Meeting called to order at 12:19pm

1. Welcome by outgoing Vice-President, Michael Lamkin
   ○ Eisenstadt Festival, run by Walter Reicher, might be coming to its end
   ○ the new owner of the Schloss Esterhazy is restricting entrance sadly

2. Approval of minutes from 2016 meeting

3. Old Business
   ○ Reports
     ■ Treasurer’s Report (Bruce M)
       ■ will be amended to the bottom
       ■ the 2016 pre-conference cost about $1900
         ■ this was offset slightly by the membership fo the journal
       ■ Bruce urges further contributions to the Travel Fund
       ■ the directors advise a strict, equitable budget for pre-conference in Boston, 2019
Secretary’s Report (Alex L)

- Elections
  - Stephen Fisher was newly elected Vice-President
  - Bruce MacIntyre was re-elected Treasurer
  - Bertil van Boer, Dean Sutcliffe and Mark Ferraguto were all re-elected as Directors-at-Large
  - A special note of thanks to the outgoing Vice-President, Michael Lamkin, on his many years of service to the Society

- Membership
  - the Society’s roster stands at 40 members
    - 17 Lifetime members and 23 New or Returning Members
      - 11 new members
    - multiple members are behind on dues, and Alex encourages all members to login to the Journal (rit.edu/Haydn) to ascertain your membership status

  ○ Issues with the website
    - Rebecca and Alex can hopefully make it more user friendly
    - It was agreed that Rebecca and Alex would move forward in establishing a website. Mark F. agreed later to assist if needed.

  ○ Issues with the Journal
    - Michael Ruhling:
      - the journal’s specifics are actually on the cutting edge, making a new home difficult
      - A&R Editions suggested Allen Press
      - RIT Press might disappear within a few years
        - Michael makes it clear that the people at the press are quite good, but the technical people are not helpful. Michael agreed
to follow up and search for a new publisher for the Journal. He has several leads to pursue. The membership discussed the need for this to be completed within the next few months, and specifically by the end of the coming year.

■ can we make the new journal open access? embargoed articles for a year

■ Michael Lamkin proposed a change regarding Journal articles. The board recommended, from their discussion this morning, that a one or two year embargo be the maximum that articles would not be available to the general public. Discussion followed. It was agreed that a one year embargo would be the policy. Michael made that as a motion, and a and Elaine Sisman seconds
  ■ passes unanimously

■ Michael Ruhling notes that we have an archive of all articles as a backup in case RIT does dissolve

■ Encouragement of younger scholars to join the society
  ■ Bruce and Alex implored the Society to seek out younger scholars to fill potential upcoming positions

4. New Business
  ○ Boston Pre-Conference 2019
    ■ Michael Ruhling says Handel & Haydn Society and Mozart Society both reached out
      ■ argues against concurrent sessions
      ■ Michael Lamkin asks for broadly conceived calls so that participation can be as broad as possible.
      ■ Rebecca, Alex, Stephen Fisher volunteered to start a local arrangements for such
Poundie reminds that the joint AMS/SMT conferences are important.

- **Publishing the Work in Progress in the AMS Program**
  - what should the deadline be for CfP?

5. **Guest Presentation of Work in Progress** (begun at 12:46pm)
   - Tom Mueller (Concordia University Irvine), “Towards the Recovery of Authentic Organ Continuo Practice in Haydn’s Concerted Sacred Music”

6. Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm

7. **Addition of Treasurer’s Report**