

Towne Singers Board Meeting

Minutes
October 27, 2008

The meeting was brought to order by President Ken Kimball at 6pm. The Board members present: Mary Betlach, Ginny Mole, Wayne Meseburg, Beverly Jones, Dick Emerson and Chuck Hains.

Finance and personnel: Dick Emerson reported that to date we have \$19,047.51 in checking and \$3,498.58 in reserve for a total of \$22,546.09.

Checks outstanding are in the amount of \$3,176.55. Our expenses through the end of the month are \$1,922.50 primarily for wages.

Carnegie Hall participants will be assessed another \$30.00 for music and rehearsals.

President: Ken Kimball announced that Vykke Bradford's resignation was due to her new job. Vykke felt that she was unable to perform her duties for Towne Singers due to the pressures put upon her by her work schedule. Kellye Wallett will assume the position as Artistic Director

We have a recording session on Nov. 3rd and the 10th at First united Methodist Church. Dick Emerson has been asked to check on all the costs associated with this rehearsal.

Changes to the by-laws regarding the election process of officers have been proposed. See attached. Elections will be held in May starting in 2009. Each section will elect a section leader eliminating the total choir vote.

Sylvia Holmes will be finding a restaurant that will give us a portion of the revenue taken in by Towne singers on concert day.

Ken stated that he has received information that some new members cannot match pitch. The pathway in this situation would be that the section leader should take the problem to the Director. Ken will clarify the policy on testing new members.

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Artistic Director: A budget was read off for the artistic committee to follow. The orchestra budget will be \$3000.00 , props \$400.00, costumes \$600.00, videographer \$500.00 and \$100.00 location for solos totaling \$4600.00

Marketing and Promotions: Mary Betlach proposed that we get a sponsor for the Towne Singers. Perhaps Sport Chalet would be a good start. Ken stated that Wayne should pursue this job. Last year Ticket sales fell short and it was decided that we encourage people to try to sell at least six tickets. A gift incentive program for the sale of the most tickets was suggested. It was proposed that we make Christmas gifts of our tickets and our new CD.

Development : It was suggested that Wayne Meseburg seek grant options to pay for musicians , CD's, or venue expenses.

Proposed spring concert dates are May 30, 31st or June 7 and 8th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Kimball, President

Ginny Mole, Administration
