

Minutes of ORCA Meeting for October 16, 2007

President Gregory Wiechert called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

Robin Paris, Director of Development, The Lutheran School of the Miami Valley announced that she has accepted a position with Lutheran Haven, Oviedo, Florida, as Director of Major Gifts, LCMS Foundation. We will miss Robin and her gifts and rejoice with her in her new position. A Mentoring Chair is now needed for the Ohio Regional Chapter of ALDE, but Robin will remain chair of the Mentoring Committee for ALDE nationally.

Gale Keegan, Director of Development, Lutheran Chaplaincy Service, Cleveland, has taken a new position with Lake County Humane Society as Executive Director and has resigned as Secretary of ORCA. After a brief campaign process, Mark J. Hill, VP of Development LSS of NW Ohio was nominated and elected as Secretary of ORCA.

The Sub-Committee for chapter relations with the Indiana and Michigan Chapter of ALDE invited dialogue regarding the advantages of meeting together more regularly as Chapters either once or twice a year with the potential of benefiting from a larger geographic area and higher potential for leadership among the greater numbers of members in the region. Phyllis Castens Wiederhoeft, Executive Director of ALDE suggested that other chapters have discovered that smaller geographic regions provide greater opportunity to develop mutually supportive relationships and those who travel from western Pennsylvania may find it even more difficult to join ORCA. The 2008 Chicago ALDE Conference will allow further opportunity to discuss these observations and explore future options.

Blessing and Adjournment by President Wiechert at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark J. Hill

ORCA Secretary

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