

Nov. board meeting

To board <board@pinebarons.org>

Notes on the Nov. 21 Board Meeting

Refer to the draft agenda that was emailed Nov. 21.

No quorum was obtained. Present were Bruce Barker, Mike Thornton, Rocco Rossetti, Chris Bush, Jay Dorfman as guest, and after 8:00 pm Jim Scollay. Chapter issues were discussed from 7:00 until 9:30 pm.

Added to agenda and discussed:

The need to update business cards. This was simply mentioned.

Rent increase: St. Andrews has charged \$725 / quarter for more than a decade. They would now like to raise the rent to probably \$800 / quarter. Chuck Edgerton is conducting the negotiations in consultation with the chapter president. He is seeking a multi-year freeze - ideally a five-year freeze - at the higher level.

Jay offered to produce a graphic tutorial on downloading music to iPhones and Android phones.

Jay said he is available to do program book layouts.

Someone pointed out that a title (or concept) for the 2020 spring show is needed so the show can be advertised in the Holiday show booklet.

A \$300 check from the Woodland Ave. Presbyterian Church bounced. Chris Bush will call them.

Jim Scollay asked if he could send a customer an invoice. Mike said he would do this as it's the treasurer's role.

Preferred date for the 2020 planning meeting: Early January was the consensus.

Bruce proposed finding a new chapter historian.

Bruce said he would contact Eric Herr and Bud Miller to set up officer initiation.

Bruce will research the cost, if any, of multi-user access to the desktop or online version of QuickBooks. The motivation is that there should be an assistant or backup treasurer, and/or a bookkeeper.

Discussion of agenda items:

A draft 2020 budget exists but will be presented to the board only after word from the county on the grant, which is expected within a couple of weeks. Expect the budget at the December meeting. Officers should submit budget requests to the Treasurer.

Preferred date for the December board meeting: Two board members have conflicts Dec. 19. Tuesday, Dec. 17, is the proposed date. Bruce is seeking feedback from more board members on this.

Jim is canceling the Dec. 16 intrachapter quartet competition due to lack of expressed interest.

Mike sent a draft show contract with Mainstage to Tal Kramer for legal review prior to sending it to Mainstage.

Mike volunteered to continue as the 2019 Holiday Show ad coordinator/collector and as the negotiator for the 2020 director's contract.

Rocco and others called for the director's contract to provide a financial incentive to promote the director's attendance at the most important singouts. Jay offered to draft some language regarding this.

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Bruce Barker, president