# The Voicing Tool

# June Meeting

The June Chapter meeting is Thursday, 11th at 7.pm, Jane Thronson's house, 124 S. Charles in Wichita. Directions: Douglas / Seneca, W > Charles, S ... on E side of street (park in the driveway)

TENTATIVE AGENDA: 1. Call To Order \_ welcome, introductions, & additions to the agenda (if any) 2. Minutes \_ May 14 meeting

The May meeting took place on Thursday, May 14th at the WSU piano tech shop. The second Thursday is the regular meeting time. There will be no chapter meeting in July. See you at national!

•Present at the meeting were: Ann Fell, RPT Ron Johnson, RPT Hannah Bartlett, visitor

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Synopsis

3. Officers' Reports

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Ron Hill, Associate Member Roy Howard, Associate Member Jane Thronson, Associate Member Joe Wisner, RPT J D. Hershberger, RPT Alan Crane, RPT

•Election of Chapter officers Joe Wisner -- President Alan Crane -- Vice-President David Norman -- Secretary Marty Hess -- Treasurer

# **Chapter Officers**

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Roy Howard -- Newsletter Editor

•Ron Hill welcomed as the Chapter's newest Associate Member.

•David Norman congratulated on receiving a PTG scholarship to attend the Annual Convention/ Institute in Grand Rapids, MI.

•The PTG Foundation offers up to three scholarships each year for Associates who have passed two RPT examinations and plan to take the third exam at the Annual Convention. Scholarship winners are awarded a convention registration and the exam fee. Applications must be received in the PTG Home Office no later than April I to be considered. Application forms may be downloaded from the PTG web site at www.ptg.org/ptgf)

•Further report on AT&T Yellow Pages advertising difficulties & negotiations...

•Roy Howard circulated a draft copy of his professional services directory for additions and/or corrections by those present. www.cantos.org/Piano/ specialty.html

•Next meeting: June 11th, at Jane Thronson's house, 124 S. Charles in Wichita.



#### PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE PTG BYLAWS



Please send your opinions about these changes to our delegate to national, Alan Crane. For a complete listing of proposed changes, see the Piano Technicians Journal Supplement May 2009, Vol. 52 No. 5. Bylaws Proposal 1: Disciplinary Code Changes. The Board recommends adoption of these "housekeeping" changes. The Bylaws Committee does not recommend adoption, as the "Code of Professional Conduct needs to be further rewritten.

Bylaws Proposal 2: Chapter Dues Distributions. The Board and the Committee agree that a minor change should be made so that the chapters "have time to reconcile dues payments in order to assure accurate payments". Bylaws Proposal 3: ETSC Regulations. The Board and the Committee agree to these minor changes in wording about the PTG Exam Fees "to clear up potential confusion in the language adopted in 2008".

Bylaws Proposal 4: Graphics Standards Manual. The Board and the Committee agree to these minor housekeeping changes made necessary by the introduction of additional RPT logo.

Bylaws Proposal 5: Volunteers, Resumes, and Advertising. The Board and Committee agree that past or present PTG and chapter officers may



#### PROPOSAL TO INCREASE DUES

The proposal to increase dues by \$20 (to \$325) is in response to decreased income. There are fewer membership renewals and attendance at the national convention is suffering. They suppose that it is due to changes in the economy. Additional membership incentives and discounts are also proposed. In past years the annual increase has been 3-4%.





list their service in their resumes, along with their terms of service.

Bylaws Proposal 6: Allied Piano Trades Membership Category. The Board and the Committee both do not recommend adoption, as it assigns some disciplinary actions to the chapters instead of the PTG Members Rights and Ethics Committees. They also disagree with the provision to reclassify violators to "Associate" without due process. The Board intends to continue working on guidelines for a future "Allied Piano Trades Member, Franchised" category or a "Rebuilders" category.

Bylaws Proposal 7: CAUT Endorsement. This proposal to add an optional endorsement to the RPT credential for College and University technicians (CAUT) is supported by the Board, but opposed by the Committee. The Board sees this as important precedence in setting frameworks for other possible endorsements. The Committee believes that this endorsement "be carefully beta tested before its eventual full implementation".

Bylaws Proposal 8: Logo Use in Marketing. The Board and Committee both recommend adoption of this proposal for use of the Home Office version of the RPT Logo by the Home Office.

The proposal also encourages members to use the Home Office logo "as a link to <u>www.ptg.org</u>. Such a link must be on a separate webpage solely dedicated to links."

Bylaws Proposal 9: Advertising Old Membership Classifications. The Board and Committee agree that members "may only reference current membership categories when advertising. There shall be no reference to old membership categories or past affiliation with the PTG once membership has lapsed"

Bylaws Proposal 10: Clarification in Graphic Standards Manual. "This proposal is an attempt to clear up confusion regarding the use of PTG logo since the elimination of the Associate logo". The Board recommends adoption. The Committee believes that the term "category description line" should be replaced with either "subscript" or "subscript description line".

Bylaws Proposal 11:Application Processing Procedures. The Board and the Committee agree that applicants should not be required to pay dues before they are approved as members, and that chapters should react in 30 days, not 130 days.

Bylaws Proposal 12: Criteria for Denying Applications. The Board and the Committee agree to a small change in one criteria for denying PTG new member applications from "falsification of information..." to "false, misleading, or incomplete information..." This change is in response to applications that don't give complete information about felony convictions.

# Calendar

#### June II, 2009

7pm, Chapter Meeting at Jane Thronson's with technical session

#### July 15-19, 2009

PTG Convention & Technical Institute, Grand Rapids, MI

#### August 13, 2009

7pm Chapter Meeting and technical session

#### September 10, 2009

7pm Chapter Meeting and technical session



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The Wichita Chapter will not hold a meeting in July.

Next meeting: August 13

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