



ACLS BOARD MEETING  
10 January 2023 – 4:30 EST  
MINUTES

Present:

Officers: George Hoelzeman (President), Gale Francione (Secretary), Martin de Sapio (Treasurer)  
Members: Peggy Parker, Sarah Hempel Irani, Scott Parsons, Jay Hall Carpenter  
Liaisons Marilyn Morgan, Will Brocius  
Guest: Ken Griesemer

I. PRE-MEETING ITEMS – George

- A. The Board agreed that, in the interest of time, if any item of discussion takes more than 15 minutes, that item will be continued via email.
- B. Scott shared his Faith and Form Award. He completed a mosaic set of Stations, very small in scale. We hope to see them soon.

II. SOUTHWEST LITURGICAL CONFERENCE - Ken Griesemer

There will be two showcases, one on Thursday, 9 February and one on Friday, 10 February. Thursday's focus will be on artists: Scott, Jay, and Peggy or Juanita Yoder. On Friday the focus is on consultants: Marilyn, George, and Carol Frenning. Ken will moderate both panels.

Ken clarified what the SWLC Board was looking for...

How does a parish find an artist/consultant?

What are the best practices in working with an artist/consultant?

What are the ethical, justice practices when seeking an artist/consultant?

How can a consultant assist in finding an artist?

Can the panel discuss experiences, both good and bad, when working with parishes?

What makes a good fit with an artist and the community?

Some points of discussion: if you're not going to use a catalog, what else can you do? Research on-line, find local sacred artists, find those who can do the work? What is the consultant's role on a project, and why they are of use. Promotion of Carol's program. What is the process of collaboration with the artist and community.

Each panel is only 45 minutes, with Q&A. Images can be used, but only to illuminate the conversation.

**PEGGY** will consider being on the panel.

**GEORGE** will contact Juanita if Peggy says no.

**THE PANELS** will meet before the Conference to iron out the details of the presentation.

III. APPROVE MINUTES – George  
Minutes were approved by all.  
**GALE** will post on the website.

IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. TREASURER’S REPORT – Martin

New members have enrolled.

New \$10K CD has been purchased.

Martin submitted a budget for 2023 and the actual amounts received for 2022.

Martin also reminded the Board of the importance of membership to meet the 2023 budget.

**MARTIN** will send the itemized details of the Communications section to Will.

B. MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Jay

There have been 16 renewals and 8 expirations.

**JAY** will send out renewal letter reminders to others.

C. WEBINAR COMMITTEE REPORT – Marilyn

Paul Barribeau will not be attending the Valparaiso Ecumenical Conference on April 17-19, 2023.

He will ship the ACLS banner to anyone who will be attending. Gale is considering attending.

**GALE** will ask Paul to send the banner if she decides to attend the Conference.

- There are some conflicts in the webinar schedule. Marilyn will keep the Board updated.

- All past webinars but one have been uploaded on the website.

- There are two slots open for 2023 webinars, and preparing to schedule 2024 webinars.

- There was a request to send out another August Retreat “save the date” as soon as possible for members to put on their calendars.

- Marilyn will be inviting some other members to be on the Webinar Committee.

D. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – Will

After much discussion, it was determined that the Board will not have an ad in the LA Congress.

The deadline is too close (Friday), the formats available cannot be adapted in time, and the cost is high (Quarter page for \$350, half-page for \$850, full page for \$1200.)

The decision was made to make up several ad styles to be available for next year.

**GEORGE** contact Pam Hardiman and ask if we can send some ACLS materials for her booth.

**WILL** will send info to Pam Hardiman. She will not receive the banner.

**GEORGE** and **WILL** will talk about potential ACLS ads

- Will talked to the web guy and the website is starting to come together.

- Once the website is completed, there will be work for individual members to do. In this way, we will be well-represented on the web.

- The Board needs to spend time on a plan for communications/advertising.

V. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Retreat plan – Peggy presented a draft schedule for the retreat. Tours on Sunday? Planned tours? Karen Schmidt, Gregg Lewis would be local liaisons to Portland. Optional tour info for Sunday afternoon, points of interest and leave on Monday?

**WILL** will send a “save the date.”

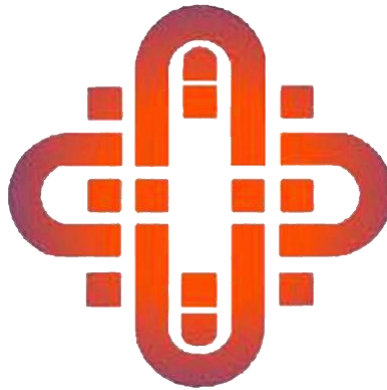
**WILL** will send an email to Marilyn regarding an article – date and topic.

**PEGGY** will be in touch with Karen Schmidt regarding possible tours related to the retreat and send the information to all.

**PEGGY** will send the retreat draft to Michael Crosbie.

B. Lumen Christi –

**GEORGE** will email info to discuss via email.



NEXT MEETING  
Thursday February 16  
4:30 ET  
3:30 CT  
1:30 PT