

Summary NLAS Annual Meeting

June 13, 2009

LCMS International Center
St. Louis, MO

Affirmation of Appointment

The membership present affirmed by unanimous voice vote the appointment by the Executive Board of Cole Petersen to the President-elect office.

Reports

Treasurer- Ron Adolphi (as read by Cole Petersen) on the balance, NLAS has adequate funding. Revenue is down somewhat from prior years. Expenses have also been lower. Aside from the checking account all operating and endowment funds are invested with Thrivent for Lutherans. As with the overall financial marketplace our investments reflect much lower valuations from last year. Overtime, one may assume that the market will settle and valuations will recover. Approximately \$49,876 in financial assets as of May 31, 2009. \$19,308 is reserved for the Endowment Fund, and another \$3,122 in the Jamboree Chaplaincy Fund. The Shirley A. Martin Memorial Fund remains unchanged from last year (nearly \$8,300) but, consistent with the donor's wishes, The Executive Board has identified opportunities that would expend those funds. The remaining uncommitted balance is approximately \$19,146. Many non-profits seek to keep 2-3 times annual expenses as an operating reserve which, for NLAS would be in the range of \$16,000-\$25,000.

Membership- Terri Christian (as read by Trent Christian) There was a decline in membership for NLAS last year. This was due to problems with renewals not getting sent out in a timely manner and the database not being current. New Membership Chair Terri Christian has everything up to date now. Electronic renewals went out in March, paper renewals in the U.S. Mail in April. As of June 1st 257 members have renewed.

Recognition- George Miller (as read by Trent Christian) From January 1 through June 1, 2009 615 NLAS Recognition Certificates have been sent out. The breakdown is: 21 God & Me; 4 God & Family; 227 God & Church; 86 God & Life; 248 Eagle Scouts, 4 Gold and 9 Silver Awards; 3 NLAS ne Life memberships; 1 LAS Recognition; and 7 Arrow of Light.

Members at Large- Jim Whitehead (as presented by Trent Christian) has completed investigation of re-organization of the NLAS Trading Post. He submitted three options to the Executive Board for working out an arrangement with an outside vendor.

Members at Large- Georgiana Sibert- Has completed investigation of replacement of the four regional NLAS displays. The Board voted to retire them and purchase two new displays to replace them. Georgiana will continue to serve as the Display Chairperson.

ELCA Representative- Rev. Sherm Martell- ELCA National Youth Gathering will be held in July in New Orleans. NLAS, BSA, and PRAY will co-sponsor an exhibit. There is a possibility that Rev. Bill Bixby, ELCA Youth Ministry, will serve as a sub-camp Chaplain at next year's Jamboree.

LCMS Representative- Rev. Mark Kiessling- Recently completed the new Memorandum of Understanding between BSA and LCMS. 2010 LCMS National Youth Gathering will be in New Orleans.

Resolutions- 20090613-2 Membership voted to re-establish an Endowment Fund Committee

Annual Meetings

Resolutions- 20090613-3 Membership voted Chicago, IL as the site of the 2011 Annual Meeting

The next annual meeting will take place in Alexandria, VA at St. John's Lutheran Church tentatively on July 22, 2010.