

Board Meeting Minutes July 14, 2025

Attending: Gia Viscardi President Sue Warren Fundraising Nathan Bill Past President Karen Sandberg Production

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Nancy Lauth Vice President Kathleen Meier Treasurer

Leslie Beahm Membership Colleen Parsley President Elect

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm. There is a guorum.
- 2. June Minutes amended and approved.
- 3. Financial Report (Kathleen)
 - a. We overestimated expenses (\$18,000 vs actual \$13,000. We budgeted for less income than we realized.
 - b. The California fire fund amounts to \$524 in donations and \$250 from Chorale. The donation window will be extended to August (an email will go out).
 - c. Budget will need revision due to May concert changing.
- 4. Priority Business
 - a. We will not be performing with Littleton Symphony Orchestra (LSO). We need \$5,000 and LSO offered \$1,500. The Stratus Orchestra is available and we can promote the Hagenberg piece. We need to decide if the May concert dates are 7 & 8 or 22 & 23.
 - b. We have had 4 candidates for the Marketing position reply.
 - c. Communication (Gareth absent). Thank you letters were discussed.
 - d. We will go to online ticketing in 2025-2026
 - e. A member-only online photo gallery was discussed. Perhaps taking photos when dues are paid in August.
- 5. Project Updates
 - a. The Board voted unanimously to hire Abby Kellems, our interim Grant writer.
 - Colleen is finalizing contracts. She will send this to Gia to review. In addition to our contract employees,
 Marketing is a new contract employee. We need to include in the contract that a contract employee is exempt from paying dues.
 - c. Gia is investigating concert security
 - d. Changing the annual vote to earlier in the spring is on Gia's list.
- 6. Committee Reports
 - a. Leatherman Lowdown. Mariachi groups are expensive to hire. Sue sent a mariachi group business card to Brian.
 - b. Fundraising (Sue)
 - i. Sue met with Pilar. The CCI grant was filed at the end of May.
 - ii. SCFD Grant: CCC asked for \$38,000 but will only receive \$29,000. We will research.
 - iii. Tagawa fundraiser will be held fall and spring.
 - iv. We are looking for grant proposals
 - v. The Kerr Foundation funding is project-oriented (i.e. \$5,000 for a Hagenberg concert, choral scholars, youth choir collaboration)
 - c. Membership (Leslie)
 - i. Leslie met with Kay and has all the boxes.
 - ii. We will need updated rosters.
 - d. Production
 - i. Karen needs the May concert dates ASAP.
 - e. Marketing
 - Auditions will be advertised. Margarita and Lavender are helping. Audition date is 7-28, with a backup date of 8-5.
- 7. On the Horizon
 - a. Showcase concert: Will would like this to be an annual event. He has asked for 3-14-26 for the concert date. CMI is available and will donate the venue.
- 8. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.
 - a. Respectfully submitted, wants to keep philanthropy in our annual budget.
 - b. Website will have a public and members-only site.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Lauth, Vice-President, acting secretary