Minutes of the Sept. 2, 2017 Palo Alto-Mountain View Chapter Board of Directors Meeting

Approved minutes

**CALL TO ORDER**

10:04 Meeting called to order with Jim Sherman, John Hinkle, Dave Morley, [David Kocharhook](https://members.barbershop.org/members/view/7fa642d1-348e-4781-8e20-864a72fb3fdc), Mark Tabry, John Wanless, and Jeff Harris in attendance, with Sean Abel, Bert Laurence, Larry Valencia present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of August 2017 Board Minutes as presented were unanimously approved on a motion by Kocharhook, seconded by Hinkle.

**BOARD REPORTS**

The Treasurers report was noted. There have been more expenses since the report was generated. Voluntary Individual Member Donations have raised $2040 to date. This amount does not include Google Matching Funds nor Harmony Foundation Donations.

The Music Report was noted. The Society’s new [BarberScore](https://github.com/barberscore/barberscore-web) system, which is used by chapters to register for contest, requires proof of copyright clearance of the songs to be performed. Palo Alto-Mountain View’s contest songs have been submitted and accepted for contest.

No Chapter Development Report was presented. Sherman noted that we now have 6 lapsed members, only 1 of which is an active member. Sherman also noted that the new [Members Center](https://members.barbershop.org/), as a replacement of eBiz, is not complete in membership. It does not show our newest members, and shows 53 active members and 48 former members.

No Marketing Report was presented. All activity has been for Cabaret.

Program Report was not submitted.

VP Reports were unanimously approved on a motion by Morley, seconded by Hinkle.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**VOLUNTARY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER DONATIONS**

Voluntary Individual Member Donations will be mentioned at the next chapter meeting. 23 members have participated in the Voluntary Individual Member Donations.

**RISER PROJECT**

The Church and Peninsulaires are working together with the City to ensure enough parking spaces will remain available after our storage unit is placed at the church.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The vacancy at the At-Large position has been accepted by Larry Valencia, and was unanimously approved on motion by Morley, seconded by Tabry.

**2017 CABARET SHOW**

Tickets will be ordered as soon as we have a signed offer letter from Turbulence at the same price as last year.

70 tickets have been promised to patrons from the Riser Project Fundraiser. The value of the promotional tickets will be recuperated from any Riser Project Fundraiser leftover funds.

A challenge this year is the kitchen. Past kitchen chiefs are not available for this year’s cabaret. John Jones was listed as a resource for kitchen chief.

Bert Laurence has been given approval to try various discount programs at Assisted Living Facilities.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Kocharhook, Morley, and Sherman will present the slate to the chapter on September 14. Nominations from the floor to be September 21, and 2018 elections to be September 28.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SANTA TRAIN**

The Board and Music Team give approval to a Peninsulaires performance at the Santa Train at Mountain View on December 2, 2017.

**PORTABLE SOUND SYSTEM**

The music team presented a need for a portable sound system for choral reinforcement at outside performances. The Mackie FreePlay has been identified as a sound system that meets the needs of Music Team. Music Team has been asked to prepare both a budget item, and to arrange for a tryout of the system during a regular chapter meeting.

**NEW SOCIETY MEMBER CENTER**

The Society’s new [Member Center](https://members.barbershop.org/) replaces the ebiz member center. Members are encouraged to visit the new Member Center and to make comments to the Society.

**NEW CHAPTER LIBRARIAN**

The Music Team will prepare a plaque for retiring chapter Librarian Dave Weatherford. Bert Laurence and Scott Anderson will be assuming the role of Librarian.

**MEETUP**

Mark Tabry suggested a Meetup group to find more potential members. He will start a group and search for potential members for next year.

**DOING BETTER**

A question was presented from the floor asking how we could advertise at our public events better. An answer was presented that stated a past practice was that the chorus had custodians of equipment, who was responsible for transporting the equipment to its needed location. VP Marketing will make sure current marketing equipment has a custodian and will prepare tri-fold brochures for the chorus.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

October 6, 2017.

**GOOD OF THE CHAPTER**

**ADJOURNMENT** at 11:29 am

Respectfully submitted

Jeff Harris,
VP Marketing/Public Relations
Single-day Deputy Secretary