

Detroit-Oakland Chapter Barbershop Harmony Society

Special Combined Phone Conference Meeting of the Music Team & the Board of Directors

March, 2020

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Attendees: George Burkett, Pete Burns, Sally Burns, Dave Czupinski, Geoff d'Allemand, Joe DeSantis, Herb Hebner, Doug Joppie, Jim Kunz, John Marsh, Dave Montera, Keith Opal, Craig Roney, Mike Schulte, Steve Sutherland, Kevin Wolf

The meeting was convened at 7:00 PM by convener J. Kunz.

Note: attendees joined the meeting by one of two phone numbers:

1-312-626-6799 or 1-646-876-9923 subsequently dialing the meeting
ID 517-517-1234##

Status of upcoming events by the Chorus given the coronavirus situation:

1. The Spring Pioneer District convention has been cancelled.
2. Royal Oak Middle School is closed at least until April 10 and could possibly close for the remainder of the school year.
3. The zoo has not contacted us to participate in the 4/22 Senior Day.
4. Most public venues (that we could use to rehearse) have been closed officially.

As such we will suspend rehearsals at least until the week of April 13 and we may need to cancel Jug Night. (An alternative to Jug Night would be to combine it with our annual picnic but that would necessitate our finding a different funding source for the competing quartets and the international convention, that could, conceivably be cancelled). D. Montera offered his pole barn as a picnic venue alternative if other venues are not open to the public. The Music Team will plan some milestone dates where go/no-go decisions about upcoming events need to be made.

Members are encouraged to review, at home, 2020 show music that we have already learned and also new music using printed music and learning tracks.

G. dAllemand will stay in contact with the Royal Oak School District regarding potential resumption of rehearsal in the Middle School.

The Board and Music Team will meet by phone in two weeks (and on a regular basis thereafter) to review contingency plans for future Chorus events.

It was suggested that we develop a phone tree to keep in touch with chorus members (particularly those who are not handy with computer and internet usage). **C. Roney will draft a working phone tree.**

Name Badges:

D. Montera shared information regarding purchase of new name badges for chorus members. The badges are 3 ½” wide, 2” high, a black background, the chorus members name, voice part and our GDC logo. The cost is \$10.50/badge plus shipping for a total of @ \$665 (an initial order of @60 badges). This cost is approximate to the cost if we were to purchase badges from BHS.

C. Roney moved and D. Czupinski seconded a motion to approve funding of up to \$700.00 for purchase of new chorus name badges per the above description. Motion carried.

Convention Sponsorship:

Discussion centered on our chapter sponsoring an upcoming district convention (potentially this coming Fall or the 2021 Fall convention in Battle Creek or the 2022 Fall convention in Kalamazoo). It was agreed that we would apply to sponsor the Fall convention in 2022 in Kalamazoo. **D. Montera confirmed that Roger Lewis accepted our request to sponsor the Fall 2022 convention in Kalamazoo.**

It was noted that we should have our convention committee chairs identified by February, 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Craig Roney, Secretary

Minutes Approved: