

Detroit Oakland Chapter
Barbershop Harmony Society
July 24, 2017

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Board Attendees: Roger Boyer, Doug Joppie, Jim Kunz (for John Paul),
Mike Matson, Keith Opal, Craig Roney, Terry Webner
Absent: George Burkett, Dave Montera, Peter Scheiwe, Mike Schulte
Guests: Earl Berry, Herb Hebner, Steve Sutherland

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

The minutes of June 19, 2017 were approved by acclamation.

Treasurer's Report-

No report.

Music Team Meeting (July 10, 2017)- J. Kunz (for J. Paul)

The Music Team considered scheduling our next show in August, 2018. August 11 was suggested as a tentative date with possibly one show to start at 4 PM. This date would avoid a conflict with the Dream Cruise, would be further away from Labor Day, and would provide us with more time to prepare for contest.

J. Kunz moved and K. Opal seconded a motion to approve the movement of our next show to August, 2018 with a tentative date of August 11, 2018 pending final approval from the Royal Oak school board (to be held at the Royal Oak Middle School auditorium). Motion carried.

Discussion followed. Given the extended time frame to our next show, the Music team has discussed filling our rehearsal time with quartet activity, teaching new songs from Polecat II and/or holiday songs, additional chorus coaching and/or individual voice lessons. M. Matson also suggested additional sectional rehearsals focusing on sound formation. R. Boyer suggested developing a singing valentine repertoire and performance process.

The Team has requested continued use of the middle school choir room for our rehearsals past 8/28/2017 but has received no confirmation to date.

The Music Team continues to discuss the development of a Performance Evaluation Form and evaluation process.

Membership- K. Opal

No report.

Program- G. Burkett

No report.

Publicity- R. Boyer

R. Boyer initiated discussion regarding the need to update our website and indicated that he has had a conversation with a professional web developer regarding what needs to be done and the potential cost to revamp our site and keep it functional for the future (His contact's cost would be \$99/month for 24 months and would need 3 months to complete updates).

It was noted that we have IT expertise within our own membership and that we need additional information regarding updating specific aspects of our website. General consensus was that we need to update the site and requested R. Boyer to seek additional information from our own IT experts plus additional input from additional professional web experts. Included in this discovery would be ways to finance the cost of revising and operating our site via, for example, corporate and/or individual chorus member sponsorship.

Old Business- T. Webner

D. Montera indicated that the chapter reached its goal of \$4k at Jug Night and that the funds were distributed at the Windsor "Send-Off" (\$1k to the three quartets with \$1k held in reserve for the Senior Quartet to be determined this coming /Fall).

T. Webner continues to consider scheduling a THINK (Healthy Chapter) session.

The cost of the new shirts was paid for as part of the 2017 Show Budget.

New Business- T. Webner

T. Webner is still thinking about the THINK system program.

J. Kunz suggested that the Board needs to reanalyze our budget given the move to an August, 2018 show. Committee chairs, therefore, need to formulate budget requests for the coming year.

E. Berry provided a review of the recent picnic. Discussion followed regarding getting more help from chorus members for set-up and clean-up and for supplying side dishes, and funding for the food.

**J. Kunz moved and M. Matson seconded adjournment at 7:25 pm.
Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted: Craig Roney, Secretary

Minutes Approved: