

Minutes August 17, 2013

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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 August 17, 2013 at John Hinkle's office, 2007 West Hedding St., San Jose, CA.

Attendance:

President Dave Kocharhook, Secretary Bill Fought, Treasurer Dave Morley, Music VP Terry Moore, Marketing VP Nigel Endersby, Member-at-Large Jim Sherman, Chapter Member Jim Turner, Program VP Bert Laurence, Member-at-Large Jeff Harris, Director Steve Sammonds.

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

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the previous two board meetings on July 13 and July 23, 2013, were approved without change.

Reports

Treasurer's Report

We received a check for approximately \$915 returning our deposit (less seat fees) for the Spring 2013 show. The budget (compared to last year) is looking good. As a detail, the Cabaret show expense includes the annual ASCAP fee.

Music VP Report

No report. There was concern about the availability of directors in October and November. The Music committee discussed this in detail at their recent meeting and assured the board that the chorus would have directors.

Chapter Development VP Report

The Singer's Clinic is slated to start September 10 and go for 6 weeks. We currently have 28 signed up, including 13 women. All attendees will be encouraged to invite male friends and spouses to visit our chapter as guests.

Marketing VP Report

Report submitted with no discussion.

Program VP Report

Refreshments are on a path towards simplification.

The Holiday Chorus singout schedule was discussed. The goal is to limit it to 4 or 5 singouts with maximum exposure to new potential recruits.

A discussion of possible substitute directors for October and November led to a new discussion topic for future board meetings: How to have a smooth succession of directors if one is needed.

A motion to accept the reports was approved without dissent.

Old Business

Heather Website - The current website that John Heather has put together has a good collection of the data that needs to be provided. However, there are lots of differing opinions about what a good contemporary website looks like and how best to host it. Nigel volunteered to gather input to focus this effort.

Cabaret 2013 Update – Jim Turner provided an update and a budget for the show. Ticket prices are being set with an early-bird cutoff of October 15. The menu for the evening show is lasagna, salad, bread, etc. There will not be a raffle. The board suggested that Jim have a committee of captains to help delegate the work.

New Business

Dan Heckerman – Dan told his section leader that he has no intention of learning the repertoire. He is also 60 days past due on membership dues. The board passed a motion to instruct the national Society office that if he renews, our chapter will not accept his membership renewal in our chapter.

Wednesday Nights at Church Hall – The church hall that we now have Tuesday night chapter meetings in is also available Wednesday nights. There was a discussion about whether moving our chapter meeting night could be beneficial in that it would not conflict with Voices in Harmony. The topic was referred to Steve S and others to investigate and report back to the board with advantages and disadvantages.

Guest Directors – Discussion postponed.

Spring Show 2014 Update – The Spring Show will be Sunday, April 27, 2014. We are looking for a show chairman.

The meeting was adjourned with the Good of the Chapter at 11:40.