

Detroit-Oakland Chapter

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

January 2008 Chapter Board Meeting – January 21, 2008

Attendees

Dave Montera – President
David Beamer – Secretary
Tom Uicker – Treasurer
Jim Kunz – VP Music
John Balint – VP Marketing
John Blanchard – VP Programs
Randy Wright – At large
Lou Stark – At large
Jeff Spires – At large

Guests

Earl Berry
Steve Sutherland

Meeting called to order at 6:37.

Minutes for December 2007 meeting were read. One correction was required – the singing engagement for the Princess ship has not yet been finalized. Minutes approved as corrected. MSC

Tom Uicker gave the December treasurer's report, plus a 2007 yearly summary. Tom has suggested to the VPs of Music, Membership, and Programs to submit an approximate budget for 2008. It was suggested that Chart of Account numbers be assigned to these VPs for reporting clarity.

- December report showed a balance of \$3,577.39. Report accepted – MSC

Jim Kunz outlined the thematic background of the upcoming Show, and mentioned the key challenges for the chorus, esp. in getting costumes squared away, and selling tickets.

John Blanchard suggested the addition of a Planning meeting for the year. Dave Montera noted that something like that happened last year, in approximately March, and that he would give John the notes from that meeting.

John Balint has contacted the Observer/Eccentric newspapers regarding ads for the show. They want the ad copy two weeks before the show.

- Radio ads were discussed – they were tried last year, but they did not seem to provide sufficient return on investment to do them again this year.
- Jeff Spires volunteered to contact the Slamkas to see whether we can set up a table with DOC show flyers at their upcoming Retirement Show.

Jack Day sent a Membership report in his absence. It included a 2008 Membership plan.

Insurance and Security bonding were discussed. The list of people who will be covered by the Chapter's Security bond in 2008 is as follows:

- All Chapter Board members
- Earl Berry
- Jay Peterson
- Paul Millis
- Fran Durham
- Terry Webner
- John Northey
- Sandy Northey

Our Property Insurance policy offered through the Society is hereby renewed. MSC

AD&D (Accidental Death and Dismemberment) insurance was discussed. The Chapter currently does not have an AD&D policy. After discussion of the costs and benefits, it was decided that the Chapter would take on the AD&D insurance offered through the Society, at a cost of \$2.06 per member. (Both active and inactive members are counted for the purposes of calculating the total cost). MSC

Meeting adjourned at 7:28.

Respectfully submitted,
David A. Beamer, Secretary