

THE PINE BARONS BARBERSHOP CHORUS



Cherry Hill, New Jersey Chapter J-022

Society for the **P**reservation and **E**ncouragement of **B**arber **S**hop **Q**uartet **S**inging in **A**merica

Barbershop **H**armony **S**ociety

January 24, 2019

Called To Order: 7:08pm, Singing "the Old Songs, Down Our Way"

Pres, Bruce Barker, present

Treasurer, Mike Thornton, present

VP Music, Mike Weaver, present

Sec't'y, Rich Jones, present

VP Business & Events, Chris Bush, not present

Membership, Jim Scollay, present

VP Program, Steve Ritz, not present

Member At Large, Rocco Rosetti, present

Chuck Edgerton, absent

Randy Deger, present

John Celani, absent

Marketing & Printing, George Neff, present & Ann Neff, present

Social Media, Andrew Clare, present

Technology, Web development, Webmaster, Jim Dodd, present, Joel Schwartz, absent

Chapter Music Librarian, John Brook, not required, not present

Chapter Advocate, Herbert "Bud" Miller, not present

Music Director, Rich Gray, Jr., not required, not present

Quorum present, OK to continue meeting.

Agenda –

Upcoming:

- Singing Valentines Feb. 13-15
- Veterans Ceremony, Woodland Ave Presbyterian Church, Camden, 2/16
- Cadbury 3/18
- Spring show 4/13
- Division convention 5/18
- See the Pine Nuggets for other upcoming gigs, etc.

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Opening Song: "The Old Songs"**
- III. **Singing Valentines**
- IV. **2019 Budget**
- V. **Groupanizer options**
- VI. **Old Business**
 - Jim Scollay proposals re music educator scholarship / internship
- VIII. **New Business**
- IX. **Announcements/Good of the Order**
- X. **Closing song: "Keep the Whole World Singing"**

Music Director Contract: : Mike T. presenting the changes. Discussion of the historical aspects. Need Board Approval? Passed around to vote later in meeting. Removed the mid-year review by board.

Treasurer: Summary, switch from Quicken to Quick Books is taking much longer than anticipated. TD Bank reports must be manually entered into Quicken. No audit trail in Quicken. TD Bank upgrade in security meant that Quicken not supported. Transfer from Quicken to Quick Books requires only two revisions behind, didn't work in the 2016 version. Dual accounting needed to verify that the two programs are tracking. Discussion of our financial setup for the new board members.

Not prepared to present 2019 budget, need clarity in the social media accounts.

Webmaster: : Jim Dodd presenting on the Groupanizer application. Front end (public face) is flexible, easy add for buttons, etc. Chorus functions for management, music features, section leaders can do the maintenance, riser placements, etc. Jim recommends getting the front end (public face), with the chorus management functions. Not the patrons tools, yet. Events management by that person, events get posted to the public page automatic. Smart phone friendly.

Must maintain both for a couple months, until members get familiar, content gets transferred, etc.

Motion to follow Jim's recommendation; front end and chorus management. Seconded. Discussion.

Voice vote to adopt passes, no opposed.

Singing Valentines: Ready to go, 8 jobs in tracking, candy order placed, flowers order(Jim Scollay). Suggested to have an observer with Rich Jones to learn how to do this (Rich J final time). Jim Dodd ad budget for Facebook \$100, Google ad budget ??, jim owns the www.pinebarons.org domain; needs to transfer to some entity. 2018 reimbursed Jim Dodd \$123.00 Bruce requests the team work out a budget for the SV campaign. Offer quartets to go sing in Whole Foods, malls, advertise our SV program.

Old business: music educator scholarship; update, maybe not this season for Burjis Cooper. Mike Weaver contact.

MeetUp, Constant Contact: review with board to continue, or not.

Leadership Academy: six signed up thus far. Check went out to Rob France.

Membership: Guests status discussed. Holiday singers returning. Adam Schecter joined society, needs to join district, and chapter. Assigned riser buddy Jeff Knightly (lead). Guest books missing Polecat books, Jim Scollay wants to purchase ten books. No need for board action if within Membership budget.

Name badges: rec to order from Society. Members within the past two years may need these. First badge purchase by chorus, next is \$10. Order through Jim to avoid the shipping. Not requiring all members to buy. Discussion.

Motion that Pine barons use the Society badge, new members going forward, existing members may order first time. Bulk order through Jim. Seconded. Discussion. Vote passed.

Vocal lessons for new members: Chorus pay for two lessons; Jeff W OK with that, \$50 for two half-hour, \$90 for two one-hour lessons. Discussion.

Motion to offer each new member their choice of two half-hour, or one hour lessons with Jeffrey Wienand at his studio, to be used within six months of official membership. Seconded. Vote passes.

Ritz Theater Production: offered to do a show at the Ritz, split ticket sales 50/50. Summer concert. No facility fee, cross marketing through their program, tied into a guest night August 12 at St. Andrews. Ticket price negotiable.

High School musicals ad books: place ads in their books. Need copy material. Task to George? Format keyed to musical, time of year, etc.

Photo of chorus members: Joel Schwartz to take. (use for new website)

Music Director contract: check for prior year date.

Motion to approve contract. Seconded, vote passes.

Class C,D shirt: Jeff Knightly, Rocco to research.

Ready Set Sing: how many this year? One.

Budget meeting Feb 21, documents out week prior.

Quintones won GOLD at Mid-Winter, Next Gen Youth.

Motion to Adjourn. 9:20pm "Keep The Whole World Singing"

v/r

Richard Jones, Secretary 2019