

Palo Alto – Mountain View Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society

Minutes of the Board of Directors' Monthly Meeting, 10:00AM on February 5, 2011
at Dave Kocharhook's Office, 4320 Steven's Creek Blvd, Suite 171, San Jose, CA

Attendance:

President Dave Kocharhook, Marketing Vice President John Heather, Treasurer Dave Morley, Member-at-large Paul Eastman, Music Vice President Terry Moore, Secretary Ian Marshall, Chapter Development Vice President John Hinkle, Program Vice President Gary Miller

The meeting was called to order by the President at 10:01AM.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the previous two meetings (the regular meeting and the planning meeting) on December 11, 2010 were approved.

Reports

Treasury Report

Two reports covering December and January were submitted.

Music Report

The report was submitted, and concerns were raised that the chorus is currently learning music that is more difficult than it has learnt in the past.

Chapter Development Report

The report was presented.

Program Report

In addition to the contents of the report, there are tentative plans to have another all-day Saturday rehearsal sometime before the June show.

Youth in Harmony Report

The Youth in Harmony (YIH) Report was submitted. This will be the last YIH report, as it is not an official board position. Nominating committee is investigating options to replace Jordan Makower as YIH committee chair.

All reports were accepted unanimously.

Old Business

Vision and Mission Statement

Dave Kocharhook presented his revised vision and mission statement based on input from the board and all chapter membership. The revised vision and mission statement will be uploaded to the website by Dave K. The board accepted the revised mission and vision statement unanimously.

New Risers

There was a plan to use the risers belonging to the church in which we rehearse in addition to several extra riser segments that we purchase, but this plan will not be carried out as our current risers have been repaired effectively enough for our current needs. Searching for second-hand risers for our current riser set may be another option, but for the time being our current riser set suffices.

Replacement for Youth in Harmony Coordinator

The Nomination Committee is working on this.

Valentine's Day Singing Update

We have 22 orders as of today plus one in South San Francisco. Dave understands that another seven will be ordered soon. This is on track for last year's number (50 deliveries), but this is less than previous years. Sales training from sales-trained chapter members for Valentines, show tickets, and memberships was suggested for future meetings.

New Business

Change of Rehearsal Time

A motion was made to change the chapter meeting time to 7:30 - 10:15 from 7:30 - 10:30. The earlier proposal of 7:15 - 10:00 was discussed but concerns were raised about latecomer issues being worsened. This is the considered the first step of a possible 2-step process: 1) shorten meeting 2) change meeting start time. The proposal to take the first step was accepted. The motion was passed unanimously.

June USO Show Report

A revised show budget was submitted. Profits will be split – 30%-30%-40% between the Palo Alto Mountain View Chapter, the Mission Valley Chorus, and the USO respectively. Losses will be split between Palo Alto Mountain View Chapter and Mission Valley Chorus. Since multiple entities are involved in the promotion of the event, the post office authorization is complicated, which has delayed the mailing to Peninsulaires database, retirement communities, VFW posts, American Legion, Kiwanis, etc. Official Ticket Chairman is Mike Irvin. A concern was raised about the quality of the sound system at Spangenberg auditorium - Dave Kocharhook will investigate this.

Timing and Format for Guest Night

Guest Nights will be modeled on a Colorado "voice lesson series" system featured in the "Harmonizer". Tuesday, March 22 will be the first date for this program. The number of sessions in the program remains undetermined.

Destroying old records

Dave Morley mentioned that he had some old records, including check stubs etc., from ten years ago. These need no longer be kept.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03PM