

Detroit Oakland Chapter  
Barbershop Harmony Society  
April 18, 2016

Board Attendees: George Burkett, Roger Boyer, Gary Carpenter, Dave Montera, Keith Opal, John Paul, Craig Roney, Mike Schulte, Terry Webner  
Guests: Steve Sutherland  
Absent: John Balint, Dave McDonald

The meeting was convened at 6:29 PM by president Terry Webner

**Montera moved and Paul seconded that the Minutes of March 21, 2016 be approved as amended. Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report- M Schulte

The Board received Treasurer's Reports for the months January, February, and March, 2016 for information purposes. The account balance as of the end of March, 2016 was \$17,305.00.

Music Team Meeting (April 4, 2016)- J. Paul

February, 2016 Show:

D. Montera indicated that the budget for the show still isn't finalized because he needs to receive a bill from RO High School.

September 10, 2016 Show:

J. Paul indicated that the song selections are set perhaps with the addition of "My Girl." A duet with Coda Honor and Evenin' Gentleman may also be added.

There has been no confirmation from the RO School District that renovations to the high school auditorium will be completed in time for the Sept. show. **If no confirmation is received by May, we will request to use the middle school auditorium.** (Show tickets and flyers need to be ordered by June thus the May deadline). We may still be able to use the high school auditorium if the technical upgrades are completed by September but the school

district postpones upgrading the seating.

If we use the middle school auditorium, the risers will be moved in front of the curtain for the chorus performance then pushed back behind the curtain for the guest quartet performances. The Music Team hasn't yet decided what the arrangement will be for the end-of-show performance. The balcony will be closed to patrons.

The Music Team discussed various procedures for improving the musical quality of chorus members.

Membership- R. Boyer

RO Chamber of Commerce Coffee:

T. Webner & D. Montera attended the meeting and discussed the Chapter's involvement in the RO Schools Community Arts program. R. Boyer will follow up to determine our involvement.

Jug/Guest Night:

J. DeSantis requested that the Committee meet at 6:30 next week to plan for the event. Individuals will contact the invited chapter officers for an attendance head count this week.

R. Boyer suggested we need to determine a date for inviting a RO fireman to our practice for CPR training (@ an hour and a half). Discussion followed; no date was set due to the need to practice for upcoming shows. The idea of inviting other chapters to attend the training was discussed as well. It might be asking too much of them since we have invited them to Jug/Guest Night.

Program- G. Burkett

G. Burkett indicated that we will use Salon C as our Hospitality Room at the upcoming convention. He will order Jimmy Johns subs and requested that members sign up to bring deserts, etc. A

warm-up room is yet to be determined.

Publicity- J. Balint

J. Balint has requested that he be replaced as Publicity Chair and chorus Manager due to continuing disability. **T. Webner will request the Nomination committee to secure a replacement.**

Chorus Manager- It was requested that the Fox run performance not be held in September or October.

Old Business- T. Webner

Nomination Committee: The committee consists of E. Berry, P. Peters, and R. Sturdy.

New Business-

The need to send an assistant director to Harmony U. was discussed. The issue was referred to the Music Team for discussion.

The issue of the Chapter contributing to the RO School District for high school seating renovation was discussed. This would be in addition to the individual contributions (\$2,000.00) that have already been made. **The general belief was that the Chapter should contribute but no final decision was made and no amount was identified. The issue will need to be revisited in the future.**

M. Schulte reported that a check has been sent to the District to cover the cost of the contest DVD. He has the forms for requesting a contest photo but needed to know the number of Chorus members participating (29).

T. Webner requested that the Past President run next weeks' meeting (Jug Night discussion) due to his absence.

Adjournment: G. Burkett moved and C. Roney seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 7:07 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted: Craig Roney, Recording Secretary

**Minutes approved as corrected May 16, 2016**