

Minutes September 7, 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 September 7, 2013 at John Hinkle's office, 2007 West Hedding St., San Jose, CA.

**Attendance:**

President Dave Kocharhook, Secretary Bill Faught, Treasurer Dave Morley, Member-at-Large Jim Sherman, Program VP Bert Laurence, Member-at-Large Jeff Harris.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 10:05 AM.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes from the previous board meeting on August 17, 2013, were approved without change.

**Reports**

**Treasurer's Report**

We received a check for \$300 for the Ardenwood singout. There was a discussion about keeping the music fees up to date. Our financial situation looks better than last year.

**Music VP Report**

There was a long discussion about a coaching search to invite local coaches and directors so we can get outside input on our singing.

**Chapter Development VP Report**

There was discussion of a mentoring program for newer members. Bert will look into organizing it.

**Marketing VP Report**

Report submitted with no discussion.

**Program VP Report**

Bert is enjoying running the meetings and helping to get the chorus energized during warmups.

A motion to accept the reports was approved without dissent.

**Old Business**

**Report on Dan Heckerman action** - A letter was sent to the national organization requesting that if Dan renews his society membership, he will not be renewed in our chapter.

**Cabaret 2013 Update** – First Strike, a quarter of college-age guys from VIH, is signed up to be the headliner. The board suggested that a placemat be used instead of a program, and that the placemat could contain advertising in addition to a cast list.

**Guest Director** – This was covered in the Music VP report.

**Change of Rehearsal Day** – After a lengthy discussion the consensus was that there is not a reason to change rehearsal day at this time.

**Spring Show update** – The quartet Artistic License has been signed up to be the headliner.

**Holiday Chorus Performance Options** – We will limit our singouts to four performances for the entire chorus. If we get requests for senior living locations, we will fill them with quartets and VLQs.

**Officer Elections for 2014** – The nominating committee is at work and has only 1 or 2 nominations yet to fill.

### **New Business**

**New Member Vote** – A motion to accept Ed Warner into the chapter was passed unanimously.

**Plan for Website Update** – Nigel is making progress in this. Dave K did some background research into other chorus/performing arts websites. It was suggested that those with strong opinions work with Nigel directly.

**Document for New Members** – Dave K and Jeff discussed the document that Jeff put together. Bert and Jeff will work on it next.

The meeting was adjourned with the Good of the Chapter at 11:35.