

## Detroit-Oakland Chapter

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

August 2010 Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – August 16, 2010

### Board Attendees

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

### Guests

Steve Sutherland  
Bob Wallace  
Earl Berry

Dave Montera called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

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

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

### Ray Sturdy, Membership & Chapter Development

- Ray announced that the applications for membership by James McDonald and Gary Carpenter were approved by the Music Team. Therefore, ***Ray Sturdy moved that we accept James McDonald and Gary Carpenter into membership of the Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. Second: Jim Kunz. Motion carried.***
- Ray reminded the board about the one-day workshop titled “Compellingly Attractive Chapter Meetings” to be held in Okemos on September 25, 2010. After discussing the number of members from our Chapter who plan on attending, ***Ray Sturdy moved that the Chapter pay for the registration of up to six members (\$390.00) to attend the one-day workshop to be held on September 25, 2010; Second: Jim Kunz. Motion carried.***

### Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance

- Jim reported that the Music Team had a meeting on Monday, August 2, 2010. Jim reviewed the “Discussion Summary” of that meeting.
- Jim reviewed the songs that the chorus plans to sing for the 2011 Show.
- Jim shared the “general ground rules” that were developed by the Music Team for selecting chorus quartets for our annual shows.
- Jim noted that Vocal Spectrum will be our featured quartet. Jim has not yet heard from Vocal Spectrum regarding the contract agreement and will contact them again. A lengthy discussion was held by board members regarding securing reasonable costs from Vocal Spectrum, covering most of the details with language in the contract.

### Mike Matson, Treasurer

- Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$8,287.86 in the Funds Available account, and of that amount, \$3,338.29 is in the operating funds.
- Mike mentioned that the "Other Charities" fund has been depleted and is in a negative amount. ***It was moved by Jim Kunz to transfer \$400.00 from the Harmony Foundation fund to the "Other Charities" fund; Second: Ray Sturdy. Motion carried.***

### John Balint, VP Marketing and PR

- John received a \$300.00 check for our June 26, 2010 performance at the Heritage Village in Warren, MI. We are still waiting for a check in the amount of \$150.00 from the same performance.

### Old/New Business

- Dave Montera discussed the feedback from the chorus regarding the renting of a shuttle bus from the chapter hotel to the competition for the 2010 Fall Convention to be held in Grand Rapids. So far, three members have expressed an interest in the shuttle bus and five have declined to use the shuttle bus. Dave will once again ask the chorus if they are interested in the shuttle bus, to see if it is economically feasible to rent the bus for this event.
- Earl Berry asked if our chorus was going to commit to the first Friday in November (11/05/10) for Canada Night. Ray Sturdy and Earl Berry volunteered to help George Burkett (VP Programs) develop some promotional activities both within our chapter and with other local chapters to help promote Canada Night.
- Eric VanPoucker received an email from our previous Secretary, David Beamer, regarding a box of old secretarial materials (minutes, Treasurer Reports, forms, etc.) from the Detroit-Oakland Chapter that he has in his keeping. David would like to pass these materials on to our present secretary, who has no storage available. After discussion, Dave Montera said that he would contact David Beamer and come up with a solution to the storage of these materials.
- Mike Matson suggested that we make a donation to the Harmony Foundation in memory of Dr. James Hall, who passed away in a recent airplane crash. Dr. Hall was well known in our district and a fine humanitarian. After discussion, ***Mike Matson moved that we make a \$60.00 donation to the Harmony Foundation in memory of Dr. James Hall; Second: Joe DeSantis. Motion carried.***

***Motion to adjourn: Jim Kunz; Second: Joe DeSantis. Motion carried.***

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary

