

THE ORGAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Minutes of the National Council Meeting
Saturday, May 1, 2010
By telephone

Call to Order: This special telephone meeting of the National Council of the Organ Historical Society was called to order by President Scot Huntington on Saturday, May 1, 2010, at 10:08 a.m. EDT. A quorum of Council members was established. Present: Scot Huntington (President), James Cook (Councilor for Education), Allen Kinzey (Councilor for Conventions), Christopher Marks (Councilor for Archives), Dana Robinson (Councilor for Organizational Concerns), Randall Wagner (Councilor for Finance and Development), Allen Langord (Treasurer), and Daniel N. Colburn, II (Executive Director).

Moved: Robinson; second: Wagner; to substitute “March 31” for “September 30” in the motion passed at the regular meeting on February 16, 2010, accepting the resignation of James Stark as Treasurer. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved: Wagner; second: Cook, to co-sponsor the Hook Holiday presented by the St. John’s Organ Society, Bangor, ME, in October 2010. Motion passed unanimously. Discussion included observance of the fact that the OHS would be adding its name to the event with no financial responsibility on its part, simply to lend strength to advertising a worthy celebration.

Reports

Reports on personnel changes at the Richmond headquarters and transition to a new Treasurer, previously submitted by Executive Director and Treasurer, were discussed. Scot Huntington thanked them for their exemplary reports.

The Council discussed the ownership of domain names pertaining to the OHS.

The Council discussed management of the Huber Fund.

The Council discussed the Sunbury Press items that have been in warehouse storage.

The Council discussed new ease of accessibility to financial and membership information and possibilities for better information flow and better designed reports for more realistic assessment of financial information.

The Council discussed the possibility of moving towards an open-source and/or off-the-shelf software system for managing information. The *ad hoc* committee on information technology (chaired by Jim Cook) formed at the Feb. 15-16 regular meeting will review recommendations on new systems.

Moved: Cook; seconded: Kinzey, to accept the Recommended Realigned Staff Responsibilities and associated salaries in Executive Director’s report to Council, thereby reassigning line items in the budget accordingly. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved: Kinzey; seconded: Cook, to revert supervision of all headquarters operation staff to the Executive Director. Motion passed unanimously.

The Council discussed timing and appropriate methods of notifying general membership of changes in personnel.

Executive Director left the meeting 11:51 a.m. EDT.

Moved: Cook; seconded: Kinzey, to request that the Publications Governing Board resume printing minutes from National Council meetings in *The Tracker*. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved: Wagner; seconded: Robinson, to approve the nomination of Stephen Pinel as Honorary Member, to be voted on by the general membership at the Annual Meeting in June 2010. Motion passed unanimously. Stephen Pinel was nominated for Honorary Membership in the OHS by members Carol Britt, David Brown, Scot Huntington, Christopher Marks, and James Wallmann, in accordance with Section 3.2 (b) of the OHS By-Laws.

Moved: Wagner; seconded: Cook, to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m. EDT.

--Respectfully submitted by Christopher Marks, Councilor for Archives, acting as Secretary for this meeting.

--Amended and approved, June 20, 2010, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.