

Detroit-Oakland Chapter

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

February 2012 Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2012

Board Attendees

Dave Montera - President
Jim Kunz – VP Music & Performance
John Balint – VP Marketing and PR
Roger Boyer – VP Membership & Chapter Development
Pete Peters – VP Programs
Mike Matson – Treasurer
Eric VanPoucker – Secretary
Joe DeSantis – At Large
Dave Kemp – At Large
Herb Hebner – Immediate Past President

Guests

Lou Stark
Steve Sutherland

Dave Montera called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

- Minutes for the regular January 2012 monthly Chapter Board Meeting were read and approved.
Motion to accept minutes: Jim Kunz; Second: Dave Kemp. Motion carried.

Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance

- Jim reported that the Music Team had a formal meeting on February 6, 2012. Jim shared a copy of the meeting summary with the Board Members present. The summary included the following items of discussion: 1) 2013 Annual Show planning – The Music Team identified possible chorus songs and preliminary candidates for inclusion in the 2013 “Doo-Wop” theme show; 2) Our chorus participation in the Spring 2012 “Industry Sings” event; 3) Our Spring 2012 Contest plans and readiness; and 4) Our rehearsal experience at the Salvation Army Administrative Center.

John Balint, VP Marketing & PR

- John reported that he and Steve Sutherland attended a meeting on January 24, 2012 re: the “Industry Sings” Spring 2012 Concert. John and Steve expressed concerns re: our participation in this concert.
After discussion, it was Moved by Eric VanPoucker, Second by Roger Boyer, that our chorus not participate in the “Industry Sings” Spring 2012 Concert. Motion passed.
- John provided a copy of the news releases sent to local newspapers and radio/television stations regarding publicity for our 2012 Annual Show. After discussion, it was suggested that we also pursue “Facebook”, “Twitter”, and “Craig’s List” for publicity of future events.

Roger Boyer, Membership & Chapter Development

- Roger announced that fifteen “Guest Night” packets and certificates have been ordered for our March 5, 2012 “Guest Night”.
- Roger reminded the Board that this is the “Year of Harold Hill” for Chapter growth. Roger would like to see a goal set for each Chapter Member: to secure a “Man of Note” award in 2012.
- Roger encouraged Board members to attend the “Super Charging Your Chapter” conference to be held on Saturday, March 24, 2012. Roger will also encourage our Chapter Members to attend.

- Roger will continue to pursue a “Membership Committee” to help our Chapter with input re: ideas for membership growth.

Pete Peters, VP Programs

- Pete will be meeting on Monday, February 27, at 6:30 pm, with Jim Kunz, Steve Sutherland, Dave Montera, and Roger Boyer to help plan a schedule of events for “Guest Night”.
- Pete mentioned that he had a good contingent of ushers for our 2012 Show.
- Pete also made note that we had a large contingent of members (16-18) who attended the 2012 Uncle Sam Night, held in Windsor, Ontario.
- Pete announced that the 2012 Annual Picnic will be held on Monday, July 16, 2012.

Treasurer’s Report, Mike Matson

- Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$11,902.95 in the Funds Available account, and of that amount, \$5,620.46 is in the Operating Funds.

Old/New Business

- Mike Matson is continuing to develop a committee for the Chapter Benevolent Fund.
- Dave Montera mentioned that the Music Team will begin working next month on the Board approved item: “Alternative Show Venues and Dates”.
- Dave Montera reminded Board members that each Chapter Officer’s Job Description is due. Dave would like to have these sent to him via email so that he can present an entire packet to the Chapter Board by the April 2012 Board meeting.
- Dave Montera reviewed a copy of our preliminary Budget report for the 2012 Annual Show for discussion. In addition, the Board also discussed various aspects and results of the 2012 Show.
- Roger Boyer mentioned that he is in contact with the PR staff at IKEA re: the idea of a Chapter Quartet performing at the entrance of the store on a Saturday or Sunday weekend. Roger asked the Board Members to consider Quartets who might be willing to fulfill this endeavor.

Motion to adjourn: Jim Kunz; Second: Dave Kemp. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary