

HOA MINUTES SHEET DATE 12NOV18

Present: Barry Sanders, Charles Ramirez, Jim Porter, Mike Schumacher, John Braden, Harvey Shapiro, Carter Combs

Present by Phone: Don Fuson

Absent: Jerry Meier, Bob Murphy, Adam Singleton

Open: 6:05 p.m.

1. Minutes of 8OCT18 approved
- 2.. Treasurers Report (attached): Jim Porter reviewed report, noted that
 - a. Reserve amount included \$3,070 set aside for purchase of sound system.
 - b. Marbles fund shows good balance.
 - c. Will need to receive W9 form from Class Ring before they can be paid.
 - d. Noted that there seems to be discrepancy between amount paid for items (logo hats) by members and actual receipt. It was proposed a policy be developed requiring members to pay for items prior to ordering.
 - e. Wade Dexter fund needs clarification for disbursement. Fund has specific criteria limiting Harmony University recipients to first-time attendees. With few chapter members able to meet that criterion, Carter Combs, Jim Bagby and Keith Schweer will be asked to speak with Dexter family about expanding criteria to include previous attendees, with priority to first-time attendees.
2. Marketing: Report attached. Don Fuson noted
 - a. Fundraising ideas are being explored. Perhaps trying to obtain community grants to support arts.
 - b. Has spoken with several people at Kansas City, Mo., Public Library to see about being on a show for them and advertising our performances. They would like six-month notice.
 - c. Has contacted K.C. Star about including us in their community events section for free advertising of our events.
 - d. Has spoken with Carol Schumacher re inclusion of chorus member names in show program. Much discussion about criteria for selection of names for inclusion. Decision to be made by show committee.
3. Membership: Report attached.
4. Music Team: Report attached
 - a. Chorus to perform at Silvercrest retirement center in Lenexa at 6:30 p.m. 4DEC18 before our regular rehearsal. Members would proceed to regular chapter meeting after performance.
 - b. Recommends the chorus attend HEP in St. Joseph on Feb 8-9, 2019, for coaching. Coaching would be about one month before our spring show. Cost is estimated at \$30 per member, plus estimated \$85/night for hotel for those staying the night.

- c. Songs are chosen for March 16 Spring Show. Music is on HOA website and team emphasized members must start work on spring music immediately as show is only four months away. Might schedule extra practices as needed
- 5. Operations: Steve Keisker noted
 - a. He is compiling expenses for towing the risers to St. Louis and will submit when completed
 - b. Chapter should find additional storage space for equipment. Current storage is filled with risers and trailer is packed with equipment. Music, uniforms and sound equipment (when acquired) are being stored off premises.
 - c. Holiday show committee has developed procedure to ensure that children performing on show are seated in the audience with their parents/supervisors during first half of show.

Old business

- 6. Ideas from special meeting on recruiting of new members reviewed.
 - a. Development of business cards to be handed out by members, setting up of learning programs, etc. Nashville may have help available to increase membership. John Braden is to investigate the BHS website for information on its Learn to Sing Program and other aids to membership recruitment. Bob Murphy to continue investigating possible membership advertisements in area arts programs. Don Fuson was working on language for board review to upload on Meetup.com. President Barry said other ideas from the Oct. 29 special board meeting on membership should be followed up, possibly calling on all individual chapter members to contact their schools and churches about program advertising to invite prospective members.
 - b. Search for Associate Director: Bob Velazquez, Adam Singleton, Marty Oldehoeft and Tony Strub have agreed to serve on a search committee. The first step is to review existing associate director job description and recommend changes if needed.

New Business

- 7. Search under way for 18NOV show rehearsal venue due to withdrawal of Center High School space. President Barry contacted Blue River Church of Christ in Lee's Summit as first choice and if not available, then Blue Ridge Presbyterian Church, Raytown, would be second choice.
- 8. Sound System: Ask Bob Velazquez and Kevin Tritsch to propose appropriate equipment for purchase.
- 9. Review of Chapter Bylaws: Carter Combs reports Nashville is working on new set of Standard Chapter Bylaws. When completed, our chapter will ask for copy as model for our chapter bylaws.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.