

## Detroit-Oakland Chapter

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

June 2013 Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – June 17, 2013

### Board Attendees

Jim Kunz – VP Music & Performance  
John Balint – VP Marketing and PR  
Gary Carpenter – VP Membership & Chapter Development  
Joe DeSantis – VP Programs  
Mike Matson – Treasurer  
Eric VanPoucker – Secretary  
Roger Boyer – At large  
Herb Hebner – Immediate Past President

### Guests

Keith Opal  
Pete Peters  
Steve Sutherland

### **Jim Kunz called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.**

- Minutes for the May 20, 2013 Chapter Board Meeting were read and approved. ***Motion to accept minutes: Herb Hebner; Second: Mike Matson. Motion carried***

### Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance

- Jim Kunz reported that the Music Team held a meeting on June 3, 2013. Jim shared a short summary of that meeting:
  - 1) 2014 - 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Show planning – The Music Team discussed: 1) The song selections that the chorus will be singing; 2) The attendance at weekly chapter practices; 3) The need to select the show venue; the sending out of quartet bid solicitations; and finalizing directors for show songs.
  - 2) Jim voice tested Ned Nikodem and the Music Team approved his candidacy.
  - 3) The Music Team discussed the Windsor Send-Off Show.
  - 4) The Music Team also discussed the Top Gun coaching session to be held August 24, 2013. At this time, our chorus will be participating.

### John Balint, VP Marketing & PR

- Along with the Pontiac and Rochester Choruses, John is working on publicity which promotes the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Barbershop Harmony Society.
- John announced that we have a singing engagement at the Henry Ford Village on Sunday, November 3, 2013, at 3:00pm.

### Mike Matson, Treasurer's Report

- Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$14,642.20 in the Funds Available account, and of that amount, \$5,621.76 is in the Operating Funds.

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

- Gary introduced discussion re: the reintroduction of “Barbershop of the Month”. Gary will secure a Committee of two or three chapter members to help develop this activity. After discussion, the Board encouraged Gary to pursue this endeavor.

### **Joe DeSantis, VP Programs**

- Joe reported on the progress of the Annual Picnic, to be held on Monday, July 22, 2013: 1) The Sweet Adelines Shoreline Chorus has been invited to attend and Joe will be inviting other surrounding barbershop chapters; 2) Joe introduced discussion re: the cost issues/options that we have for the picnic (after discussion, it was decided that we help pay for the picnic by continuing the 50/50 Raffle); and 3) Joe will be discussing the starting time of the picnic with those members who are helping to plan the picnic.

### **Old/New Business**

- ***Mike Matson moved, seconded by Herb Hebner, that we reimburse Roger Boyer \$50.00 for the cost of obtaining a Vector Graphic for chapter use. Motion carried.***
- ***Gary Carpenter moved, seconded by Joe DeSantis, that we recommend Ned Nikodem for membership into the Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. Motion carried.***
- Roger Boyer voiced concerns re: our lack of contacting members who are absent from our weekly practices. After discussion, it was suggested that we once again have a Section Captain who would take attendance each week and contact those members who were absent. Herb Hebner will be working with Dave Montera on “resurrecting” this procedure.
- Due to a quartet withdrawing from the 2013 International Competition and therefore not using our donation, ***Mike Matson moved, seconded by Herb Hebner, that we increase our donation to the Harmony Explosion Camp by \$100.00. Motion carried.***

***Motion to adjourn: Herb Hebner; Second by John Balint. Motion passed.***

Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary