

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)

- I. Call to order
- II. Acceptance of Minutes
 - A. Minutes from August 23, 2022, meeting [here](#) *(Please review prior to 9/13 meeting)
- III. Reports
 - A. President*
 - B. Treasurer
 - C. Artistic Director
 - D. Publicity
 - E. Development
- IV. Unfinished business
 - A. Ordering conducting podium
 - B. Printed programs vs. QR code
- V. New business
 - A. Conducting Fellow Search

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

- VI. Adjournment

***President's Report:**

- Recording engineer, Justin Kurtz, confirmed to record for us again this season
 - Deacon Mike from St. Bernard will work with Justin as December concert approaches to solidify agreeable time schedule for recording equipment setup, so Justin won't have to drive to Vernon a second time for a concert week rehearsal
 - Once again, St. Bernard has generously agreed to livestream the performance for us – Kate Berstene is available again for this task; Deacon Mike wondered if Sarah Maldonado would be his contact person again this year for coordinating live streaming links
- Guest musicians have signed their contracts for December: Sarah Goss on harp; Lindsey Clark on violin
- I've been in contact with Stephanie Howard from FCCV regarding performing our April concert at their church; she just confirmed today that these dates will work on their end
- Question about color codes: are we okay with saying that while at the yellow level we can still talk to one another without masks and just pull them up to sing? (I'm thinking this makes sense, but just hoped to come to a consensus here prior to announcing it to membership, as a whole.)
- There has been a great discussion about the merits vs. potential disadvantages of having a printed program vs. a digital program on the Chorus America email forum I receive at the VC President email; however, for tonight I don't think it behooves us to

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discuss this at great length, since we have more pressing issues at hand. I did just want to mention it, so I could at least make you all aware that someone else asked about it, so I could speak a tiny bit to the 'unfinished business' on this topic

- Greg Flower informed us this past weekend that he'd have to step down and not accept the Conducting Fellow opportunity, due to schedule constraints caused by 2 new jobs
 - Possible solution Ehren came up with is to see if we could garner interest from one of this year's choral fellows to audition for the conducting fellowship in lieu of choral fellowship
- First social event of the season at Elicit Brewing on Saturday, 9/11, was a success!
 - Attendees reported having a great time
 - Some who had initially planned on coming had a last-minute change of plans and expressed their regrets in advance
 - People want MORE of this – many of the members who did respond to the invitation expressed great disappointment that they had scheduling conflicts for this particular date, but that they'd love to join us in the future if we planned something similar
- Ask Bruce if we know music costs yet – just want to check if I can include it in our first announcements (sorry if you've already told us this, Bruce)
- Ask Ehren to go over section leader roles during announcements