

**CIAGO Executive Board Meeting**  
**Sunday, October 21, 2018, 1:00 pm**  
**St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 1115 Grand Avenue, West Des Moines**

Present: Dave Blumer, Bev Duffy, Christopher Ellerston, Priscilla Franken, Zach Hastings, Miriam Zach, Michael Elsbernd, Pat Crawford.

Absent: Mark Koskamp

Guest: Deanna Snyder

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm by Dean Blumer

Motion made by Bev and seconded by Priscilla to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2018 meeting.

**Treasurer Report:** Mark Koskamp emailed his report as of October 19, 2018

Checking account \$1,225.91

Savings \$15,589.21

One Year CD at 2.25% \$10,000.00

Penalty for early withdrawal is 3 month interest.

CD automatically rolls over into new one-year CD unless we act within 10-day grace period.

Roller CD will have whatever the current rate is at this time.

**Old Business:** Priscilla inquired with several chapter websites and others on ways the Orgelkid projects in progressing for education and outreach. She expressed her fiduciary concerns as a board member, to invest significant chapter dollars into Orgelkit purchase, without having a written proposal presented to the board.

Deanna Snyder presented her information and read a letter from "John" in California as well as Erin from Orgelkits. It was very positive, although there hasn't been enough time to make a full study of how they thought it was going to work.

Deanna also brought up Anderson Musical Instrument Insurance Company that has created a policy specifically for Orgelkits. The annual premium would be \$250. Bev has also inquired into insurance and the annual premium of the policy she found would be \$280.

Deanna left the meeting at 1:30.

Bev made a motion to authorize an expenditure of up to \$7,500.00 for the purchase of an Orgelkit unit. The motion was seconded by Christopher. Aye votes: Dave, Bev, Christopher, Miriam, Zach, Michael, Pat. Nay votes: Priscilla.

**Program Committee:** Christopher asked for suggestions on what we want to put in the survey of members for ideas. Dave spoke with Nancy Dunfee at the workshop at

ISU on Saturday. Nancy said a workshop on registration would be helpful. Christopher mentioned that Dr. Folkerts has a program on registration already prepared.

Christopher will contact Dr. Folkers to find out if he is willing and available to present his workshop at a CIAGO program.

Christopher asked what questions should be in the survey that will go out to the CIAGO members. One suggestion was what day of the week would work best for members. What time of day; morning, afternoon, or evening. Another question will ask if members are volunteers, paid part-time or paid full-time musicians. The survey will ask what responsibilities members have in planning music, selecting hymns, etc. There will be space for members to add comments or concerns about salary and benefits issues. The survey information will be anonymous. The surveys need to be completed by November 8<sup>th</sup>.

Christopher reminded us that Dr. Folkerts will be accompanying a silent film at the Pella Opera House in Pella on Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. Members will need to RSVP Christopher so tickets can be purchased in advance of the event.

**Report on Historical Organs:** Priscilla has been researching this but did not have a report to present.

Report from committee on seeking students to study organ: Priscilla has a committee of five people and they will be meeting soon. She spoke of the South Dakota Academy that has been in existence for 31 years. Michael was involved with this organization when he lived in Sioux Falls. Students are auditioned so their skill level can be determined and evaluated. Instructors are paid a small stipend for giving lessons. It was suggested to encourage younger students who may be interested in organ. Wayne Leopold Music now has pedal extensions that will help younger students reach the pedals. Miriam suggested that this new program not be called an academy but rather an organ scholarship would be more appropriate. Dave suggested that the chapter institute a giving program similar to the AGO annual fund to provide scholarships and to pay instructors that would participate.

Michael reported that the conflict with the Joby Bell workshop and concert is currently being worked out with Mark Babcock. The workshop would be held Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and the concert would be held on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at St Paul's Episcopal Cathedral.

**Twelfth Night Party:** Zach is checking to see if we can use the party room at his apartment complex for the Twelfth Night Party on Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

**Next meeting** will be held at St Stephen's Lutheran Church, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 1:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn made by Bev and seconded by Zach. Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm.