

OCC General Meeting: September 6, 2017

Attending: Alia Ayer, Anna Nelson, Ann Levin, Bill Middleton, Birch Moonwomon, Blythe Klein, Bob Bulwa, Brittany Lobo, Carl Culberson, Caroline Duarte, Christina Wolfe-Lee, David Shoemaker, Denise Meier, Diane Masura, Ellen Robin, Eric Swan, Gordon Stubbe, Harry North, Irene Stratton, Janine Bamberger, Jasmine Lawrence, Jeff Sengstack, Jim Gleaves, Jules Dantin, Julie Middleton, Kandi Cogliandro, Kathy Horan, Kelly McCool, Laura Larrecou, Lisa Fiorelli, Maria Culberson, Melanie Case, Nadja Masura, Rachel Adair Dawson, Reta Lockert, Richard Levin, Ruby Mushkin, Sarah Saulsbury, Sharon Koehler, Stephen Considine, Stephen Leander, Sue Nosker, Sue Smith

The minutes of the previous general meeting are approved.

Treasurers' report. The budget is presented. We had a small net loss last year; concert revenue was unimpressive, but with the help and support of our generous community, we're mostly getting by. It is noted that there are jingles in the budget; this will be subject to the Program Committee's discretion. A motion is introduced to accept the budget; the motion passes.

Dues. The treasurers are collecting dues for the year. Assistance is available for those unable to pay the full amount; applications should be turned in to the Board as soon as possible. Assistance is also available for the retreat, although it is requested that those receiving it opt for the cheapest available lodgings.

An **orientation** will be held after rehearsal on September 13. New members are encouraged to attend.

Maria will be sending out a calendar with relevant dates for the choir season. Jasmine is updating the roster for the current semester. Both of these documents will be distributed soon.

The **Public Relations Committee** wants to increase attendance for Spring concerts, and *floats* the idea of participating in a couple of parades. There is a call for a show of hands of people who'd be interested in helping with this; Jules directs them to talk to her. Additionally, the PRC is accepting ideas for the poster for our Winter concert; the deadline for contributions is September 27.

Steve Considine reports that the storage closet has been cleaned out, and our files are now safely locked away in there. Jules and Diane helped! Thanks, Jules and Diane!

Lyrics submissions are currently being accepted for the Spring concert. The theme is "The Great Wheel." The deadline for submissions is September 22.

In the previous general meeting, it was decided that the **Program Committee's minutes** should be posted in a more timely fashion. After some back-and-forth discussion on how this should be implemented and how important it is, there is a motion that the Program Committee post its minutes within a month. The motion passes.

Artist in Residence. The Program Committee will be tapping Bonnie Brooks to be the AIR for the Spring season. Sarah reports that she has made contact with Bonnie, and that Bonnie is on board. The Board will finalize this.

The meeting is adjourned.

Submitted by
Jasmine Lawrence, Secretary