

THE VERNON CHORALE, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting #4: Season 2021-2022 Date/Time: October 12, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, Vernon, CT

I. Call to order – 6:30 pm

Present: Cindy Trenholm, Julie Bezanson, Ehren Brown, Kirby Stalley, Liz Whiteley, Sarah Maldonado, James Burr, Kate Adams; On Zoom: Bruce Jones, Jeanne Allie

II. Acceptance of minutes - minutes were accepted

III. Reports

A. President

- a. April concert/production week rehearsals all set for St. Bernard – Friday's rehearsal should be around 8:00 (church event ends at 7:45)
- b. There are live streaming capabilities – they will find us a volunteer to run it
- c. Thank you letter/update sent to Cricket Foundation – thanks to them, we can plan a season!
- d. Homepage updated, videos on past seasons, date of concert, etc.; history needs to be added again
- e. Need updated photo for website – before Dec. concert?
- f. Sent in a blurb about VC for Chorus America's "Rediscovering Harmony" Social media campaign.
- g. Ken Bartschi's law firm will be our corporate sponsor again, but a family foundation has withdrawn their support in order to support organizations in need

B. Treasurer – Report has been submitted in writing (located in google drive folder for this meeting), opened to questions, no questions, report accepted

C. Artistic Director –

- a. Being in church so spaced is providing a few issues, but we are figuring it out as we go.
- b. Would love to have longer rehearsals
- c. Not sure what will happen to repertoire as it relates to 50 min rehearsals – waiting to see as we go forward

D. Publicity –

- a. We have submitted an article to Vernon Voice – coming out in November
- b. Welcome back message to audience went out last week.

IV. Unfinished Business

- A. VC Music Library – Cindy will bring a box to collect music from people willing to donate music – Kurt will bring his collection of music to Cindy, Cindy will bring it to Bruce

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- B. 2021-22 Season
 - a. Capital Campaign – in process, packets went out, mail chimp went out
 - b. Celebrating the joy of singing – Cindy confirmed with Ehren and Kirby what to write in “blurbs” for programs, etc. – Concert titles due before November 1st
- C. By-Laws – nothing new to report

V. New Business

- A. Treasurer help – Bruce will need assistance with collection of monies and materials while recovering from surgery
 - a. Checks/cash (SEPARATELY NOTED AND DOCUMENTED)
 - b. Materials for ads
 - c. Bruce will pass on info soon about making deposits, checking account info, passwords, etc.
 - d. James will be able to take over all of these tasks as assistant treasurer
- B. COVID protocols
 - a. Most board members are in agreement that the research and recommendations from the aerosol studies has not changed, so we should not yet change our protocols
 - b. The idea was proposed that we could spend time at the beginning listening/audiating to extend rehearsal time
 - c. We will probably end up singing the concert masked
 - d. Board agrees to continue to enforce masks - Ehren agreed to enforce this during rehearsal
 - e. Rehearsal time will be extended starting next week

Next board meeting November 9, 2021 6:30 pm St. John's

VI. Adjournment