



ACLS BOARD MEETING  
August 16, 2022 – 4:30 EDT

MINUTES

Board Members Present: George Hoelzeman, (President), Gale Francione (Secretary)  
Peggy Parker, Sarah Hempel Irani  
Other Officers Present: Martin DeSapio (Treasurer, but not a Board Member)  
Liaisons Present: Marilyn Morgan (Webinar), William Brocious (Communications)  
Guests: Ken Griesemer, Fr. Rob Spaulding  
Absent: Jay Hall Carpenter, Scott Parsons

1. APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING– George  
The corrected minutes were approved. (George/Peggy)

**GALE** will post them to the website.

2. SOUTHWEST LITURGICAL CONFERENCE STUDY WEEK - Ken Griesemer and Fr. Rob Spaulding (president of SWLC) met with the Board. Fr. Rob praised the work done jointly with ACLS. They are pleased with the Art/Architecture track and want to continue the collaboration. How can we work together better? How can the Study Week serve the needs of ACLS members as a resource?

The SWLC for 2023 will be virtual. 2024 will be a live/hybrid event in Oklahoma City. Keynotes for 2023 include Ricky Manalo, Sr. Barbara Reid, and Sr. Guadalupe Ramirez. The dates are February 9-11, 2023.

Ken noted that Carol Frenning is willing to work as liaison between ACLS/SWLC.

Some discussion points and ideas for ACLS and SWLC to consider:

- Not as many ACLS members participate except for exhibitors.
- Tap other ACLS members as presenters?
- Put a scheduled time in the schedule for ACLS members to gather. Saturday evening?

- Do a presentation on ACLS during the time some dioceses are doing their own meeting?
- More advertising in social media.

Workshop ideas:

- A panel of consultant, architect, artist to do a case study
- A moderated conversation with the exhibitors.
- Showcase for artists/architects.
- Perhaps some “academically inclined” content for some workshops.
- Have artists/exhibitors host a “happy hour” – an opportunity to look in their studio.

The Board will continue this conversation about possible presentations, times in the schedule when ACLS can meet, etc.

### 3. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### TREASURER’S REPORT – Martin De Sapio

Martin walked the Board through the July statements. An annual Zoom subscription payment will save us \$40.00, rather than the monthly payment. Martin did that. We have a payment for Goat Cloud which Martin will pay. Our signature card for the bank is outdated. Jim, Shelley, and Robert, are still listed as officers.

**MARTIN** will contact Chase to gain permission for Gale and George to update the signatures on the accounts. When he does so, **Gale** and **George** can contact a local Chase branch to make the correction.

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Jay Hall Carpenter (absent, no report)

- Status of lapsed members
- Task checklist update
- Dashboard training

#### WEBINAR COMMITTEE REPORT – Marilyn Morgan

February webinar – On February 21, Brigitte Shim (well-known architect from Canada) will be the presenter. ACLS will widely promote it to the membership. The Board discussed broadcasting it to the general public, but chose not to do this, since the webinar will be available on YouTube soon.

January webinar – Michael Crosbie (our August Retreat presenter) is a member of a panel scheduled for January. Marilyn requested input to assist them in developing the webinar. Michael Crosbie had spoken of how millennials consider sacred space and their particular needs. How do the needs of millennials inform our work? How can their desire for

“authenticity” be reflected as a continuum of tradition, yet in contemporary forms?

**MARILYN** will take our input to the Webinar committee and the February panel.

- COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – Will Brocius
  - Annual website bill – Will walked the Board through the report
  - Newsletter/Insites – Will indicated a need for input from Board members for the Newsletter and an Editorial Board to develop ideas for future Insites newsletters. Sarah expressed interest in this Board. Further discussion will be needed regarding the Editorial Board. This quarter’s Insites will be published the third week of September and will include an article from the President; a feature about Bridgitte Shim; a story about a new member; and dates of upcoming conferences/webinars.

**WILL** will get back to Cliff to get details of the contract and the timetable for bringing it online. We support Will in getting some clarification from Cliff, so that we can approve next month.

**GEORGE** will write a general introduction to the membership.

**MARILYN** will write a feature about Bridgitte Shim.

**SARAH** will write about a friend she invited to be a member of ACLS.

**WILL** will write about upcoming conferences and webinars (including SWLC, ACLS Retreat)

4. OLD BUSINESS: On Hold

- ACLS Retreat - Mount Angel Abbey, Oregon
  1. Updates
  2. Timeline for promoting the retreat

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- FDLC conference 4-6 October in New Orleans
  1. George H. and Shelley Smith will be attending and both are willing to post the brochures at their booths.
  2. The brochures are available through Will. The Board decided to put flyers in the “goodie bags” of the attendees, but not pay for an ad. Shelly will also bring the banner.

**WILL** will ship direct to FDLC – **GEORGE** will get him the address to send it to and will display the brochures at FDLC.

6. Set Meeting Date and Time
7. Adjourn – (Gale/Sarah)



NEXT MEETING  
Second Tuesday of the Month  
September 13, 2020  
4:30 EDT  
3:30 CDT  
2:30 WDT