

## **Detroit-Oakland Chapter**

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

April 2010 Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – April 19, 2010

### **Board Attendees**

Dave Montera – President  
Jim Kunz – VP Music & Performance  
John Balint – VP Marketing & PR  
George Burkett – VP Programs  
Ray Sturdy – VP Membership & Chapter Development  
Eric VanPoucker – Secretary  
Mike Matson – Treasurer  
Joe DeSantis – At large  
David Kemp – At large  
Lou Stark – At large  
Herb Hebner – Immediate Past President

### **Guests**

Steve Sutherland

President Montera called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.

Minutes for the regular March 2010 monthly board meeting were read and approved.

***Motion to accept minutes: Jim Kunz; Second: Ray Sturdy. Motion carried.***

### **Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance**

- Jim reported that the Music Team had a meeting in April. He reviewed the minutes from that meeting with the board members.
- Jim reviewed the 2011 Show planning repertoire that was developed by Jim, Steve Sutherland, Dave Montera, and Dave Beamer. Our 2011 Show songs will most likely be determined by the list that they developed.
- Jim reported that the Music Team will develop a list of songs for our chapter quartets to choose from for the 2011 Show. Each quartet will be asked to perform one song for the 2011 Show.

### **John Balint, VP Marketing and PR**

- John reported that we are still looking for chorus jobs. However, our chapter quartets have had some jobs in the past couple of months.

### **George Burkett, VP Program Activities**

- George reported that he is planning a chapter picnic for this summer. He will poll chapter members via email and tonight's practice session, and suggest two dates: Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> or Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. After much discussion, it was decided to have the picnic at Boulan Park in Troy, same location as last year's picnic. George volunteered to contact the Troy Parks and Recreation department to secure a date after polling the chapter members.
- Dave Montera reviewed the past activities associated with the Traveling Brown Jug. The main goals for this activity are: 1) to promote inter-chapter visitation; and 2) to raise funds for district quartets competing in the International competitions. George and Dave agreed to meet to discuss further the possibility of reviving the Traveling Jug.

## Ray Sturdy, Membership & Chapter Development

- After noting approval by the Music Team, Ray presented the application of Rene Salagan into membership with the Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society.  
**Motion to accept Rene Salagan into membership: Ray Sturdy; second: Joe DeSantis. Motion carried.**
- Ray will be contacting past guests and encouraging them to return to our rehearsal sessions.
- Mike Matson suggested that we contact past guests to join us in the fall when we begin rehearsing holiday music for our hospital visits. It was noted that this is a great recruiting tool for new members.

## Mike Matson, Treasurer

- Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$10,415.14 in the Funds Available account (approximately \$7,000 in the operating funds and \$3,000 in uniform deposits).
- Mike announced that due to our Standing Regulations, our chapter is required to transfer 10% of the profits from our Annual Show into the Harmony Foundation Fund. Therefore, **it was moved by Mike Matson that we transfer \$435.07 from the Operating Funds into the Harmony Foundation Fund; second: George Burkett. Motion carried.**
- Dave Montera noted that he received a letter and check from the Harmony Foundation, the check being in the amount of over \$300.00 . This money was donated by some of our chapter members to the Harmony Foundation, with a certain percentage coming back to the chapter.

## Old/New Business

- Dave Montera reported that he has four people interested in serving on the committee that will review the 2010 Show. Dave is hopeful that the committee will have recommendations to the chapter before the end of July for the 2011 Show.
- Mike Matson noted a request by the Wayne Chapter Harmony Town Chorus to place an ad in their 2010 June Show program. **It was moved by Mike Matson that we place a ¼ page ad at a cost of \$45.00; second: Ray Sturdy. Motion carried.**
- Lou Stark reported that we may have a paid chorus or quartet singing engagement at his 65<sup>th</sup> Central Catholic High School reunion in Toledo, Ohio, taking place sometime in July. John Balint will be working with Lou to pursue the possibility of participating in this engagement.

**Motion to adjourn: Jim Kunz; second: Joe De Santis.** Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary