



THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL (TOSI)

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FIRST ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING HYATT REGENCY HOTEL, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA JULY 4, 2008

The meeting was called to order by the President at 4:15 PM in Jack's Moelmann's hotel room.

The meeting would be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

A quorum as defined in the Bylaws is 5% of the membership or at least 5 members. Members in attendance were Richard Ahlvin, Don Near, Jeff Cushing, Norma Peters, Don Walker, Jack Moelmann, and Gus Franklin. A quorum was declared. Several others were there as observers and later joined TOSI.

The President, Gus Franklin, made some introductory comments and members attending were introduced. The current Officers and Directors present were introduced.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the Secretary provided the Treasurer's Report:

Year ending Dec 31, 2007

Income	\$ 3790.00
Expenses	\$ 2298.85
Profit/Loss	\$ 1481.15 profit

2008 as of June 1, 2008

Income from Jan 1 to June 1, 2008	\$517.79
Expenses	\$540.35
Profit/Loss	(\$22.59)

Bank Balance as of June 1, 2008 \$1458.59

Respectfully Submitted, Bob Miloche, Treasurer

With a motion from Don Walker and a Second by Norma Peters, the Treasurer's report was accepted for file.

A report was made by the Secretary, Jack Moelmann, outlining actions taken by the Board of Directors since the beginning of the TOSI organization:

1. The first planning meeting for TOSI was held September 29-30, 2006, in New Jersey. The first official Board of Director's Meeting was held February 10, 2007, in O'Fallon, IL. The next meeting of the Board was July 4, 2007, Marriott Marquis, New York City during the 2007 ATOS Annual Convention. Two Special Board Meetings were held September 14 & 16, 2007, in Suffern, New York, as part of the first event of the TOSI.

2. Some actions were dealt with by e-mail vote by the Board. These occurred on November 3 and 7, and December 19, 2007, as well as January 7 and February 19, 2008.

3. As of June 15, 2008, TOSI has 75 members (through member #75): 19 are Founding Patrons, 37 are Regular Charter Members, 2 are Patrons, and 16 are Regular Members. We also have one Honorary Member.

4. During the first Board of Directors' Meeting on February 10, 2007, the following Officers were seated:
- President – Gus Franklin
 - Vice President – (Vacant) (Carlo Curley was later appointed as Vice President)
 - Secretary – Jack Moelmann
 - Treasurer – Bob Miloche

After later consideration, John Ledwon was appointed as the Vice President while Carlo Curley was appointed as Honorary Vice President.

The following are the Council Members:

- Dan Bellomy
- Bob Davidson
- Russell Holmes
- Nelson Page
- Diane Walker

Other assignments have included:

- Executive Director (Membership) – Jack Moelmann
- Web Site Designer – Joe Loring
- Web Site Manager – Tom Hoehn
- Newsletter Editor – Dan Bellomy
(Dan Bellomy resigned as Editor in March 2008 and was replaced by Les Hickory)
- Programming – Nelson Page
- Organ Clearing House – Bob Davidson
- Web Site Coordinator – Jack Moelmann

5. TOSI was been incorporated in the State of Delaware in 2007.

6. The Mission Statement is: *Theatre Organ Society International (TOSI) is a membership organization for public and charitable purposes whose aim is to promote and present theatre organ performance as an internationally recognized art form.*

7. Bylaws and policies were developed and published, a mailing address was established in O'Fallon, Illinois, and a preliminary web site was designed. The bylaws and policies can be found on the TOSI Web Site. The Web Site address is:
www.TheatreOrganSocietyInternational.com

8. A membership brochure was developed and made available for distribution.

9. Dues were established at \$25.00 for a Regular Membership and \$100.00 or more for a Patron. Charter Membership and Founding Patron Membership status would be given up through December 31, 2007.

10. The first event for TOSI was a program at the Lafayette Theatre in Suffern, New York, September 16, 2007, with Jack Moelmann at the organ accompanying the silent film classic "The General". The second event was Jeff Barker accompanying "The Phantom of the Opera" at the Palace Theatre, Lake Placid, New York, October 31, 2007.

Upcoming TOSI events include the Radio City Music Hall program in New York City on August 9, 2008 with Jack Moelmann, Dan Bellomy, Russell Holmes, Walt Strony, and Gus Franklin. The silent film "Phantom of the Opera" with John Baratta on the organ will be at the Byrd Theatre in Richmond, Virginia, October 24, 2008. Lew Williams will be featured in concert at the Lincoln Theatre in Belleville, Illinois, November 2, 2008. On March 20, 2009, Jack Moelmann will accompany the silent film "The General" at the Byrd Theatre in Richmond, Virginia, with Jeff Barker doing a mini-concert before the film.

11. The first public announcement of the formation of the TOSI was made at the New York ATOS Convention in July 2007. It began with a meeting with ATOS President, Ken Double, introducing him to the organization and its purpose. After that, brochures were made available for discrete distribution to convention attendees.

12. A logo was developed and is being used when and where appropriate.

13. There have been four Newsletters published to date. The plan is to have them quarterly.
14. Jack Moelmann would be the coordinator of activities with the Web Site. One of our members, Joe Loring of O'Fallon, Illinois, volunteered to be the Web Site Designer and his results can be seen on the site.
15. As it pertains primarily to an artist honorarium, TOSI will compensate any TOSI Board member at most \$500 for any one function carried out or service rendered on behalf of the Society. Additionally, no TOSI Board member shall receive more than \$1000 per year from TOSI for such services. These amounts are in addition to any ordinary reimbursement for normal travel and lodging expenses as approved by the Board.
16. All TOSI Board members shall have been members of TOSI in good standing prior to election or appointment and must continue to be such throughout the length of term of such office or appointment.
17. When conducting an e-mail vote, the Secretary shall specify a reasonable future date by which the responses (aye, nay, or abstain) must be received by e-mail or documented telephone conversation. Any Director not responding by that stated date will be considered absent from the meeting.
18. A quorum for an Annual Membership Meeting shall be five percent (5%) of the membership or not fewer than five (5) members in attendance.
19. Members will receive a 10% discount on any ticket purchased for any TOSI performance program, and a standing invitation to attend all artist receptions which may be scheduled. A patron will receive a 25% discount on any ticket purchased for any TOSI performance program, a 25% discount on one TOSI magazine subscription, and a standing invitation to attend all artist receptions which may be scheduled. These benefits will persist as long as membership at any level is continuously maintained.
20. Payment of dues for a renewal for anyone who joined TOSI in 2007 will be suspended until their renewal month in 2009.
21. A paragraph 4.2d was added to the bylaws: Honorary Vice Presidents. One or more Honorary Vice Presidents may be selected by the voting Directors (Council members and Officers) as they deem appropriate. Such persons shall be non-voting Directors who have seat and voice at any Board meeting when physically present.
22. In Section 4.3 of the Bylaws was changed to read: "In each year that nominations for the offices of President and Vice President are open (i.e., the year preceding elections of President and Vice President), notice of this fact shall be given to members not earlier than November 1 and not later than December 31. Each member is eligible for nomination ... postmarked on or before January 15th."
23. Section 4.7 of the Bylaws was revised to say: "Annual Board Meeting. A meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held at least annually at a time and place determined by the Board."
24. TOSI was named as the sponsoring organization, in name only, for the musical program being arranged at the Radio City Music Hall on August 9, 2008.
25. A "PayPal" account was set up in March for membership as well as ticket sales for the Radio City Music Hall program and for future programs. Donations would also be received through PayPal.
26. The Executive Director purchased a computer program so that we can develop and print our own tickets for shows. This will save a lot of money on printing costs.

Respectfully submitted,

Upcoming scheduled events were announced:

Radio City Music Hall, New York City – August 9

Phantom of the Opera, John Baratta at the Byrd Theatre, Richmond, VA – Oct 24

Lew Williams, Lincoln Theatre, Belleville, IL – Nov 2

Jeff Barker and Jack Moelmann, *The General*, Byrd Theatre,
Richmond, VA – March 20, 2009

NEW BUSINESS - None

The next Annual Membership Meeting will be held at a time and place to be determined. It will probably be during the 2009 ATOS Convention, Cleveland, Ohio.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
JACK MOELMANN, Secretary