

Kansas City, MO Chapter
of the Barbershop Harmony Society
Minutes for July 13, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Location: St Thomas Mores Church

118th & Holmes, Kansas City, MO 64131

Scheduled start time: 6:00PM

Board Members:

Present: Doug Brott, , Kent Miller, Carl Turlin, , David Miller, Vince Perry, Harvey Shapiro, Tony Strub, Bob Murphy, John Erwine, Rich Huyck, Brad Dawdy, and Kent McClean

Absent: David Miller, Chuck Ames, and Mike Schumacher

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present: none

Proceedings:

1. *Meeting called to order* at 6:03 p.m. by President, Doug Brott.

-The meeting agenda was reviewed and approved

2. *May 2009 meeting minutes with Online minutes* (attached) were reviewed and approved as submitted.

3. *Finance report (attached)* provided by Treasurer, Harvey Shapiro:

- As of 06/30/2009 the Operating/Social fund was \$7895.94 & Restricted Fund was \$9050.32

-Shapiro reported that he has finalized two accounts: Spring Show income was \$7334.33 and the Afterglow lost \$650.50. The Golf Tournament account is open pending review by Event Coordinator Kent Miller.

-Bd Member Emeritus Dale Neuman informed the Board by email that the HOA Hokanson Endowment Account is kept out of town and that David Hokanson (and possibly Dick Korek) is the only account administrator. President Brott asked Kent Miller to contact David Hokanson and find out the particulars of the account and whether it is possible and/or advantageous to combine this account with the new HOA Truman Foundation Endowment.

MOTION to accept financial report as submitted; seconded and passed.

4. Vice Presidents' Reports

A. *Marketing/Public Relations report* (attached) by Vice President, Brad Dawdy:

- Dawdy would like to see other chapter's involvement in marketing of the 2010 Harmony Festival.

-*Pitch, STAR & the Sun* had the Festival on their activity calendars but none ran the provided press releases.

-HOA's next event to promote is Music in the Park, August 16, 2009.

B. *No Operations report* provided by Vice President, David Miller.

C. Music & Performance report by Vice President Kent McClean:

- McClearn announced that new member, baritone, Jonathan Andrews is now a member of the Music Committee.
- Quartets have been identified for the Music in the Park concert and the music team would like to limit the chorus part of the performance to thirty minutes.
- Costuming for the district chorus contest is underway with Carter Combs as committee chair.
- The Music Team would like to have more coaching before district contest and urges the Board to allocate funds.
- McClearn also announced this was his last board meeting as he had submitted his resignation to President Brott. (He is relocating to Florida where he can pursue his retirement hobbies year-round.)

D. Program report (attached) by Vice President Carl Turlin:

- Introduction of guests was moved to before warm-ups and seems to be working well.
- Recent activities include Director Emeritus teaching the new Anaheim tag plus "Please Don't Cry Little Girl" tag, Tone-Henge sang two songs, and five guys volunteered to sing a new tag. Past director Dan Bowser has agreed to direct "The Old Songs" each week.
- The InTune focus was on Singing For Life program and the Harmony Festival 2009.
- Singing For Life (HOA supporting the community blood center drive through song) was held on May 16, 2009 with twenty-three singers performing for thirty-five minutes with Jerry Garrard as director. The Music Team has requested that this activity be a quartet activity next year with the Board agreeing.
- The venue of the 2010 Installation/Awards Banquet on January 9, 2010 will be in the Overland Park Room (not the ballroom) at the Doubletree of Overland Park.
- A Back to School Barbershop Night (guest night for area youth) in August will soon be in the planning stages with John Erwine and Tony Strub.
- Turlin reported he is currently looking for someone to edit and produce the InTune so he will have more time to plan various program activities.

E. Membership report (attached) by Vice President John Erwine:

- Max Fillmore marked HOA's 6th new member this year. Scott Haines and Ben Dawson have visited and are interested.
- Membership numbers over the past three years seem to be on the rebound: End of year: 2007= 149 members, 2008= 139, so far this year July09=142.

5. Old Business:

A. Revise 2009 Budget- proposal (attached) presented by Executive VP Kent Miller:

- The proposal created through an executive committee meeting was needed because 2009 revenue through the first two quarters has been significantly less than anticipated. The proposal deleted approximately twenty-two thousand dollars of 2009 income while eliminating approximately \$18,000 in 2009 anticipated expenses.
- MOTION to accept the revised 2009 Budget as presented with modifications; seconded and passed.

B. *Grants and Fundraising Projects* report -Update presented by Executive VP Kent Miller:

- HOA received a grant for Harmony Explosion from the Arts Council of Metropolitan Kansas City for \$2175. This was 54% of the applied for amount of \$4047. Miller reported that we are presently waiting for a letter from the Council explaining the specifics of the grant.

-At present there are no other grants in the works.

-There was no report from the Fundraising Committee. President Brott urged the committee to meet and follow through by creating ideas to create more revenue for the chapter. The committee includes: Carl Turlin, Tony Strub, John Erwine, Mike Schumacher, David Stockard, Kent Miller, and Brad Dawdy.

C. *New Rehearsal Site Search* report by President Doug Brott:

-The Union Hall in Riverside was not suitable reported Rich Huyck.

-St Thomas Mores Church would not be suitable because it would be too easy for HOA to be bumped on any given Tuesday night reported Carl Turlin.

-St. Catherine's School was visited and did not have sufficient space.

-Grandview High School is a possible and will be checked soon.

-President Brott will check with St. Peters (current meeting place) about negotiating our contract to help ease the current financial bind experienced by the chapter.

D. *America Harmony Movie*: report by Executive Vice-President Kent Miller:

-Presently HOA is checking with other area chapters to see how many tickets they will pledge to sell. Leavenworth has committed to selling 200.

-The total will then be submitted to International.

6. New Business:

A. *Music & Performance Vice-President's Resignation Letter (attached)*

-*MOTION* to accept the resignation of Kent McClean from the Board of Directors effective July 13, 2009, seconded and passed.

B. *Music & Performance Vice-President's Vacancy* introduced by President Brott:

-*MOTION* to fill the remaining 2009 term for the Music & Performance Vice-President by Mark Fortino, seconded and passed.

C. *Truman Foundation Endowment Investment Guidelines* by Executive VP Kent Miller:

-In order for the Truman Foundation to manage the HOA Endowment the following guidelines were established by the HOA Board:

MOTION to set the annual distribution rate from accumulated funds to 5%, seconded, and passed.

MOTION to set how the funds are to be invested to 30% fixed (Money Market) and 70% Equity (stocks), seconded and passed.

D. *Chorus Performance Coordinator* discussion led by President Brott:

-Chorus Manager Vince Perry indicated that solicitation of chorus performances has been done by the Marketing Vice-President. When the deal is made the Marketing Vice-President's job is complete when he turns the HOA functionality over to the Chorus Manager for contracting and actual show performance coordination.

-The Board agreed that the Marketing Vice-President shall continue to be the Chorus Performance Coordinator/Solicitor.

E. *Truman Foundation Annual Event Performance* - by EVP Kent Miller:

-Miller reported that the 10 to 12 minute performance for the black-tie gala event which was to be done by a Very Large Quartet is now a performance for the whole chorus. It will be on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at the Muehlbach Hotel.

F. *Membership Video* by Membership Vice-President John Erwine:

-Erwine reported that he is working on finding someone, maybe through a local college, who will be available to produce the video.

7. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

· Minutes submitted by Secretary, Vince Perry.

-Executive Session followed to discuss Barbershopper of the Month & Extra Mile Award(s)

Addendum #1: Special Online Board Meeting initiated by President Brott on 07/22/2009

MOTION to become a member of the Kansas City Convention And Visitors Association by trading ten Singing Valentine's valued at \$50 each in lieu of the \$500 cash Level 2 membership dues; seconded and passed online 07/23/2009

Attachment to Addendum#1

Thank you for your attention to this. Kent Miller made the motion and it was seconded by Carl Turlin. By unanimous vote of the HOA Board, the motion has passed. I appreciate your help.

Doug Brott

From: Doug Brott <cdbhdad@yahoo.com>

To: HOA Board <hoabd@yahoogroups.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 10:19:45 AM

Subject: [hoabd] Bd Member Vote Needed [1 Attachment]

Included is a copy of a Kansas City Convention and Visitors Association Trade Agreement form. With this, we become a member of the KCC&VA for the next year. Our payment in lieu of the normal \$500.00 is 10 comp Singing Valentines that we normally do anyway. I have spoken with Mike Mathieu about this and he feels it is very important for us to be a member with the upcoming Fall CSD Conventions in KC in 2011 and 2013 and the International Convention in 2011 with work to be done on that starting within the time period of this agreement.

Please review this document and let me know if you have any questions. If someone is willing to make a motion to accept this agreement, someone second it, and we all vote via e-mail, we can get this taken care of, one way or the other.

Thank you for your attention.

Doug Brott

Please note: I am aware of the typo in the date of the Terms of Agreement section. I will correct the date when I sign the form.

(Note: Trade Agreement is attached to secretary's copy of the official minutes.)