

# Detroit-Oakland Chapter

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

July 2013 Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – July 15, 2013

## Board Attendees

Dave Montera – President  
Jim Kunz – VP Music & Performance  
Gary Carpenter – VP Membership & Chapter Development  
Joe DeSantis – VP Programs  
Mike Matson – Treasurer  
Eric VanPoucker – Secretary  
Mike Schulte – At large  
Herb Hebner – Immediate Past President

## Guests

Steve Sutherland

### **Dave Montera called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm.**

- Minutes for the June 17, 2013 Chapter Board Meeting were read and approved. ***Motion to accept minutes: Gary Carpenter; Second: Mike Matson. Motion carried.***

### **Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance**

- Jim Kunz reported that the Music Team held a meeting on July 8, 2013. Jim shared a short summary of that meeting:
  - 1) 2014 - 75<sup>th</sup> 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) The attendance at weekly chapter practices; and 3) The need to select the show venue and the sending out of quartet bid solicitations.
  - 2) Jim voice tested a prospective new member who has since declined to join us at this time.
  - 3) The Music Team also discussed the Top Gun coaching session to be held August 24, 2013. We plan on having Carl Dahlke and Sue Gleason-Spears at this coaching session.
- Dave Montera mentioned that he is checking with the Book-Cadillac Hotel in Detroit as a venue for our 2014 Annual Show.

### **Mike Matson, Treasurer's Report**

- Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$14,172.99 in the Funds Available account, and of that amount, \$5,795.03 is in the Operating Funds.

### **Gary Carpenter, VP Membership & Chapter Development**

- Gary has been in touch with Dave Montera re: the resurrection of “Barbershopper of the Month”. (Dave has the forms and certificates available that were used previously for this program.) Dave will meet with Gary to discuss having retroactive awards for the months from January – June 2013.
- Gary began a discussion re: when we should have our next “Guest Night”. After discussion, it was suggested that we invite guests to participate with our “Holiday Sing-outs” in order to give them a chance to sing with our chorus. This would allow guests to start attending our practices in late October, when we begin singing our holiday music.

## **Joe DeSantis, VP Programs**

- Joe reported on the progress of the Annual Picnic, to be held on Monday, July 22, 2013: 1) Joe has heard back from some of the choruses that have been invited to attend. At this time, we have at least 60 attendees for our picnic, including DOC members; 2) Joe will be asking DOC chorus members to sign-up to help at the picnic; and 3) Dinner is planned to begin around 6:00 pm.

## **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 contacting Roger Boyer for help with attendance forms and other ideas/information.
- Dave Montera updated the Board re: the fundraising “Script” program that he and Dave Kemp are working on. Due to recent changes in the program, we would have to establish a dedicated bank account for the program and someone to coordinate the program. No decisions have been made yet re: our participation. Dave has asked for our continued help and suggestions with this program as they make a final determination re: our participation.
- Joe DeSantis mentioned that he received an email re: the need to make sure the church building is secure before leaving on Monday night. Joe will be asking our membership for a third member to help patrol the church before we leave for the night.
- Mike Schulte mentioned that he will be asking our membership for help re: the taking down of the risers after weekly rehearsals.

***Motion to adjourn: Jim Kunz; Second by Herb Hebner. Motion passed.***

Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary