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Detroit Oakland Chapter
Barbershop Harmony Society
September 19, 2016

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

The meeting was convened at 6:30 PM by president Terry Webner

Carpenter moved and Burkett seconded that the Minutes of August 15, 2016 be approved. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report- M Schulte

The Board received the Treasurer's Report for the month of August, 2016 for information purposes. The account balance as of the end of August, 2016 was \$14,382.06

Music Team Meeting (September 12, 2016)- T. Webner (in J. Paul's absence)

For the February Show the Team is considering two new songs to replace "Mother-In-Law" and Silhouettes;" possibly "Chances Are" and "Tears On My Pillow."

The Application for the Fall, 2016 competition was sent today.

Opal moved and Burkett seconded a recommendation to accept Thad Zaremba as a new member. Motion carried.

After deliberation it was decided to request of the Royal Oak school district the dates of February 10 (Tech Rehearsal), 11 (Performance), 2017 for our next show. The high school auditorium would be our first choice for the venue; the middle school auditorium would be the back-up choice.

R. Boyer reported that we need to apply yearly to use the middle school for our rehearsal venue. He will file the application.

Regarding Regulation #4 of the Standing Regulations the Music Team recommendation was adopted (September, 19, 2016) to establish the standard performance fee as follows: 45 minutes @ \$400 minimum.

D. Montera is looking into acquiring new short sleeve chorus shirts from Harwoods Uniforms (possibly Hawaiian style with embroidered logo and no pockets).

The Music Team is still working on creating a member performance evaluation strategy.

Membership- R. Boyer
No Report.

Program- G. Burkett
G. Burkett is arranging for a hospitality room for the Fall contest.

Canada Night is scheduled for November 4. E. Berry has requested the use of Stead Hall.

Publicity- T. Webner (for P. Scheiwe)

T. Webner has acquired all of J. Balint's files We will keep Christmas Holiday hospital visits to Tuesday-Thursday; Fox Run event to after the holiday. We will continue Zoo performances during the holiday.

Greenfield Village performance is non paying but is good PR. Performing near the entrance gate is the preferred performance spot because there is considerable patron traffic and enables us to hand out promotional material.

R. Boyer will look into performance at the Royal Oak tree lighting ceremony. C. Roney will look into performing at

Noel Night in Detroit.

Old Business- T. Webner

R. Boyer raised the issue of requesting CPR training for our members. It was suggested that he request the training to take place on Nov. 7 or 14 and that we invite other chapters to join in the training. We could request the use of the middle school “Meeting Place” to accommodate a large crowd of participants.

New Business- T. Webner

T. Webner indicated the need to update the Chapter’s Standing Regulations:

Regarding Item #2, 3, **C. Roney moved and G. Burkett seconded a motion to revise the mileage rate wording to read as follows: “ On September 19, 2016, the Board set the mileage rate at the current IRS charitable organization mileage rate.” Motion carried.**

The new wording permits changing the mileage rate as current practice dictates without having to change the Regulation wording.

Regarding Item # 6, D. Montera (who is the Resident Agent) will communicate to C. Roney the Board Action date to be added to the Item.

Regarding Item #7, C. Roney will revise the wording to reflect the fact that the Board action to increase the memorial donation to \$75 was approved on April 15, 2013.

Regarding Item #11, **D. Montera moved and G. Burkett seconded a motion to revise the wording as follows: “ That money is split 75/25 between our chapter charity (Harmony foundation)and our chapter operating fund.” Motion carried.**

C. Roney will make all the necessary changes to the Standard Regulations document and send the revision to S. Sutherland for posting on the chapter website.

D. Montera requested the Board to consider purchasing new speakers to replace the large heavy, and outdated speakers we currently use. Via the Internet he has priced out a pair of speakers from SeismicAudio (Model PWS15) at \$484.99 and speaker stands at \$42. G. Burkett will check to see if we can get a better deal.

D. Montera moved and K. Opal seconded a motion to limit the purchase amount for two speakers and two speaker stands to \$650.00. Motion carried.

G. Burkett moved and C. Roney seconded adjournment at 7:30 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted: Craig Roney, Secretary

Minutes Approved: