

The Chatham Chorale

Minutes of Board Meeting, August 20, 2019

Present: Tom Philips, Bud Ferris, Betsy Ferris, Mary Giorgio, Bill Leigh, Pat Antonucci, Mary Jo Nabywaniec, Chris Vancisin, Kathy Olsen, Shelly Sequin, Lynn Herbst.

Absent: Faith Little, Cindy O'Leary, Joe Mongelli, Joe Marchio

1. **Meeting called to order** by President Tom Philips at 7:04 p.m.
2. **Clerks Report. MOTION.** To accept the minutes of July 16, 2019 as amended. **VOTED/APPROVED.**
3. **Treasurer's Report.** The FY20 budget income and expense report through August 18th was presented by Bud Ferris, our Treasurer, and discussed among the Board members. It was noted that regular expenses for the Chorale continue through the Summer but there is essentially no income until the beginning of September when we collect member dues and send out our Annual Appeal letter toward the end of the month. In addition, Bud reported that according to our accountant, our taxes have been filed and our our Annual Reports for the years 2017, 2018 and 2019 have as well. Our Change in Officers documentation has been filed with the State and the physical address of the Chorale has been changed to reflect Joe Marchio's Church address (the original address of the Chorale).
MOTION. To approved the Treasurer's Report as presented.
VOTED/APPROVED. (Approved as attached.)
4. **Director's Report.** Reported by Tom Philips. The Chamber Singers concert for the Friends of Eldredge Library will not be taking place on November 17th but on February 9th instead, at the Eldredge Library in Chatham. Joe Marchio reports that the instrumental quartet is all set for the event as well as the Church and the reception afterwards in the Parish Hall.
The Symphony is asking for 20 Chorale singers for the Nantucket day trip on Sunday, December, the 15th .
The rehearsal schedule for the year will be ready any day now and this year the Holiday Pops roster is especially important in its development in that those going to Nantucket will be chosen from that roster of 40 – 52.

5. Committee Reports:

Tickets: Pat Antonucci reported that Steve Kuhrtz (responsible for Member Sales of tickets) had read over the wording about sell-tickets and thought it too vague in the way it was presented. He would like to discuss this with the Board at the next meeting. Mary Jo Nabywaniec reported that the tickets would be picked up from Minuteman Press this week and would be ready for labeling. The bill will be sent to Bud.

Development: Betsy will be calling a meeting for the grant-interested people of the development Committee for their input on the following grants:
the AFCC grant, the Cape Cod 5 Benefit grant, the Chatham Fund of Cape Cod Foundation grant and the New England Choral Society Alfred S. Paterson Grant.
She has spoken with Joe Mongelli in regards to Sponsorships and would like to meet to develop a strategy of Development in connection with Sponsorship.

Promotion: Lynn stated that Raif has reported that we are in the “profit” column for advertising.

Debbie Hearle, (Hearle) Gallery, designed their ad for our booklet and has given us permission to use her flag illustration in our promotions (for our Benefit Concert and Brochure).

Brochure: 8/25 – proofers

8/28 - back

Kim makes corrections – 9/3

Aiming for Merlin – 9/5

Stuffing – week of – 9/9

Program Booklet: Gene Sink writes all the biographies for the Booklet.

Contracts: Mary reports that we’re all set for all our applications for all our venues. The contracts for the musicians were sent out in May and we still need 4 back.

Web-Master: Bill reported that he has long disliked the environment of the current web-site, so he is renovating it. He will e-mail Mary Jo the actual URL, local address and a member’s

link.
(Web-Master: cont.)

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Ticket Order form will go on the web-site.
Mailing lists were sent to the Board but most of us received it as “spam” and ignored it. Bill will resend it in a revised form.
Let Bill know if you like this web master “chimp mail” email. (This is FREE.)

6. **Other Business. MOTION.** For 2019-2020 the maximum number of Concerts that can be credited towards the concert pin is FOUR, based on the three season subscription concerts in which the full Chorale performs (November and December 2019 and April 2020) and the benefit concert in May 2020. The concerts that can be counted toward credit are:
- (a) Four season subscription concerts (November and December 2019 and March and April 2020)
 - (b) The benefit concert in May 2020
 - (c) “Holiday on the Cape” with the Cape Symphony in December 2019 (at least five of the six performances are required to get credit)

VOTED/APPROVED

Discussion for next month: Draft of the handbook and member ticket sales process.

MOTION. Motion to adjourn. 8:00pm

VOTED/APPROVED.

