The Pemigewasset Choral Society

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Monday 4 October 2021

5 PM Pease Public Library

Present: Robbin Adams, Sue Chadwick, Eileen Curran-Kondrad, Deborah Corr, William Gunn, Dan Hale, Marilyn Pomerantz, Anita Ross, Logan Ross, Susan Scrimshaw, Allan Stern.

Absent: Mary Hazelton, Sara Willingham, Sarah Bunkley

The minutes of last week’s meeting were approved by Eileen and seconded by Allan.

Director’s Report – Will

Air Purifier – Appropriate air purifiers are backordered until February. The board gave Will the go ahead to order them anyway.

Spring concert venues – Will plans to tour the Colonial Theater in Laconia where rental cost is about $3000. Audience capacity is about the same as Hanaway Theater.

November 9 rehearsal is also Will’s tech rehearsal at PRHS. He may cancel PCS or have AJ direct the chorus.

Fudge fundraising – PRHS is sponsoring this at Christmas. Should we move it to later?

Risers – Should we use PSU risers? Eileen will contact Valerie Sargent to see if her husband will help again.

Marilyn asked if we’ll have a sing-a-long at our December concert. Will indicated that if we’re required to wear masks, we won’t have a sing-a -long.

Acting President’s Report – Marilyn

Dan confirmed our venues at Gilford (Dec 2) and Franklin (Dec 3) – Masks required

Gilford cleaning fee - $50 This is over and above our donation of $100.

AJ Coppola will do the final inspection

Swift Scholarship – Dan (attached) We have three winners. Tyler Nadeau attended our meeting today and plans to join PCS. Kaci Cochran is another winner who will attend later. Adam Mayon will be our PSU contact on the Swift scholarship. He will apprise students of their responsibilities to PCS as winners.

Maple syrup/honey fundraising – Dan distributed handouts on honey/maple syrup. Orders must be received by November 8.

Vice President’s Report – Marilyn

We have issues tracking attendance for singers on zoom. Some attend on zoom and some come to our rehearsals. Will agreed to talk to those on zoom regarding singing in the concerts.

Treasurer’s Report- Deb (attached) Deb distributed the budget at our last rehearsal.

Nominating Committee – Dan No report

Publicity Report – Anita Ross, Logan Ross and Susan Scrimshaw.

Anita announced that the cover design for the program is underway. It will be used for posters and bookmarks as well.

Susan announced that Peter Adams created a table top banner to be placed near the collection baskets. Our thanks to Peter Adams.

Sue Chadwick will be writing pre-concert press releases, as well as social media and website stories. She plans to email Will requesting information on the choral pieces. For another press release, she will check with Dan for more information on Swift Scholarship recipients.

Fundraising Committee Report

Letters with remit envelope will be sent out dated November 8.

Minuteman Press was very helpful. Susan and Robbin will work on the usual ads. Hopefully chorus members will get ads also. Voice section ads are due October 18.

Librarian Report – Sarah B. No report

Wardrobe Report – Eileen

Marilyn asked if we should change our look to all black? The board agreed that tenors and basses will wear black dress shirts and black pants. Sopranos and altos will also wear all black. No scarves and no bow ties will be worn.

Other Business

Carol Zink, A2, suggests that Heart & Hands, Meredith is good place for inexpensive black clothes.

Allan (webmaster) reported that board minutes are now available for downloading from the Pemi website once they are officially approved.

Will informed us that PSU will not permit PCS to be offered as a credit course. We are non-profit and they want their students to sing in their PSU chorale.

Motion to adjourn was made by Eileen and seconded by Allan.

Next Board Meeting – November 1 2021 at Pease Public Library at 5 PM.