

TMSS Annual Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 7:45 P.M.

St. John United Lutheran Church
5515 Phinney Ave N.
Seattle, WA 98103

Meeting called to order at 7:45 p.m.

1. Review and approve 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes (November 29, 2022)
 - a. Stephen moved to approve; Carla seconded.
 - b. Motion carried.
2. 2023 Board Member Election by Members
 - a. Deborah and Elaine leaving board
 - b. Sara new secretary
 - c. Carla new VP
 - d. Kim resigning as treasurer
 - i. Need new treasurer
 - e. More board members needed!
 - f. Gary moved to approve new board; Marilyn seconded.
3. Finance & Fundraising
 - a. 2024 Budget
 - i. We have a projected loss of \$7,500 for 2024
 1. Several large donations, but monthly giving way down
 2. Members encouraged to donate!
 3. Chris added that while we have often projected a loss, we have historically ended up “in the black” and we do have a considerable cushion in the bank. If we do end in a loss, it will be the first time.
 - ii. Vicki voted to approve the 2024 budget; Abigail seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Zettle Upcharge
 - i. ???
 - c. Fundraising updates
 - i. Cookbooks
 1. Selling like hotcakes! Only 20 left as of Annual Meeting. We have placed another order so that we have some for the concert.
 - ii. 2023 Rummage Sale
 1. Participation was good, but we did not make enough money. A member opined that perhaps we shouldn’t do the rummage sale again for a while?
 - iii. Brown Bear Car Wash Tickets
 1. Sales have been good!
4. Awards
 - a. Board Award – Sara presented

- i. Korie Voorheis
 - b. Spirit Award – Elaine presented
 - i. Deborah Stewart
 - c. President’s Award – Birdie presented
 - i. Randy Howard
 - d. Director’s Award – Chris presented
 - i. Brenda Leonard
- 5. Artistic Director’s Comments – Chris Vincent, Artistic Director
 - a. Chris voiced serious concerns about the future.
 - b. 2024 will be the 20th anniversary of The Market Street Singers, and Chris would like to do a 20th anniversary concert sometime in September.
 - c. We have never had so few basses and tenors! How do we attract them? We have hired two people to help with the December concert.
 - d. More consistent attendance is needed.
 - e. Having Scott around as Executive Director has been extremely beneficial.
 - f. Possible May concert?
 - g. Chris thanks everyone for being so accommodating.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.