

**Minutes**  
**Northwestern College Alumni Society annual meeting**  
**Luther Preparatory School, Watertown Wisconsin**  
**May 18, 2016**

The 138<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Northwestern College Alumni Society was called to order by the chairman, Prof. Alan Siggelkow, NWC '65, at 4:40 p.m. Prof. Siggelkow thanked LPS for hosting the meeting and for its hospitality.

LPS President, Rev. Matthew Crass, welcomed the society members to the Watertown campus.

Prof. John Brenner gave the annual Chronicler's report; a copy is attached to these minutes. The members stood and observed a moment of silence in thankful remembrance of society members gone on to glory.

Rev. Edward Lindemann, chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented a list of candidates for two-year terms as 2<sup>nd</sup> vice-president and treasurer of the society. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the list of nominees. Later in the meeting the chair announced that Rev. John Gawrisch and Rev. Timothy Spaude were re-elected as second vice-president and treasurer of the society. 49 ballots were cast.

President Siggelkow called the roll of NWC classes. As the years of graduation were called, members present stood and identified themselves. Prof. emeritus Armin Schuetze, class of '37, was recognized as the oldest NWC graduate present. Due to late registrations and absences of some who had registered, an exact count of those present could not be determined. The officers estimated that about 100 alumni, spouses and guests were present for the meeting and the banquet that followed.

Minutes of the May 20, 2015 annual meeting had been mailed to society members earlier in the year. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes.

Rev. Timothy Spaude, the society's treasurer, presented the financial report. As of 3/31/16 the operating fund showed a deficit of \$3,429; the Presidents' Fund had a balance of \$190,487. The report also included a brief narrative in which Treasurer Spaude explained that a payout of \$10,000 had been made to LPS from the operating fund for a Baptistry, an Alumni Society project approved by the membership. Rev. Spaude also pointed out that one of the two yearly mailings is now done electronically. Mailing costs for the paper mailing were significantly reduced through the use of volunteers for preparing it. The Presidents' Fund, from which scholarships to MLC students are paid out each year, is invested with WELS Investments. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the treasurer's report pending audit.

Our chairman, Prof. Alan Siggelkow, is in his 35<sup>th</sup> year of service to the society. Prof. Siggelkow expressed his thanks to the other members of the presidium and to Rev. Lindemann, who has served for many years as chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Chairman Siggelkow introduced Prof. Ross Stelljes of Martin Luther College, who introduced the students who were recommended by an MLC faculty committee as recipients of the annual Presidents' Fund scholarships. They are

Mark Zondag, President John Braun grant in the area of English

Dan Schmidt, President John Braun grant in the area of leadership

Jonathan Lehmann, President John Braun grant in the area of leadership (two leadership grants this year)

Jason Lindemann, President Robert Voss grant in the area of student life

Adam Marley, President Robert Voss grant in the area of student life (two student life grants this year)

Isaac Hayes, President Carleton Toppe grant in GPA and the area of religion

Carl Boeder, President Lewis Thompson grant in the area of worship and music

Tyler Zeamer, President E.E. Kowalke grant in the area of Biblical languages

Martin Loescher, President Adam Martin grant in the area of living languages

Joey Neuberger, President August Ernst grant in the area of Confessional languages (Latin)

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the MLC faculty recommendations and release the funds for these scholarships.

Thank you letters from each of the recipients were read; scholarship recipient Jonathan Lehmann was present at the meeting.

Prof Siggelkow reported on various projects addressed by the presidium during the year. These include

A NWC/NPS historical display case for the LPS campus (cost to be about \$2,000)

A sign commemorating the NWC Alumni Society's gift of the bell tower on the LPS campus (about \$4,000)

Creation of an updated paper directory of NWC graduates, 1871-1995, to be made available at a nominal cost to interested alumni and friends

The society is still accepting items for the Tontine; etched NWC Alumni Society glasses will be ordered and made available to interested society members and friends.

The society moved and approved a resolution of thanks for those who served and assisted us in the past year  
Mary Siggelkow, who serves as society office secretary and keeps records of both NWC and NPS graduates and all gifts and dues payments  
all who served on committees or advised the members of the presidium during the past year  
the business office of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary: Brian Treichel, Business Manager and especially Lori Guse and Carol Puglisi  
the administration, faculty and staff of Luther Preparatory School, especially Sue Boulden and Fran Brickner

A motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn the business meeting.

A buffet dinner was served by the kitchen staff of LPS; students assisted as wait staff.

After dinner speakers were Rev. John Braun, NWC '65, the last president of NWC

Rev. Daniel Schroeder, NWC 1991 (25-year class)

Prof. Ronald Hahm, NWC 1966 (50-year class)

Rev. David Plocher, NWC 1956 (60-year class)

The evening closed with the singing of the Alma Mater and "Cheer for Old Northwestern."

Respectfully submitted

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