported on the status of the OHS convention in Syracuse, currently with 214 full registrations; and Bill Czelusniak and Jim Weaver reported on preparations for the AGO national convention in Boston.

### ADJOURNMENT

President Czelusniak adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm CDT.

/s/ Jeff Weiler, Secretary

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2014 Cornell University, Ithaca, New York

**CALL TO ORDER:** President William F. Czelusniak called the 59th annual meeting of the Organ Historical Society to order at 1:48pm, with Jeff Weiler recording. After welcoming the assembly, the officers, directors, and staff members of the organization were introduced. Also introduced was E. Marie Wilson, a Certified Professional Parliamentarian-Teacher and Professional Registered Parliamentarian. Ms. Wilson had been retained to serve as parliamentarian for the meeting.

**BYLAWS:** President Czelusniak reported that the proposed revision to the OHS bylaws had passed with 427 votes cast in the affirmative and 9 votes in the negative.

**REGISTRATION REPORT:** Ryan Boyle reported that 296 members were registered at the annual meeting site and moved that the roll of members registered on site and submitted be the official roll of the voting members of the meeting. The motion was approved and a quorum was established.

Special Rules of Order for the meeting adopted by a two-thirds vote.

The agenda was adopted.

The timekeeper appointed was Carol Britt.

The minutes of the 2013 annual meeting were approved.

A Minutes Approval Committee was appointed consisting of Robert Barney from Massachusetts, Carol Britt from Louisiana, and Cherie Wescott from Oklahoma.

### OFFICERS REPORTS:

President Czelusniak referenced his written report without further comment.

A moment of silence was observed for deceased members of the past year: Rachel Archibald, James Leslie Boeringer, Ronald C. Brugger, Ralph Edwards, James Arnold Fenimore, Rubin Frels, Frederick E. Gillis, William Goodwin, Frank S. Graboski, Harry Gudmundson, Ronald E. Johnson, Piers Jones, Kurt E. Larson, Richard A. Livingston, Robert S. Lord, Lee Malone, Gerald Pels, Douglas L. Rafter, Dan L. Rains, Michael A. Rowe, John A. Schantz, Robert L. Town, John Wessel, Joseph A. Wysocki, Hellmuth Wolff, and Raymond Zittman. In addition, Mary Wallmann was remembered.

Vice-President Dan Clayton referenced his written report without further comment;

Treasurer Allen Langord referenced his written report without further comment;

Executive Director James Weaver referenced his written report without further comment.

### DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND RECOGNITION OF COMMITTEE HEADS:

The following reports were distributed and filed:

- Archives — Christopher Marks
- Conventions — Daniel Schwandt
- Education — James Cook
- Finance and Development — Willis Bridegam
- Organizational Concerns — Jeffrey Dexter
- Research and Publications — Kimberly Marshall

The Nominating Committee met and offered the following candidates for the five vacant director positions: Scott Cantrell, Craig Cramer, William F. Czelusniak, Faythe Freese, and Kola Owolabi.

### PRESIDENT'S DISTINGUISHED

**SERVICE AWARD:** The President's Distinguished Service Award was presented to James H. Cook in recognition of his many contributions to the Society, especially with regard to the Organ Database.

### UPCOMING CONVENTIONS:

Presentations on upcoming conventions were made.

- 2015 Massachusetts Berkshire Region and Pioneer Valley: Roy Perdue, presenter.
- 2016 Philadelphia: L. Curt Mangel and J. Anthony Nichols, presenters.

The chair of the 2014 convention committee, Ryan Boyle, was thanked and his committee was recognized including Will Headlee, Greg Keefe, Jean Radice, and Susan Stinson.

### COUNTER-CARPETING COMMITTEE:

It was moved by Paul Maine that the Society set up a counter-carpeting committee to inform churches and the public about the killing effect on music of church carpeting especially as tragically demonstrated by today's example. The question was called and the motion was defeated.

**CONVENTION ATLAS:** It was moved by Jacob Creel that, due to the historic value of documenting the history of convention organs, OHS should indefinitely require an atlas to be produced for each annual convention. If adopted, such an atlas is not to be denied unless agreed by a vote of OHS members. Robert Barney moved an amendment by striking the word "require" and replace it with the word "consider" and striking the final sentence. The motion as amended was passed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:09pm.

/s/ Jeff Weiler, Secretary

We, the undersigned members, do hereby approve these minutes as an accurate record of the proceedings as of September 4, 2014.

/s/ Robert Barney

/s/ Carol Britt

/s/ Cherie Wescott