

## GKCAGO Officer Nominations 2019-20

### ***DEAN***



#### **Boyd Ahrens**

Boyd Ahrens has served the Greater Kansas City AGO chapter as the Registrar 2015-18, has been the Historian since 2013 and currently serves as sub-dean. He was the Director of Music at St. Luke's UCC in Independence for 17 years, and recently retired from there. He enjoys his work with the chapter and appreciates all of the wonderful people in the chapter. We need all of you!

### ***SUB-DEAN***



#### **Mike Maiden**

Mike Maiden enjoys and has been active with music for many years. He studied organ in a graduate student teaching program at Drake University as a young adult and has occasionally substituted for Sunday services. But these days he does much better as a spectator than a performer. He holds an MBA from UMKC and currently works as a Systems Analyst for Great-West Financial Services. He is serving the GKCAGO chapter as Communications committee chair and served as chapter dean in 2016-17. He served on the 2018 National Convention steering committee as chair of the Technology committee. He loves the pipe organ and music for it and he is excited to

be able to work more with the many talented people in the GKCAGO chapter.

### ***SECRETARY***



#### **MacKenzie Reed**

MacKenzie Reed (Ohio Wesleyan University, B.M., California Institute of the Arts, M.F.A.) is an organist, pianist, singer, composer, and performing artist. She started her career as a church organist at age 16, which she continues to this day. Most notably, she was the Music-in-Worship organist at the National American Choral Directors Association National Convention in Minneapolis, MN in 2017, the American Church in London, and the organist for Bruce Caviness's honorary service at National Methodist Church in Washington, D.C. MacKenzie is currently Principal Organist at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Westport and is also a founding member of the Committee on the New Organist Panel of Advisors. MacKenzie is a former Charlotte Street resident and a current member of the American Guild of Organists, the American Choral Directors Association, and Mu Phi Epsilon. She is featured as a Listen Local artist for the Johnson County Public Library. She currently lives in Kansas City with her husband, composer Jason Cole.

### ***TREASURER***



#### **Marjorie O'Konski**

Marjorie O'Konski earned the AGO Service Playing Certification; and holds Master's degrees in Piano Performance and Music Therapy. She gained financial experience through her roles as owner of Sunflower Music Services, Music Therapy Program Director for Wartburg College, Activity Director for Lexington Park Nursing Facility, and most recently Traditional Music Program Director for Pleasant Hill United Methodist church. Marjorie appreciates the opportunity she has had this past year to serve as Treasurer for the Greater Kansas City Chapter of the AGO.

## **REGISTRAR**



### **Dan Madura**

Dan Madura is a graduate of Purdue University where he majored in theatrical lighting design. He has designed lighting for Interlochen Center for the Arts, Northwest Asian American Theater, Lafayette Civic Theater, Seattle Civic Light Opera, Olympic Ballet Theater, Cincinnati Ballet Company, Whitewater Opera Company and many others. He was the resident lighting designer for the Seattle Pacific University Theater Department as well as an adjunct professor. He transitioned these talents and bridged over to working for DTC Stage & Studio Supply consulting and selling theatrical and television installations in their Seattle and San Francisco markets as Director of Sales and Marketing. After moving to Kansas City, he furthered his retail scope and is now General Manager of Bed, Bath & Beyond in Olathe, KS. Still longing for an artistic outlet, Dan was very intrigued with the organ at church. This led him to be the lead vocal liturgical cantor at King of Kings Lutheran Church and is currently a member of their choir. He is also on their board of directors as treasurer. Because of Dan's love of the organ, he found out the AGO was looking for a housing director for their 2018 convention. Thanks to Dan Brown and Lynn Bratney, he was honored to work with a very talented group of people. After a very successful convention, he joined the board of directors of the Kansas City chapter of the AGO as registrar. Dan's only regret? He should have kept up with those darn piano lessons!

## **AUDITOR**

vote for one; two year term



### **Kelly Ker Hackleman**

Kelly Ker Hackleman earned the degrees of B.M., M.M. and D.M.A., all in Piano Performance, from the Cincinnati Conservatory, New England Conservatory, and the University of Memphis, respectively. Kelly was organist at Kirkwood Presbyterian Church in Springfield, VA for 9 years where she also served as Artistic Director for Concerts from Kirkwood. Her composition, "In This House," a choral anthem, was premiered by the Kirkwood Presbyterian Church Choir in 2006 upon the dedication of their newly renovated sanctuary. She is presently serving as Minister of Music at Grand Avenue Temple UMC in Kansas City, MO (where she is also Office Administrator) and as organist/pianist at Gashland Presbyterian Church in Gladstone, MO.



### **Ray Smith**

Ray Smith, CAGO, currently serves on the Investment Advisory Committee and served as the Nominating Committee Chair for the chapter, and served as the Facilities Chair for the 2018 AGO National Convention. Ray has served as a church organist for almost 40 years and is currently the organist at Colonial Presbyterian church in Kansas City, MO. Ray is a licensed CPA who has worked full-time for non-profit organizations for over 25 years, which will come in handy for auditing the chapter's financial records.

***AT LARGE MEMBERS/LONG RANGE PLANNING***

vote for two; three year term



**John Braum**

John Braum holds music degrees from the University of Kansas and from Wichita State University. Before retirement, John was orchestra director and music curriculum specialist for the Shawnee Mission School District in suburban Kansas City. John was the Hospitality Chair for the 2018 KC AGO Convention. Serving on the steering committee was one of the most rewarding experiences a musician can experience. He looks forward to working with others to be involved in long-range planning for GKCAGO.



**Rosi Penner Kaufman**

Rosi Penner Kaufman has been a member of various chapters of the AGO for nearly 40 years, serving on many different committees and in various roles, including Dean and as Chair of the 2018 Convention Program Committee. She appreciates the collegiality and dedication of the local GKCAGO, and hopes to support the creativity and vision of the chapter through the long-range planning committee.