

THE VERNON CHORALE, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting #8: Season 2021-2022 Date/Time: February 8, 2022 - 6:30p.m.

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church

- I. **Call to Order** 6:34 PM
In attendance: Bruce Jones, James Burr, Jeanne Allie, Kate Adams, Cindy Trenholm, Sarah Maldonado, Ehren Brown, Kirby Stalley
Attending Virtually: Liz Whiteley
- II. Acceptance of minutes – minutes were approved
- III. Reports
 - A. President:
 - i. Piano rental scheduled for April concert w/ River Valley Piano. Cost is \$990.00 (includes delivery, pick up and a tuning)
 - ii. All details confirmed w/ St. Bernard Church for production week, reminder: no access for Friday rehearsal until 8 pm (but we can meet to warm up in hall below church)
 - iii. Sound engineer wants to be there for Friday rehearsal for livestream test – will ask if he can do Wednesday instead so he has time to set up equipment before rehearsal
 - iv. Reminder – can start concert a few minutes late so sound engineer has time for setup
 - v. Reminder – no snow date for this concert
 - B. Treasurer:
 - i. Current balance: \$32,585.87
 - ii. Income: 75% of grant has come in, plus a small donation from a Facebook fundraiser
 - iii. Spending: Money paid to St. Bernard, David Pettyjohn, sheet music, normal operations, fees
 - iv. For more detail, see treasurer report in Google Drive folder
 - C. Artistic Director:
 - i. Things are going well, Kirby doing great things, looking forward to point to have more time for longer rehearsals
 - ii. Mask question – will be interesting to see what happens in the rest of society – keep eyes open, let's see what happens, probably no more aerosol studies, we will have to wait and see what happens, I doubt we will change our plan before the April concert
 - iii. A discussion of masking, mitigation strategies, etc. followed
 - iv. Kate will send a survey this week about extending rehearsal time; options: keep to 50 min, 90 min straight, normal 2 hours

IV. Publicity – nothing to report

V. Unfinished business

a) April concert prep

i. Discussion of ticket sales:

- a) Sarah agreed to spearhead Ludus ticket sales again, asked about whether we might switch to fully digital ticket sales
 - a. A discussion ensued – nothing was finalized, but we agreed to discuss further
 - b. We will probably end up printing hard copies for certain situations
 - c. We will revisit the question of singers being required to sell a certain number of tickets in the near future
- b) By March 1st, ticket sales on Ludus will be set up
- c) Sarah will investigate: crediting singers for ticket sales on Ludus, how a digital box office might work for singers to purchase tickets at rehearsal; will report back

B. Conducting Fellow search– Liz and Ehren will touch base; March 1st deadline

C. By-Laws – nothing new to report

VI. Next board meeting: March 8, 2022; St. John’s Episcopal Church

VII. Adjournment