**Pemigewasset Choral Society**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**August 26, 2019**

**In Attendance**: Sarah Bunkley, Deborah Corr, Eileen Curran-Kondrad, Joel Funk, Will Gunn, Dan Hale, Kay Hanson, Ed Loranger, Ann Nichols, Marilyn Pomerantz, Anita Ross, Logan Ross, Susan Scrimshaw, Allan Stern, Sara Willingham

President Ann Nichols welcomed the Board back to our new rehearsal/concert season.

Ann has the Silver Hall use contract for Pemi from PSU. Everything in the contract is the same as last year. $1,500 for both semesters is due tonight. Ann wants to see if we can split our payment, $750 for this semester and $750 for the spring semester.

Will looked into why PSU had made it difficult for Pemi to record the spring concert at Silver Hall. Chris Mega has not been securing royalties for his recordings. This could be a liability for both Pemi and PSU. We will need to make sure we are selling our recordings within the Pemi membership and not selling them to the public.

Further discussion on this will be needed at our September Board Meeting.

**By Laws**

The Pemi By Laws were last updated on October 16, 2017. The major intent of tonight’s meeting is to review the By Laws with the Board to ensure that all Board Members are familiar with them.

The By Laws are meant to be a general guiding document. Limitations are prevented by not including specific detailed instructions.

Ann focused on sections of By Law Articles that need our attention and adherence.

**Article III Membership**

C.2 The students who are awarded the Swift Scholarship may sing with Pemi for free. (They will not be charged a music fee.)

**E. Membership requirements:**

Ann publicizes the meeting dates well in advance so that membership can adjust their plans accordingly. We need to apply our laws fairly to all. We need to do this to insure that our performances are of the highest quality. For any more than 3 absences, it is up to Will’s discretion as to whether that person can continue to sing with Pemi.

People need to be prompt. Weekly sectionals are not required but are highly recommended.

**Article IV B**

Ann called our attention to the odd and even numbered year that determine when terms of office change. This September we need to fill an At Large Position. Justin Stratton has resigned from the Board.

**Article IV E**

A quorum of 8 members is needed to hold a meeting.

**Article V**

The Silver Hall Brochure with all the arts activities for the entire school year is compiled in the late spring. This forces the directors to make programming decisions earlier than they would like to. This needs to be a topic for a regular Board Meeting.

Ann has placed the Annual Meeting on the schedule/calendar that is available to the Pemi Membership.

**Article VI Committees and Archivist**

It is up to Board members to get a committee together to help them if they need help performing their duties.

**Article IX**

Rules can be change by a 2/3 vote of the membership.

There will be no rehearsal on Labor Day (Monday, September 2nd)

**Library:**

Sarah Bunkley asked for suggestions of what to do with the music that is being culled from the library’s music collection. Will had some suggestions of who might want the music.

In the past Ed Loranger remembered to make reservations for the Pease Library Meeting Room. Now that he has retired from the Board, Allan Stern has volunteered to take over this responsibility.

Because meetings are at 5pm the Board Members are encouraged to bring their own bag supper to Board Meetings.

The **next meeting** of the Pemi Board of Directors will be on Monday, September 9th, 5:00pm at the Pease Library.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Kay Hanson, Secretary for the Pemi Choral Society Board of Directors