

Suncoast Phoenix Community Choir  
Board Meeting  
February 7, 2024

Attending: Rachel, Sonia, Jane, Catherine, Susan, Nancy, Sheila, Stu, Sara  
Regrets: Mary

Call to order 5:32 PM

Motion to adopt the agenda Sheila/Nancy

Motion to accept the minutes of January 10, 2024 board meeting Nancy/Jane

Business arising:

Rehearsal space:

Plans to move choir rehearsals to St. John's United. The move is needed as soon as possible as the choir has outgrown the space at Living Faith. Discussion regarding how best to terminate our rental arrangement with Living Faith. Rachel will write a letter thanking the church for being such wonderful hosts and explaining the need for moving to a larger venue.

Motion: Provide compensation of \$400 for ending our rental, accompanied by the letter, with the intention of moving to St. John's for the February 15 rehearsal. Sheila/Catherine – approved

Fundraiser:

Catherine thanked her team for their hard work. She has provided a detailed written report of the finances to the board & attached to these minutes

Next steps: get feedback from the choir members regarding their experience. Do we want to undertake a similar fundraiser in the future? What went well, what could be done differently. Do they have any other fundraising ideas. Plans to distribute a survey at choir this Thursday to be returned at the end of rehearsal.

Reports:

Treasurer - Stu

Stu provided the financial report to the board by email & attached to these minutes

Music Director - Sara

Sara was thrilled with success of the fundraiser. She is excited about moving to St. John's as the space is larger, has better lighting and parking. The music is coming along. Sectionals will be planned after the Pirates of Penzance performances are done.

The choir has been entered in the music festival on April 23. The adjudicator this year is Frances Roberts. We will perform Rise Up My Love, I'm Just a Poor Wayfarin' Stranger and If Ever I Would Leave You.

We need to set a date for the solos concert and AGM. Sara suggested June 20<sup>th</sup> as an appropriate date. She will be away for at least a month after our concerts in May so asked the board to consider whether

we want to rent the church for members to prepare their solos, perhaps one or two dates to allow rehearsal with Tom. The board will consider this later in the year.

Librarian - Sonia

46 Christmas packages have been returned.

61 package of music have been distributed, 59 to choir members for the spring plus Tom & Sara

Publicity - Sheila

nothing to report

Concert Coordinator - Nancy

venues & risers have been confirmed for the spring concerts but no payments issued to date

Membership - Susan

We have 13 new members. Attendance has been good with over 50 people in person at rehearsals as well as several on Zoom. Susan will follow up with the people whose names are on the membership list but are not attending rehearsals.

President - Rachel

Rachel thanked the fundraising team for a job well done. She was sorry she had to miss it but had a very important family commitment in Ontario.

Next meeting March 13 at 7 PM

Motion to adjourn Sheila/Sonia - meeting adjourned at 6:19 PM