



Association of Consultants for Liturgical Space

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 13, 2013

RE: ACLS Business Meeting

ATTENDEES:

Juanita Yoder, Gale Francione, Dale Molnar, Greg Davis, Michael Hutchinson, Marilyn Morgan, Robert Habiger, James Hundt, Ken Griesemer, James Heck, Bob Kropac, Pam Hardiman

DISCUSSION:

1. Reviewed contents of folder
2. Major things since last time in Phoenix
 - Website updated,
 - Webinars instituted,
 - Changed format for board meetings to conference calls rather than face to face,
 - Display made for booth, booth at FDLC, new flyer,
 - Many thanks to Michael Hutchinson, Marilyn Morgan, and Linda McCray for all their work in making these things happen
3. Treasurers report
 - \$13,711.03 in equity, no liability, will be at about 11k after paying for meeting – about same total as two years ago
4. Technology
 - We are now using GoToMeeting for both board meetings and webinars. Questions about GoToMeeting: Can members use GoToMeeting for other meetings? Do they charge extra for each meeting?
 - Can we open up webinars & charge outsiders? A goal – A series of webinars for which parishes could sign up for. It would be nice to do polls during webinars and evaluations afterwards.



- We have a goal of 6 webinars per year – Sept – Ken Griesmer, Oct – Pam Hardiman, Nov, Jan, Feb, Mar – Karen Schmidt. We should alternate artist/liturgical consultant presentations.
- It would be nice to record these so that people can access them later. Not everyone can attend at the time the webinar is given. Robert Habiger is retiring in March.
- When you do a webinar, Robert needs a low resolution picture of yourself, title, and a short description of your talk. You can do a PowerPoint and show video. The presenter needs headset and microphone, at least a microphone. Sound quality is much better.
- We should check out the GoToMeeting plans, as it costs us each time it is used, plus a monthly fee. Are we overpaying? Maybe we could use a webinar on how to do a webinar and how to be a participant. Or maybe just written instructions on the website.
- Feedback would be nice. Perhaps use SurveyMonkey after webinar. Should we keep doing webinars? Why? How does it expand in the future?
- Another way to use GoToMeeting – Conversations with an agenda and a coordinator, but no presenter. We'd like to use it more often.

5. Membership report

- Seem to be contracting, down 15-20%, 38 (and a few more coming) members. We seem to be about 1/3 consultants, 1/3 architects, and 1/3 artists. We may need a membership coordinator.
- Getting people to renew is difficult; people don't respond to email. In the past board members call & recall.
- One approach is to get members more involved. Perhaps we have a webinar with interviews of members and panel discussion. Artists can meet consultants & vice versa. Quick Pecha Kucha-type format.

6. Relevance

- How do we stay relevant?
- Education not asked for so often. Bishops often don't want liturgical consultants, others require them.
- Focus on design and unique things we can offer.
- Why did we each come? Answers - Education, networking, topic of cultural diversity, hope to see photographs on website, what is the vision, , listen to others, camaraderie, support organization.
- The good news seems to be that more artists are being commissioned.



7. New Members

- Dale Molnar – Marietta, Georgia, MFA Studio Arts, degree in religion, image maker, painting, banners, tapestries, sculpting, works with other crafts people, stained glass, glass blowing, mosaics, vessels for Holy Oils.
- James Heck – San Antonio, TX, architect, religious architecture, 130 projects in history, handles most religious architecture in firm, San Antonio, historic preservation, good architecture makes a difference and helps people

8. By-Laws

- What does “members present” mean for an online meeting? Answer: Members signed in at GoToMeeting
- Remove first sentence of 4.3
- 5.3 Change “team member” to board members, treasurer – spelling, “may be ex-officio” change to “are ex-officio”
- 5.4 remove paragraph
- 5.2 “of the 3 Board Members” should be “of the Board Members”, strike “at-large”
- Three board members shall be elected in odd numbered years – president and two at-large. The board may appoint one carry-over for a one term period. There will be a 2 year term for each of the board members; members may rotateappointed on numbered years
- 10.3, 10.5 remove vice president
- Consistent language – Board Members, not board of directors

9. Elections

- President Carol Frenning
- At Large - Juanita Yoder, Will Brocious

10. New Business

- Conference with Gil Ostdiek: put together stories of changes and capture for future

NEXT MEETING:

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