

Greater Detroit Chapter, Barbershop Harmony Society

Monthly Meeting (via Zoom)

May 17, 2021

Attendees: Ted Barbret, George Burkett, Geoff d'Allemand, Joe DeSantis, Jim Kunz, John Marsh, Craig Roney, Mike Schulte.

Absent: Carl Jones, Keith Opal.

Guests: Dave Montera, Steve Sutherland

The meeting was convened at 6:51 PM by President DeSantis.

G. Burkett moved and G. d'Allemand seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 12, 2021. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: M Schulte: M. Schulte posted the financial report for April, 2021. Cash on hand totaled \$42,969.62. D. Montera will check with City Lights regarding the \$200 payment for the old risers. M. Schulte will check to see if the chorus has received payment from Harmony Foundation for donations made by our members earmarked for distribution to the chapter (@ \$53).

Music Team Report: J. Kunz: The Music Team met (zoom) on May 3, 2021. There are no upcoming performances but the district convention is still scheduled for October, 2021.

Chapter Development & Membership: G. d'Allemand: Geoff has contacted Robyn Newsome (Royal Oak School District) who indicated that we will be invited back into the RO Middle School as soon as the general public is permitted admission. He reported no change in the guidelines from the Oakland County Health Dept. regarding precautions for singing during the Covid crisis. Singing is not restricted but is also not encouraged. For the Oakwood Cemetary grave cleaning, 5 members participated the first Saturday while 4 members participated on the second Saturday.

Geoff will craft a survey to assess the continued participation of roster members post Covid restrictions. The intent is to encourage continued participation when we resume face-to-face rehearsals and meetings.

Geoff has continued participation at the District Contact Agent Meetings (headed by Paul Ellinger).

Program Report: G. Burkett: There was a brief discussion regarding holding a Jug Night event or, more likely, a picnic in the future depending on progress against the Covid crisis. Neither is planned for the immediate future.

Old Business: J. DeSantis: A donation to Harmony Foundation in Bob Kramb's name still needs to be made. T. Uicker will reactivate our postal permit (\$245.00 fee).

New Business: J. DeSantis: No new business.

C. Roney moved and G. Burkett seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted: Craig Roney, Secretary

Minutes Approved: June 21, 2021