



Minutes

Twelfth Annual Meeting

Monday, September 17, 2018, 10:30 AM
Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Chapel

Opening

President Mark Eckert opened the twelfth annual WLS Alumni meeting at 10:30 a.m. with prayer.

Greeting from the Seminary

With President Paul Wendland traveling, Vice President Earle Treptow greeted the alumni and gave an update on current news and enrollment. He reported that the seminary is now an associate member of the Association of Theological Schools and can pursue accreditation.

Welcome and Acknowledgement of Classes

President Eckert welcomed the alumni by decade. The oldest alumnus present was from the class of 1955.

Minutes of October 2, 2017

A motion was made, supported, and adopted to accept the minutes of the October 2, 2017, annual meeting.

Elections (Vice President, Secretary, Committee Members)

A motion was made, supported, and adopted (by lack of dissent or amendment) to accept the ballot as presented. The assembled alumni voted to fill positions up for election on the WLS Alumni Executive Committee and Board. The results of the election were as follows:

- Vice President: Mark Luetzow (WLS 2003)
- Secretary: Nathan Ericson (WLS 2002)
- Nominating Committee member: Gerhardt Juergens (WLS 2005)
- Membership Committee member: Daniel Heiderich (WLS 1998)

Awarding of Scholarships

President Mark Eckert welcomed Middler Daniel Schmidt and Senior Adam Lambrecht, this year's recipients of the WLS Alumni scholarships. Both expressed appreciation for the gifts received.

Financial Report

Treasurer Rich Waldschmidt presented the WLS Alumni treasurer's report. Last year, ended June 30, 2018, WLS Alumni received \$4485 in gifts for the operating fund. We awarded two \$1000 scholarships and assisted the Grow in Grace retreat with \$250. Net assets as of June 30, 2018, were \$2324, an increase of \$1029. There were \$1305 in gifts to the endowment fund; together with market changes, the endowment balance increased during the year ended June 30, 2018, by \$2253 to \$14,182. A motion was made, supported, and adopted to accept the treasurer's report.

Main Presentation (Professor Jonathan Bare of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, WLS 2008)

Jonathan Bare gave a presentation about the expansion of the Pastoral Studies Institute as our seminary responds to the growing number of requests for pastoral training here in the U.S. and around the world.

Roll of Alumni Departed to Glory since Last We Met

Professor John Brenner read the roll of the 16 WLS alumni who had departed to glory since the 2017 WLS Alumni annual meeting. The alumni then sang hymn 551, "For All the Saints," stanzas 1, 2, 7, and 8. Professor James Tiefel was the organist for the day.

Acknowledgements, Announcements, and Adjournment

The date of the next annual meeting is subject to when the seminary schedules next year's symposium. The twelfth annual meeting of WLS Alumni adjourned at 11:45 a.m. with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



Pastor Nathan Ericson, Secretary

Related Documents

- Minutes of the October 2, 2017, meeting
- The Chronicler's Report of WLS alumni who departed to glory since the 2017 meeting
- The 2017-2018 WLS Alumni Treasurer's Report