

MOSAIC HARMONY
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
Thursday, January 11, 2024

Attending (virtual): Sabine Creamer, David North, Claudia Stallings, Crystal Jefferson, Hey-Jin Kong, Jan Callaway, Jim Price, Sallie Williams

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Minutes of the 12/14/2023 Board meeting were approved. Sallie will forward the minutes to the webmasters to post on Moha's website.

Music Director Report:

- David affirmed how productive the monthly breakfast meetings have been. David, Laura Weiss, and Sabine have been meeting monthly to review Moha plans and operations.
- David requested that payment for Ralph Herndon (substitute pianist) be approved and available at the Holy Cross concert on 1/15/24. The Board approved payment of \$500.00 for Ralph Herndon. The Treasurer will draft the check and arrange for it to be available at the concert.

President's Report:

A concerned choir member asked the President how the choir can support Christian. David will check in with Christian and let the board know if there are any specific ways that we can support her.

Concert Report:

- 1/15/24, Holy Cross Hospital Concert - The arrival time has changed. The revised schedule is correct on SignUpGenius. Sabine will send an update to the choir tomorrow. Sabine will send the concert invoice to Jim.
- 1/21/24, Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute – SignUpGenius has complete details including the song list.
- 2/4/24, Harmony Week Concert at Temple Rodef Shalom – All preparations are going well. Donations to benefit UNICEF.
- 4/6/24, Community Concert – Joint concert with guests TEMA Choir and GenOUT Youth Chorus. Preparations are going well.
- 6/23/24, 30th Anniversary Concert –The next meeting of the Concert Planning Team will be on 1/25/24. The concert planning team members are Kim Moss, Karen Stern, Sabine Creamer, Claudia Stallings, and Peggy Kramer.

Membership Report:

- There are currently forty-five singing members, thirteen supporting members for a total of fifty-eight members.
- Jan, as Liaison from the Board to SAG, will attend the next SAG meeting on 2/12/2024. She will report back to the board on any significant developments.

Treasurer Report:

- December Income: \$6,615 (primarily from donations)
December Expenses: \$4,412 (primarily for salaries)
Net Monthly income: \$2,203
- 30th Anniversary Finances – If we sell an additional seventy-eight tickets, we will cover the 30th Anniversary Concert expenses incurred to date. Jim is seeking additional details from the concert committee on the costs of optional services such as streaming and audio/video recording. Several board members expressed a preference that we do not commit to optional services unless sponsorships are secured to cover the additional expenses.

Fundraising Report:

- Do Tell Mama is this Saturday night, January 13th. There are currently fifty-one sign-ups to attend the annual fundraiser at the home of Jim and Lauren Ramenofsky.

Community Building Report:

- The social time known as “mingles” held before practices have been very well-received. Mingles will continue to be held before future rehearsals.
- Hey-Jin reported that she purchased eight tickets for the Washington Performing Arts performance on February 18, 2024. She has four tickets left for interested choir members. She will let the choir know so all tickets can be used.

Grants Report:

- The tote bags received from the 4imprint grant will be distributed to all Staff, Musicians, and Members. Any remaining tote bags can be raffled off at upcoming concerts.
- We are still trying to line up a partner non-profit to offer free tickets to the April Community Concert. This will enable us to apply for the Arts Fairfax Ticket Subsidy Grant.
- The Virginia Commission for the Arts Operating Support and the Arts Fairfax Operating Support Grant Requests are due in March and April.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

The next Board Meeting will be held on February 8, 2024.