

NAPERVILLE CHORUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MARCH 9, 2022

ATTENDEES: Rachel Brooks, Paul Fries, Chuck Jonah, Margo Jonah, Katy Goldsborough, Shannon Sprunger, Patrice Basso

CALL TO ORDER: Shannon began the meeting at 7:06 pm

MINUTES: Paul moved to approve February minutes with suggested edits. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL: Paul noted that the December concert money from North Central College was received. There is a cash balance of \$103,000.00. The Chorus will break even this year with the forecast showing \$93,000 in the bank. This does not include the cost of upgrading the Chorus IT platform which could increase costs by several thousand dollars each year. A future board may have to consider dues/ticket increases if necessary. Paul also stated that the grant money received the past 2 years has been higher than previous years.

OPERATIONS: Shannon brought up Joy's suggestion to increase the pay for Cam and Axle since they are assisting with warm-ups, sectionals besides room set up. This would be half of the traditional student scholarships. Chuck moved to increase the pay to \$250.00. Motion carried.

BYLAW UPDATE: Shannon will send the final copy to the Board in 2 days. Rachel will send out an automated email to membership. There was a brief discussion of the Disaster Clause. Board agreed the addition was needed due to the ramifications of the pandemic. There was support for the addition of a Fundraising Chair as one of 4 Standing Committee chairs along with Operations, Membership and Marketing. Grammar and consistent wording was achieved with help from Paul, Chuck and Margo. Elected officers such as Directors- At- Large can be a member of a committee which would allow them to participate more. Some specifics of Chorus roles were removed with a notation to Refer to Chorus Document Repository which will provide a folder with additional information for each position. These can be updated as responsibilities change.

ADA COMPLIANCE: Margo is working on a 27 page workbook for the Illinois Arts Council to meet their requirements that we show ADA compliance. Sarah Sippy has agreed to be the ADA Coordinator for the Chorus.

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION: Joy asked Elisabeth Case to chair a committee to coordinate plans to celebrate Pete's retirement in the fall 2022. The committee will submit a budget to the board for consideration.

LIFETIME AWARD: The board will honor Jim Fancher with a plaque and special presentation at an April rehearsal.

TECH/WEBSITE UPDATE: Katy and Rachel watched demos. Katy said that company couldn't link Quickbooks and uses a separate Web builder. Shannon said Neon is more expensive and is likely more

than the Chorus needs. She liked the look and usability of Donorview and thinks that will be the better choice if the board agrees to move forward with an upgrade in the future.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.