MINUTES OF THE ATOS BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL TELEPHONE CONFERENCE MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2006; 6:00 P.M. EDT

A special meeting was called October 23, 2006 by President Ken Double. The meeting loosely followed the agenda distributed by e-mail to the board by Secretary John Riester.

President Ken Double calls the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. EDT

The secretary, John Riester, conducted the roll call: **Officers Present**: Ken Double, President; Michael Fellenzer, Vice-President; John Riester, Secretary; Paul Van Der Molen, Treasurer **Directors Present**: Vern Bickel, Mike Cierski, Jelani Eddington, Ed Mullins, Don Near, Donna Parker, Doug Powers, Carlton Smith **Youth Representative Present**: John Riester **Staff Members Present**: Jim Merry, Executive Secretary; Jeff Weiler, Parliamentarian. [Bob Acker, Chair of Amateur Organist Competition, joined later in the meeting.] A quorum was declared.

Standing Committee Reports

<u>Convention Planning Committee</u>: In absence of Mike Kinerk, Ken Double reported on registration for Eastern Massachusetts regional convention (November 2006), planning for Mid-Atlantic Convention (July 2007), and a proposed regional in Birmingham, Alabama (TBD, possibly 2009).

--Discussion continued about lower than anticipated registration for the EMCATOS event, and some frustration on their part over a delay in advertising. Consensus among the Board is to pursue possible compensation due to said delays, however not until the completion of the convention.

<u>Young Theatre Organist Competition:</u> Motion: Approve changes for the 2007 Young Theatre Organist Competition. Moved: Jelani Eddington. Carried: Unanimous.

<u>Amateur Theatre Organist Competition</u>: Motion: Approve changes for the 2007 Amateur Theatre Organist Competition. Moved: Jelani Eddington. Carried: Unanimous.

--Discussion ensued about whether ATOS should pay for, or simply waive, certain fees like registration and other fees for winners who are brought to an ATOS convention. Motion was postponed until the mid-year meeting, pending further research.

<u>Theatre Organ Summer Camp</u>: The Board's consensus is to look into an alternate location near Chicago, if possible, to save costs on travel, hosting, and lodging.

--Motion: Advertise a projected summer clinic in the Chicagoland area for summer of 2007 in the January/February issue of *Theatre Organ*, and request an updated report from the clinic committee by Monday, November 27, 2006. Moved: John Riester. Carried: Unanimous

Special Reports

Paul Van Der Molen has no news at this point regarding a CPA for balloting. Paul and Ken Double will pursue the issue more and present their findings at the next Board meeting.

New Business

Public Relations Chairman Donna Parker requested that Directors sign up for a slot in a "Director's Corner" for an upcoming *Theatre Organ* issue in order that there are two articles in most issues.

Bylaws Chairman Jelani Eddington gave a report to the Board regarding a NYTOS bylaws question from Dave Kopp.

President Double postponed the appointment of Finance and Archive Committee chairmen until the next meeting of the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. EDT.

John Riester, Secretary*

*The Secretary would like to thank Jelani Eddington for his assistance in scribing a large portion of the meeting while he was unable to take notes.