

The Vernon Chorale, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting #3: Season 2022-2023 Date/Time: September 13, 2022 - 6:30 pm
Location: St. John's Episcopal Church (523 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, CT 06066)

1. Call to order – 6:36 PM
 - a. In attendance: Liz Whiteley, Cindy Trenholm, Sarah Maldonado, Bruce Jones, Julie Bezanson, Ehren Brown, Kate Adams
2. Acceptance of Minutes – Accepted unanimously
3. Reports
 - a. President
 - i. Recording engineer Justin Kurtz will be able to record for us again
 - ii. Deacon Mike from St. Bernard Church will work together with Justin for livestreaming – Sarah M. will be the contact person
 - iii. Guest musicians have signed their contracts
 - iv. First Congregational Church of Vernon has been confirmed as April concert venue
 - v. Confirmed with board members that when mask policy requires masks for rehearsal, they need only be used during singing, not during discussion
 - vi. Merits of choral programs
 - vii. Greg Flower informed us this past weekend he would not be able to be conducting fellowship position
 1. Choices: Go without or perhaps audition a choral fellow
 2. Ehren will discuss the option of auditioning with choral fellows
 3. Will also announce at rehearsal, perhaps membership knows of someone interested
 - viii. First social event was a success – clear that people want more – social chair will survey the group for interests/availability
 - ix. Roster is complete, will be sent to Treasurer and Secretary for updating information
 - b. Treasurer
 - i. Current balance 23,722.65
 1. \$1.45 from Travelers donation
 2. \$50 for registration fee
 3. \$500 to St. John's for rehearsal space
 4. \$1014.81 for sheet music
 5. \$30.34 website/zoom
 6. Membership dues for chamber of commerce paid
 - ii. M&T transfer – all has been ok so far, keeping an eye on things
 - iii. Music costs will be available next week
 - iv. Approved unanimously
 - c. Artistic Director
 - i. Conducting fellow situation (discussed previously in meeting)
 - ii. Instrumentalists for concert secured
 - iii. Venue for concert secured
 - iv. Excited to get started
 - d. Publicity – Nothing new to report
 - e. Development –
 - i. Contacted cricket foundation, have not heard back
 - ii. Attended CT Humanities Grant info session – will apply again; guaranteed \$5000 if eligible – due November 4th
 - iii. Member of Tolland County Chamber of Commerce – officially on website and in directory

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- iv. Attending grant writing workshop October 5th
 - v. Discussion of our organization's three most important goals for grant application
- 4. Unfinished business
 - a. Ordering conducting podium – not discussed
 - b. Printed programs vs. QR code – not discussed - will refer to Chorus America article at future meeting for discussion
- 5. New business
 - a. Conducting Fellow Search – discussed earlier in meeting
- 6. Adjournment – 7:16 PM

Next board meeting October 11, 2022 6:30 pm at St. John's