

Minutes October 1, 2016

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Palo Alto - Mountain View Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society

Minutes of the Board of Directors' Monthly Meeting, 10:00 AM on October 1, 2016, at John Hinkle's office, 2007 West Hedding St., San Jose, CA.

Attendance:

President John Hinkle, Secretary Bill Faught, Treasurer Dave Morley, VP Music Terry Moore, VP Marketing Jeff Harris, VP Program John Wanless, Past President Dave Kocharhook, Member-at-Large Nigel Endersby, Director Sean Abel.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 10:00 AM.

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the previous board meeting on September 10, 2016, and the General Meeting on September 29, 2016, were approved without change.

Reports

Treasurer's Report

Not much change from the previous month. Over \$1000 has been collected in donations from the members this month.

Music VP Report

Christmas music will be practiced at rehearsals after the Cabaret Show.

Chapter Development VP Report

No report. In response to a message from Jerry Wong:

- a. We will set the time for the 2017 Vocal Clinic later in the year, after checking with Paul Eastman's availability.
- b. The Summer Church Singing proposal will be dealt with later, perhaps at the annual planning meeting in December or January.

There was also a discussion about charging for the Vocal Clinic, to be dealt with at the annual planning meeting.

Marketing VP Report

No report. Tickets for Cabaret can now be ordered on-line. There was a discussion about how to provide something in hardcopy like a ticket or a ticket-promotion card.

Program Report

No discussion.

The reports were accepted by a unanimous vote.

Old Business

2016 Cabaret Show

Tickets can be purchased. We will start promoting the show to the members.

2017 Spring Show 2017

Addison Snell has signed up as show chairman. PDQ is not available to be the headliner quartet.

2016 Fall Contest

There was an extensive discussion of a possible rehearsal on Friday in Riverside, the day before the chorus contests. Sean intends to do a 3pm rehearsal on Friday. Terry will get a room and inform the chorus.

Finances thru 2017

The committee that was studying this issue has no action to report at this time.

Next year's VPs should produce budgets for the November meeting so that the Treasurer can make a chapter budget.

The board decided to let the bulk postal mailing permit expire (approximately \$170 annual fee).

New Business

Board meetings at rehearsals

In the past few years, there have been several "quickie" board meetings during chapter meetings, usually to vote on accepting specific new members. These meetings were typically stand-up, with little discussion of the issues. Some board members have objected to these meetings.

After a long discussion, the board consensus was to try to avoid such meetings, and instead schedule sit-down meetings either before or after the chapter rehearsal time.

Another issue that surfaced was that it is not a 3-week period between a prospective new member signing an application and when he is accepted. Instead it is a 3-week period plus whatever time elapses before the board next meets. This issue was not resolved.

Grant Writing

Dave Kocharhook, with some advice from a grant writer, is submitting a proposal to a group that funds efforts of non-profits to establish donors and sponsors. We may know within weeks if it has been accepted. The Grant team has also identified a consultant to work with.

Dave Morley has access to a program which lists granting institutions.

New Chapter Member

A motion was made to approve Blaise Gassend as a member of the PAMV chapter as he had met the requirements of meeting attendance and passing his audition.

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Performance Coach

A motion was made and passed to pay Gayle Greenbrook \$200 for coaching she has provided over the past several weeks.

Vice President of Membership/Development

John Hinkle will pursue an interim appointment of Addison Snell as VP of Membership/Development for the remainder of the year.

Barbershopper of the Quarter

The board selected a chapter member as the Barbershopper of the Quarter.

Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting was not scheduled.

The meeting adjourned at 11:43pm with the good of the chapter.
