

Organ Historical Society Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, 15 February 2022 8:00 PM EST

AGENDA

Michael Quimby called the meeting to order at 8:10 pm.

Roll Call: Michael Quimby, Chair; Gregory Crowell; Nick Daniels; Michael Diorio; Patrick Summers; Cherie Wescott; Ed McCall, CEO; Marcia Sommers, scribe; Lynn Dobson and Carole Terry were unable to attend.

1. Review and Approval of Minutes from meeting on January 25
Minutes approved as read

- Treasurer's Report – Patrick Summers - 'The Patrick Report'
 - Patrick gave everyone a guide to where to find information about our funds, Restricted and Non-Restricted
 - Explained how items are listed and recorded
 - We closed out the Stoneleigh fund, which was being used for the Recoverable Grant, and moved the funds to our General Reserve Account
 - Detail for revenue is on p. 8; \$460,000 from Wyncote Foundation, and \$50,000 from David Haas
 - Ed pointed out that we had planned for about - \$8,000 in 2021, but we ended the year + \$1,900.00

Questions? Ed will send this information to our preparers at CLA.

- Patrick and Ed are developing plans for an OHS Personnel Committee and will report back at next month's meeting.

2. CEO Report

- Haas family retreat at Stoneleigh this coming weekend
 - Janeen is working on a display of OHS archives
- OHS will receive a restored English barrel organ from Fred Haas, for display at Stoneleigh
- JW Prize is up and running; ads in Diapason, TAO and RCCO journal this month
- Ed, Marcia and Annette are interviewing for Store Manager position, as Richard Spotts has accepted full-time work with the Emery Organ Co.
- Ed has been in conversation with DeBergerac as we prepare to apply for a Pew Foundation Grant to pay for our production of the documentary on restoring the 1840's Hilbus organ
- Met with Wyncote director and David Haas on developing underwriting
- Columbus Registration will open March 1. Ed will be going out there in March

Pipe Organ Database be increased to accept all pipe organs built or installed anywhere worldwide.

Moved by Cherie Wescott; seconded by Michael Diorio

Paul Marchesano and committee are working diligently on this program.

Committee includes Brad Engelland, Chad Borsma, Jeff, Scofield, Stephen Hall, Thurlow Weed,
John Roper,
Motion carried.

That the Organ Historical Society obtain and host the database and all data previously collected in the International Organ Fund site.

Motion carried.

- Report on refreshing the Biggs Scholars program:

Motion: That the OHS adopt the OHS Scholars Program & Career development program as described in the attached documents.

Moved by Gregory Crowell; seconded by CW Wescott.

Discussion: Ed began with the approach of return on investment, which has been dismal in this program. Fewer than 1/3 of the Scholars are still OHS Members; we have a higher retention rate with smaller classes. To use our Members donations more effectively, we need a more robust program. Present document is a draft; if we approve this, the Committee will need to create the final document for us.

-Cherie asked what happened to the Scholars; there many answers to that

-Greg suggested this is a way to invite them in and help them become involved in the profession
What can OHS do that is unique and captivating?

Motion failed.

Greg Crowell moved that the OHS Board empower the current E. Power Biggs Scholars committee to draft a revision of the Scholars program for future Board approval.

Seconded by M. Diorio.

Motion carried.

Nick moved that the program name be changed to the OHS Scholars Program.

Seconded by CW Wescott.

Ed began by saying he understands the desires to retain the name, but the program is fundamentally changing, and a name change could be timely. The long-term goals are different than the current program. By retaining the E. Power Biggs Alumni Recital, it allows OHS to retain the name and the legacy within the significant change taking place.

-Michael Diorio indicated that he is not a fan of changing the name

-Michael Quimby suggested the OHS Biggs Scholars Program

-Greg suggested by keeping this name, it keeps his legacy alive, honoring him and keeping that story alive. We can acknowledge that the program has a new focus as we work to make it more robust.

Motion failed.

Nick moved that the program name be changed to **The OHS Biggs Scholars Program**

Seconded by Michael Diorio.

Motion carried.

Ed will gather the committee and get them working on these guidelines, most likely for the April meeting.

3. New Business

Working to recruit a new Investment Committee Chairperson

4. Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 15, 8:00 pm EDT

5. Adjourned by Michael Quimby at 8:58 PM