Minutes Kansas City Chapter HOA Board Meeting April 9/ 2018

Present: Barry Sanders, Charles Ramirez, Jim Porter, Mike Schumacher, John Braden, Steve Keisker, Bob Murphy, Jim Davis, Harvey Shapiro, Carter Combs;, Don Fuson (by phone contact). Absent Jerry Meier Guests: None

- 1. Meeting opened by Barry Sanders at 1805
- 2. Minutes of March meting reviewed. Motion to approve John Braden, second Steve Keisker. Minutes approved
- 3. Treasurers report: Jim Porter presented report, Attached)
 - a. Income for month is \$ as budgeted 130.00
 - b. Expenses for Month \$2641.49, budgeted \$2137, shortfall of \$504.49
 - c. Income year to date is \$4941.79, budgeted is \$10515, short fall of \$5573.21
 - d. Receipts through 4/7 are \$7169.11 including \$3068.06 insurance recovery from stolen sound equipment and donations for 2017 harmony foundation of \$2764.
 - e. Disbursements through 4/7 are \$3653.14 include 2690 disbursement to Meuhlebach Hotel for 80th anniversary expenses
 - f. Checking account balance is 6962.83
 - g. Anticipated expense for bartender at Meuleibach Hotel for April 11 activities is under negotiations
 - h. Negotiations underway with Don Kahl related to his participation with the RRR4 for the April 11 activities
 - i. Question raised as to chapter paying for member lunches at the April 7 retreat. Response by Barry Sanders was that he as President and Jim Porter as Treasurer had made decision to pay for lunches.
 - j. Don Fuson noted tha term "For Audit" should be replaced by "for year end review". Notation accepted.
 - k. Valentine candy receipts are \$145. Motion by Jim Porter to donate those receipts to Children's mercy Hospital as has been done in past. Second Bob Murphy. Motion passed

VP Reports (Reports are attached)

- 1. Marketing: Don Fuson reported he had prepared a letter to be sent to 70 recipients with ad concerning ticket sales for our annual show.
 - a) have received no direct replies to the letters to various activities directors on behalf of the June 16 show tickets
 - b) I plan to begin calling each of the activities directors, starting with the nearby Olathe locations, and gather individual names an d email contacts for the future.
 - c) In the calls, in addition to the June 16 show, I will be asking about the "advance timing" for any potential resident outings, and also what their various entertainment schedules might afford us to support, or be engaged in. Will mention our Holiday show on Saturday, Dec 1st and confirm time/interest later.
 - d) Have forwarded our latest show flyer to the Bell Center PR contact (attached in adjusted format) and he said it will be included in the "slide show" on campus.
 - e) Need to identify if/when we will begin to accumulate sponsors for the June 16th show and get any ad copy/logos.

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- f) Need to arrange to print some show programs (estimate 250 max each show?) at cheapest approach (B&W and maybe only 4 or 8 pages on legal paper folded 5.5 x 8 inches) need to confirm what is expected on the afterglow (in Bell Center lobby after evening show?)
- 2. Membership.: Barry Sanders presented for Jerry Meier.
 - a. Don Ferguson id potential new member
 - b. We have 93 current chapter members with six over due fee payment members
 - c. Two new members added; Adam Singleton and Tom Hadley
 - d. Five members have dropped
 - e. Harmoney Explosion scheduled for 16Feb19 at Olathe East High School. May change due to their final school schedule
 - f. Four more guest nights are scheduled
 - g. Dues structure for coming year noted. Slight rise in most dues. Noted that dropped membership is probably not fro dues structure but rather to lack of involvement in chapter activities..
- 3. Music: John Braden presented
 - a. Current riser lineup is being reviewed
 - b. Thanks to ArmChair Chorderbacks for representing chapter at BHD resolution signing by the mayor.
 - c. Fall coaching: Kevin Keller is unavailable in September for coaching session. Is to contact Andrew Rembecki and Gene Spiker as coaches.
 - d. Possible performance at Plaza Library in May is to be rescheduled for later date to allow library to promote to its' customers
 - e. Blue Springs Fall Festival: Team felt that this performance didn't generate enough benefit to chorus to continue participation. Chapter member are encouraged to look for similar venues for consideration
 - f. Closet cleanout: Noted the closet at current meeting venue is full and material need to be transferred to our new facility. There is too much to transport and so some clean out is needed. There are many items such as cork boards, tripods, old banners which need sorting and pitching and riser parts which could be stored in trailer. Don Fuson volunteered he could store DVD player ad LCD projector and screen
 - g. Annual Show
 - i. Bob Velazquez reports that Jonathan Andrews will be stage manager
 - ii. A Merry Mugs tribute has been set.
 - iii. Emcees: Include Keith Schweer, Jim Bagby, Jerry Meier, Ted Simon
 - h. Qualifying: Team discussed setting minimum attendance requirements in order to sing in June show
 - i. Uniform: Team discussed use of some sort of sparkly material attached to tux lapels. Material to be attached by select group rather than have chorus member have to do own application.
 - j. Ambassadors of Harmony chorus has former uniforms no longer using which HOA could buy. Will look at items during CSD convention in St Charles in October.

Old Business

- 1. New venue search: John Braden presented for committee
 - a. Committee met first in December 2017 and has considered more than 30 locations
 - b. 3April18, team visited Notre Dame de Sion, Red Bridge first Baptist Church and Center High School. Notre Dame was eliminated due to storage and rehearsal usage space
 - c. Choice is Center High School
 - i. Cost \$50 per night
 - ii. Choral room has steeped riser so we wouldn't have to use risers
 - iii. We could set up risers as need in auditorium
 - iv. We have use of one or two other rooms
 - v. Will need to trailer storage at off site facility at \$38 per month
 - vi. Yearly cost estimated \$3056 vs current of \$5200
 - d. Second choice is Red Bridge Baptist Church
 - i. Cost \$100 per night
 - ii. Need to work around janitor clean up of nursery
 - iii. With modification, adequate storage space
 - iv. Estimated yearly cost is \$5200
 - e. If decision made to move, HOA Board need to sep up negotiating team or representative which team will advise
 - f. John Braden will compile list of questions for negotiating team. Questions raised for consideration by John
 - i. access on snow days, federal holidays, etc?
 - ii. does access change during summer schedule / other school breaks?
 - iii. door-lock policy / access for late-comers?
 - iv. limited to which rooms / area of the school?
 - v. ok to bring in occasional snacks? (guest nights, etc)
 - vi. available for alternate rehearsals days? (e.g. coaching Saturdays, etc)
 - vii. theatre available for us to do paid performance? (e.g. annual or holiday show?) if so, what are the rules/restrictions?
 - viii. pay per actual use, or flat \$200 / month
 - g. Moving day will need to be set and HOA Board need to write formal notice of vacating present location (Coptic Church) to their board
 - h. Questions raised during discussion by board

Motion by Bob Murphy, second by Carter Combs "Move to accept recommendation from search committee to initiate negotiations with Center High School to use their facilities for HOA rehearsal use" Motion passé unanimously.

- 2. Negotiation Team
 - a. Board nominated Vince Perry 3, Don Fuson and John Erwin to be negotiating team. They will choose their own lead negotiator.
 - b. Team will need copy of insurance coverage for new venue
 - c. They will set up schedule for moving and cleanup of current facility