

## Detroit-Oakland Chapter

Pioneer District – Barbershop Harmony Society

Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – May 19, 2014

### Board Attendees

Dave Montera – President  
Jim Kunz – VP Music & Performance  
John Balint – VP Marketing & PR  
Roger Boyer – VP Membership & Chapter Development  
Mike Schulte – Treasurer  
Eric VanPoucker – Secretary  
Gary Carpenter – At large  
Terry Webner – At large  
Herb Hebner – Immediate Past President

### Guests

Keith Opal

### **Dave Montera called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.**

- Minutes for the April 21, 2014 DOC Chapter Board Meeting were presented for acceptance. ***Motion to accept minutes: Roger Boyer; Second: John Balint. Motion carried.***

### Jim Kunz, VP Music & Performance

- Jim Kunz reported that the Music Team held a meeting on May 5, 2014. Jim shared a short summary of that meeting:
  - 1) 2015 Annual Show** –We need: a) to continue introducing songs and developing SP plans by song and b) to solicit bids from headliner quartets. We are tentatively set for February 21, 2015 at Clarenceville High School for our 2015 Annual Show performance venue.
  - 2) Nardin Park Event** - We need to confirm the song list (including quartets), review that with Mel Rookus (talent coordinator), then develop the script. We are planning on using the Fox Run script/plan as our starting point.
  - 3) Chapter Member and Guest Surveys** - Dave Montera noted that he will publish an updated Chapter member survey and updated precepts document for review.
  - 4) New Business** - a) The Music Team has chosen a new contest ballad, ***My Foolish Heart***. Steve Sutherland has ordered music and has learning tracks available on our web site; b) Our chorus will be participating in the Top Gun chorus coaching session on August 16, 2014; c) The Music Team discussed rehearsal video recordings, with immediate playback/feedback. Jim has offered to bring in a higher-quality projector so details can be seen. We will need to enlist a camera operator; and d) Due to Steve Sutherland's shoulder surgery, our other directors will be filling in until Steve has fully recuperated.

### Roger Boyer, VP Membership & Chapter Development

- Roger reported that he visited the Berkley Community Center for a possible rehearsal venue. However, one of the drawbacks of this facility, is that they have no riser storage areas available.

## Mike Schulte, Treasurer's Report

- Mike reported that we have an end of the month Grand Total of \$13,827.15 in the Funds Available account, and of that amount, \$8,072.57 is in the Operating Funds.

## John Balint, VP Marketing & PR

- No report at this time.

## Old/New Business

- Dave Montera distributed a "Sample Chapter/Music Survey" to the Board. After discussion (including suggested additions), it was decided that Dave will provide updated copies to the Board via email for final review before the survey is distributed to the Chapter Membership. Dave would like any suggested additions sent to him by May 28, 2014.
- After discussion, ***it was moved by Jim Kunz, seconded by Terry Webner, that we: 1) donate \$75.00 to the Harmony Foundation in memory of Joan King, wife of Larry King and 2) donate \$75.00 to the Harmony Foundation in memory of Ed Snell. Motion carried.***
- Dave Montera received a thank you note from Bert Schwab re: the Chapter Chorus participation during Bob's wake.
- Terry Webner would like to donate a Kindle Fire XL to the Harmony Foundation involving some sort of raffle. After discussion, it was suggested that Terry contact the people involved with the Windsor Send-Off gathering and see if a raffle could take place at this event
- Dave Montera reported that the Chapter Picnic date is still not confirmed.
- After discussion, ***it was moved by Roger Boyer, seconded by Terry Webner, that we offer (up to three DOC members in good standing) 50% reimbursement of tuition costs for those who are attending Harmony University for their first time, subject to any provisions in our standing regulations. Motion carried.***
- After discussion, ***it was moved by Terry Webner, seconded by Roger Boyer, that we donate the following amounts to the 2014 International Champions that will be representing the Pioneer District: 1) \$100.00 to the Majestic quartet; 2) \$500.00 to the Mt. Pleasant Chorus; and 3) \$100 to the G4's college quartet. Motion carried.***
- Roger Boyer will investigate the use of the middle school facility in the Berkley School District for our chapter rehearsal site. Facility use payment would be benefit performances for the school district.

***Motion to adjourn: Terry Webner; Second by Herb Hebner. Motion passed.***

Meeting adjourned at 7:29pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric VanPoucker, Secretary