Detroit-Oakland Chapter

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

August 2013 Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – August 19, 2013

Board Attendees

Dave Montera – President Jim Kunz – VP Music & Performance John Balint – VP Marketing & PR Gary Carpenter – VP Membership & Chapter Development Mike Matson – Treasurer Eric VanPoucker – Secretary Roger Boyer – At large Herb Hebner – Immediate Past President <u>Guests</u> Steve Sutherland Keith Opal Terry Webner

Dave Montera called the meeting to order at 6:27 pm.

• Minutes for the July 15, 2013 Chapter Board Meeting were read and approved, along with the Special Chapter Board Meeting held on July 15, 2013. *Motion to accept minutes: John Balint; Second: Roger Boyer. Motion carried.*

Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance

• Jim Kunz reported that the Music Team held a meeting on August 5, 2013. Jim shared a short summary of that meeting:

1) 2014 - 75th Annual Show planning – The Music Team discussed: 1) The progress of the chorus with the singing and memorization of songs for the Annual Show; 2) George will choose alternate lyrics for "Basin Street Blues"; 3) The challenges of writing a scripted, themed show every year and instead, are considering having a "parade of harmony" every other year; 4) The need to select the show venue and the sending out of quartet bid solicitations.

2) Matt Coombs and Carl Dahlke attended the meeting to discuss the chorus preparation for the fall contest.

3) The Music Team also discussed the Top Gun coaching session to be held August 24, 3013. We plan on having Carl Dahlke, Matt Coombs, and possibly Sue Gleason-Spires at this coaching session.

Mike Matson, Treasurer's Report

• Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$13,923.44 in the Funds Available account, and of that amount, \$5,211.98 is in the Operating Funds.

Gary Carpenter, VP Membership & Chapter Development

- Discussion took place re: attendance sheets for each Chapter practice session. Dave has requested that these be given to the Music Team. Roger Boyer will provide them to the Music Team before their next meeting.
- Gary mentioned that he has received the membership renewal for Larry King, along with his 50 year pin. After discussion, it was decided that we would present the pin to Larry at Canada Night or the 2014 Annual Show.

• Gary will announce to the Chapter membership that we will be inviting guests to attend Christmas Caroling practices. It is our hope that they will join us for our annual caroling performances.

John Balint, VP Marketing & PR

• John distributed to the Music Team some 2014 dates re: a future performance at Fox Run.

Old/New Business

- Gary Carpenter reported that he is continuing to work on the mechanics of resurrecting "Section Captains", who would be responsible for contacting members re: absences. After discussion, it was suggested that we have at least two "Captains" for each section. Gary will be working with Roger Boyer for help with attendance forms and other ideas/information.
- Jim Kunz moved, seconded by John Balint, that we approve a budget allocation from Account 413 in the amount of \$500.00 for the Top Gun coaching session. Motion carried.
- Dave Montera mentioned that Canada Night will be held on Friday, November 8, 2013. Dave will be contacting Ray Sturdy re: the obtaining of a liquor license for this event.
- Dave Montera will be asking Chapter members to serve on a Nominating Committee for our annual Chapter Officers Elections to be held in October.
- Dave Montera will be meeting with Gary Carpenter re: Barbershopper of the Month.
- Dave Montera mentioned that we are reserving a Hospitality Suite for the Fall 2013 Convention. Dave will also be contacting Roger Lewis re: the possibility of DOC hosting the 2014 Spring Convention.
- Dave Montera will be devoting time to investigate new venues for the 2014 Annual Show, keeping Clarenceville High School as a back-up venue
- After discussion, *Jim Kunz moved, seconded by Roger Boyer, that we approve up to \$300.00 for the purchase of new shirt patches. Motion carried.* The Board also wants to remind Chapter Members that the new red shirts with patches were partially paid with by a \$25.00 donation from each Chorus Member.
- Terry Webner shared with the Board the 2013 Spring Convention photo that he was able to make for purchase from the Chorus membership. The 8x10 photo will cost \$10.00.

Motion to adjourn: Jim Kunz; Second by John Balint. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary