

Detroit-Oakland Chapter

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

June 2010 Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – June 21, 2010

Board Attendees

Ray Sturdy – VP Membership & Chapter Development
Jim Kunz – VP Music & Performance
John Balint - VP Marketing & PR
George Burkett – VP Programs
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
Bob Wallace

Jim Kunz called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.

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

Motion to accept minutes Ray Sturdy; Second: John Balint. Motion carried.

Ray Sturdy, Membership & Chapter Development

- Ray presented the application of Mike Schulte into membership with the Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society.
Motion to accept: Ray Sturdy; Second: David Kemp. Motion carried.
- Ray mentioned that we have continued interest in our chapter by guests James McDonald, Steve Overstreet, and Gary Carpenter. Discussion took place suggesting that we use our section leaders or fellow members as mentors for these prospective new members, along with the mentoring of our newest members.

Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance

- Jim reported that the Music Team had a meeting on June 7th. He reviewed the minutes from that meeting with the board members.
- Jim reviewed the 2011 Show planning repertoire and provided a narrowed down list of eleven show songs.
- Jim noted that the Music Team also discussed a Saturday matinee performance, followed by a Saturday evening performance, in an effort to attract a new group of patrons. The Music Team agreed to go with two shows on Saturday. Discussion took place regarding the costs and effects for an all day Saturday show versus the Friday and Saturday evening shows.
- Jim reminded us of the upcoming Heritage Village performance on June 26th and a possible Henry Ford Village performance in early 2011.
- Jim reported that the Music Team also discussed the need to provide consistent orientation to our new members and recent guests.
- Jim noted that the Music Team discussed the need for additional coaching, possibly with Matt Combs.
- Jim will be coordinating with Tom Uicker and Rick Vuylsteke re: the number of copies of new music needed to purchase for the 2011 show.

George Burkett, VP Program Activities

- George reported that we have a performance at the Heritage Village Park Place at 1:00 PM on Saturday, June 26th.
- George provided instructions and directions for the annual DOC picnic to be held at Boulan Park on Monday, July 12th, from 4:00 PM – 10:00 PM. George is in the process of inviting the Grosse Pointe Chapter and the Pontiac-Waterford Chapter.

John Balint, VP Marketing and PR

- John reported that he has been in contact with Jim Martin at Henry Ford Village regarding a 2011 Spring performance. Discussion took place about this time frame and it was suggested that we perform after the Greenfield Soup and Salad performance, which is usually held in the beginning of March, and before the annual Pioneer District April competition. John will send a letter to Henry Ford Village requesting a date between these two performances.

Mike Matson, Treasurer

- Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$10,322.96 in the Funds Available account, of that amount, \$4,298.77 is in the operating funds.
- Discussion was held regarding which account funds we should use for the approved donations to the competing Pioneer District chorus and quartets in the 2010 International Competition. It was decided that we would use funds from the "Other Charities" account.

Motion to accept Treasurer's report: George Burkett; second: Ray Sturdy. Motion carried.

Old/New Business

- Discussion took place regarding the authorized donation to the 2010 International Competition Pioneer District guest quartet Resisting-A-Rest as noted in the May 2010 minutes. After discussion, it was decided to approve the \$100.00 donation.
Motion to approve: Ray Sturdy; second: George Burkett. Motion carried.
- Lou Stark questioned the need for additional chorus coaching when we have Dave Beamer and others in our chorus who provide chorus coaching. Discussion took place regarding the need for a style coach and the monies needed for visiting coaches. It was noted that we have \$1300.00 budgeted for chorus coaching. Jim mentioned that the Music Team will continue to work on this issue.

Motion to adjourn: Herb Hebner; second: George Burkett. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary