

MINUTES OF THE ATOS BOARD OF DIRECTORS TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2008
8:00 P.M. E.D.T.

Chairman of the Board Peterson called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. E.D.T.

Officers Present: Craig Peterson, Chairman of the Board, Bob Evans, Secretary, Paul Van Der Molen, Treasurer. **Board Members Present:** John De Majo, Jelani Eddington, Michael Fellenzer, Allen Miller, Donna Parker, Doug Powers, Bucky Reddish. **Absent:** John Apple, Don Near. **Youth Representative Present:** Tyler Morkin.

Staff Present: Ken Double, President/CEO, Mike Kinerk, Convention Planning Coordinator, Jim Merry, Executive Secretary, Jeff Weiler, Parliamentarian, Tom Blackwell, Web Site Coordinator, Steve LaManna, ATOS Tour Coordinator.

Chairman of the Board Peterson declared a quorum.

The minutes of the ATOS Annual Board Meeting and the ATOS Board telephone conference meeting of August 19, 2008 were approved. The minutes of the ATOS Annual Membership Meeting were approved for publication.

Old Business:

Standing Committee Reports:

- ATOS Touring Show: Steve LaManna reported that he has completed the arrangements for the first ATOS Touring Show. This show will be presented at the Riviera Theater in North Tonawanda, New York on April 19, 2009.
Steve said that he had made many contacts with theaters that were suggested to him. In most cases his phone calls and E-mails went unanswered. He stated that to insure success the local chapters must get behind the movement.
Ken Double expressed the Board's disappointment that more progress has not been made.
Ken Double and Craig Peterson will arrange for an Executive Committee telephone conference call in the near future.
- ATOS Youth Camp Update:
Jelani Eddington and Donna Parker reported that the Youth Camp was a resounding success this past summer. They are now in the process of choosing a location for next year's camp.
We will see a concrete budget structure for the Youth Camp.
Jonas, Donna, and Jelani are looking for suggestions for teachers for the camp.
The ATOS Adult Camp was also a success. Those participating were satisfied with the experience.
- ATOS Technical Camp:
Allen Miller is in the process of creating the structure for an ATOS Technical Camp to be held shortly after the ATOS Annual Convention next summer. An appropriate venue has been offered for the camp. Part of the camp would take place in a major theater and classical organ venue.
Allen wants to use the knowledge base from the Youth Camp and use it to help organize the Technical Camp. He is looking for input for the camp.
- ATOS Web Site:

Tom Blackwell reported that the designer for the web site has been chosen. The designer will be conducting interviews with those people designated during the last telephone conference. Tom is exploring a new look for the web site with many updates and improvements that will make the site more user friendly, informative, and attractive.

- **ATOS Annual Convention Report:**
Mike Kinerk gave the Board an update on the 2008 ATOS Annual Convention. The convention was an artistic and financial success. Attendance was 525 people.
Mr. Kinerk then offered the Board an update of upcoming events:
July, 2009-ATOS Annual Convention in Cleveland, Ohio
November, 2009-ATOS Regional Convention in Birmingham, Alabama
July, 2010-ATOS Annual Convention in Seattle, Washington
July-2011-ATOS Annual Convention in Massachusetts and Rhode Island
July 2012-ATOS Annual Convention in Orange County, Los Angeles, and San Diego, California
Mike also reported that he had made lodging arrangements for the ATOS Mid Year Meeting to be held in Las Vegas, Nevada on January 3,4, 2009.

Motion: (Van Der Molen) to accept the Eastern Massachusetts Chapter 2011 convention bid with Bob Evans as convention chair.
(Unanimous)

Motion: (Miller) to accept the Orange County Chapter 2012 convention bid with Don Near as convention chair.

- The Board received and filed the report of the President/CEO.
- The Board received and filed the report of the Endowment Committee Chair.
- The Board then entered discussion on the Vice-Chairman's post. President Double asked officers and board members to solicit candidates for the position. The Board will accept nominations for the next teleconference.
President Double also reiterated the need for Board members and officers to encourage qualified candidates to run for the ATOS Board of Directors. He also strongly suggested that Board members contact their assigned chapters and explain the need for nominees.

New Business:

- Paul Van Der Molen assured that Board that our investments are intact despite the uncertainty of the Stock Market.
- President/CEO Double reported that Dolton McAlpin has agreed to take over the legal responsibilities and provide legal counsel for ATOS. Ken thanked Jelani Eddington for his work above and beyond the call of duty for the benefit of ATOS. Jelani Eddington will communicate with Dolton and bring him up to date on any pertinent legal matters.
- Ken Double reported that John Apple has enlisted John McCall to work with chapters to convince those who are "friends" of a chapter to join ATOS. Mr. Apple and Mr. McCall will work with eight to ten chapters at a time.
- A 3/11 Barton Theatre Organ that was playing when removed may be available for eventual donation to the proposed theatre organ course of studies at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New

York. President/CEO Double expressed the opinion that this was surely a positive move toward the preservation of theatre organ performance.

- Ken Double then reminded all Board and Staff members that communication is important and all business should be attended to in a timely manner.

Good of the Order:

A Board member asked about the progress of the survey.

President Double informed the Board that the survey information has been compiled and analyzed. Doug Powers had reported that many of our members wrote five and six page responses to some of the subjective questions. Hopefully, the results will be ready soon.

Paul Van Der Molen reported that the Adult Theatre Organ Getaway was not discussed earlier in the meeting. From all reports the Adult event was a success and generated many positive comments. Paul expressed concern that the camp operated at a small financial loss and asked those involved with the administration of the event to consider ways to make the activity self-supporting.

Hearing no other items for consideration Chairman of the Board Craig Peterson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:44 E.D.T.

/s/ Bob Evans, Secretary

All business was conducted following *Robert's Rules of Order*. Jeff Weiler, Parliamentarian