# **Detroit-Oakland Chapter**

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

December 2010 Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – December 20, 2010

# **Board Attendees**

<u>Guests</u>

Steve Sutherland

David Montera – President

Jim Kunz – VP Music & Performance

Ray Sturdy – VP Membership & Chapter Development

John Balint - VP Marketing & PR

George Burkett – VP Programs

Eric VanPoucker – Secretary

Mike Matson – Treasurer

David Kemp - At large

Lou Stark – At large

Herb Hebner - Immediate Past President

# President Montera called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Minutes for the regular November 2010 monthly board meeting were read and approved. *Motion to accept minutes: Herb Hebner; Second: Ray Sturdy. Motion carried.* 

### Ray Sturdy, Membership & Chapter Development

- Ray shared a print-out of the Gentlemen Songsters 2010 Weekly Chapter Meeting Attendance and reviewed the information provided on the print-out.
- Ray is in the process of deciding on a date for our annual Chapter Guest Night for 2011.

#### Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance

- Jim reported that the Music Team did not have a December meeting.
- Jim did meet with Herb Hebner, Dave Beamer, Tom Uicker, Steve Sutherland, and Dave Montera regarding the 2011 implementation of suggestions from the 2010 Compellingly Attractive Chapter Meetings seminar.
- Jim is in the final stages of securing a contract agreement with our 2011 Show guest quartet, Vocal Spectrum.
- Jim will be contacting the Northville High School representative, Mary Kay Price, to finalize a contract with the 2011 high school guest ensemble, Backbeat.

# Mike Matson, Treasurer

- Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$7,923.68 in the Funds Available account, and of that amount, \$3,862.83 is in the operating funds.
- Mike inquired about the amount in coaching fees to be paid to Carl Dahlke and Sue Gleason. (Previous payments to Sue will be verified, with the board deciding a payment fee before the end of this budget year.)
- Mike will review our previous donations this year to the Harmony Foundation, and let the board know the additional amount needed in order to make our annual \$1,000 to the foundation.

# John Balint, VP Marketing and PR

- John reminded board members that we will be singing Christmas Carols at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak on Tuesday, December 21st.
- John announced that we have secured a date to perform at Nardin Park Methodist Church in Farmington Hills on Wednesday, July 13, 2011. Our performance fee will be \$1,000.

# **George Burkett, Program Activities**

• George provided a list of events scheduled for the new few months and reviewed the dates with the board members.

# **Old/New Business**

- Mike announced that he has sent-out via email, a preliminary budget report for 2011. Dave Montera asked each Vice-President to review the preliminary budget in order to approve a 2011 budget by the February 2011 board meeting.
- Dave Montera introduced the idea of establishing a benevolence fund for our chapter membership.
   After discussion, it was moved by Jim Kunz, seconded by Dave Kemp, to begin the development and eventual establishment of a benevolence fund. Motion carried. Dave Montera volunteered to develop for the board a more formalized draft regarding this proposal, ready to present by the next board meeting.

Motion to adjourn: Jim Kunz; Second: George Burkett. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary