

8/31/2018 Music Team Minutes

Members Present: **Sue Atkins, John Eilers, Bill Litz, Joan Ray, Chuck Thurman, Stephanie Thurman**

Members Absent: **Dave Harmon, Nancy Hennefer, Bob Yater**

Guest: **Derick Sturke**

Joan Ray's house - 6:30 – 8:30 (so much for that thought on being quicker!!! Since the agenda less than normal)

Items to Discuss:

1. New Items – most of info discussed here – a few changes made to “show” and “contest” items reflected later
 - a. Change practice time from 6:30 to 9:00 **Ask Membership – Sue developing a survey**
 - b. Potential New Song – **You Make Me Smile – All thought it was worth looking at**
<https://www.facebook.com/rosyesalz/videos/pcb.10216778760011611/10216778754851482/?type=3&theater>
 - c. Planning for Spring Contest – **FWD Spring Prelims, NE/NW Divisions - Stockton, CA 3/21-3/24**
Irish Lullaby
I'm Lookin' Over A Four Leaf Clover
 - d. Consider a Harmony Academy or Learn To Sing for Christmas Season – Joan
 - e. For next meeting get song lists for:
Christmas 2018 – including what songs quartets are singing
Ice Cream Social 2019
Fall 2019

2. Quartet performance policy – **Discussion of the policy showed that we all liked what Nancy had proposed – maybe a couple changes – will recommend to the board for consideration.**

3. FWD Fall Convention

Saturday October 13, 2018

Fresno Convention & Entertainment Center 848 M St, Fresno, CA 93721 in the Saroyan Theater

Headquarters Hotel - Double Tree Convention Center Hotel 2233 Ventura St, Fresno, CA 93721 (559) 268-1000

- a. Contacted Brett and Janine on MBHA.

BHS (specifically the FWD) is still in flux on how to actually handle everything and that this contest will probably NOT be the way it operates in the future.

But for now the plan is:

- 1 - Stockton is slated to compete in g FWD Mixed Chorus Category
- 2 - Number 19 in the draw – right after Voices Of California
– **Sent Brett a note trying to swap because of dual members**
- 3 - Stockton Chorus is planning to create a FWD Mixed Chorus trophy
that will become the trophy passed to each winning chorus in the future – **Sue heading up**
- 4 - Brett will be looking into champion pins for the winning chorus members
- 5 - Stockton will likely be the only chorus in the category and barring DQ should win
- 6 - We should be prepared to sing on the show of champions in the evening
- 7 - Brett will be looking into seeing if this can also create a result for MBHA
but that might not happen - it might be strictly FWD Mixed Chorus
- 8 - In the future all our personnel will need to be members of BHS and the FWD

- b. Chorus preparation committee

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- i. Songs
 - Chances Are** – Greg Volk
 - Come Fly With Me** – with the *Realtime* intro.
 - ii. Costume plan (see separate agenda item)
 - iii. Coaching
 1. Visual Coaching - Mike Cating – **Great session August 14th**
 2. Vocal Coaching – **Larry Halverson session slated for September 11th**
 - iv. Hotel suggestions – **get list to members that need help**
 - v. Early Registration – **get dates to members**
 - vi. **BHS membership current – MBHA membership current – all good at this moment**
 - vii. Chorus dinner in Fresno – **encourage members to hook up and socialize**
 - viii. Hospitality suite – **if someone has a suite, we'll create a party, else NOT**
 - ix. "Friends and Family" night – **9/25 Tuesday night – Joan/Nancy will develop feedback cards**
4. Song Plan – Rep List
- a. Updated Rep List on web (still changes based on future plans)
 - b. Need to start reviewing show Christmas songs starting in July – **Need to be more diligent**
 - c. Don't forget time for valentine's quartet work – new song?
Cuddle Up A Little Closer
Solicit other selections (or pieces of songs)
 - d. New Song Release
 - i. **Mills Brothers Medley** – started – very complicated but hopeful
(may move other songs ahead – it can come along bit by bit)
 - ii. **SAI Christmas Island** – Ordered – Voicing it for all chorus
 - iii. **Little Saint Nick** – determine VLQ and let them get at it (July)
 - iv. **Away In A Manger** – Mid October if Bill can get arrangement
 - v. **Mele Kelimaka** - Mid October
 - vi. **Irish Lullaby** – Late December
 - vii. **I'm Lookin' Over A Four Leaf Clover** – Late December
 - viii. **When Irish Eyes Are Smilin'** – January
 - ix. **If You're Irish** - January or earlier if VLQ
 - x. **You Make Me Smile** - February
5. New costuming – **need to continue looking at all choices**
Costume Chair – Joan Ray
Carol Clark, Nancy Hennefer, Chuck Thurman, Stephanie Thurman, Dave Harmon, Sue Atkins
6. Performance Betterment
- a. Develop A Performance plan for each song – **committee volunteers Nancy, John and Chuck**
 - b. Develop Internal Visual Team - people to help design the visual plan – **need to assign and start working**
 - c. Visual Coaching - **Mike Cating – August 14th**
 - d. Vocal Coaching – **Larry Halverson – September 11th**
7. 2018 Fall Show – Sunday December 2nd – 2PM-4PM
Christmas Theme
Zion Lutheran Church Stockton, CA

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- a. Assign Tasks
 - i. Tickets – Carol
 - ii. Advertising – Dave?
 - iii. Script – Bill and Al?
 - iv. Costume - ?
 - v. Program – Bill and ?
 - vi. Afterglow – Joan?
- b. Song Selection
 - i. No Place Like Home For The Holidays
 - ii. Winter Wonderland
 - iii. Jingle Bell Rock (might get some dancers – Stockton City Tappers)
 - iv. Away In A Manger (**received Chuck Kenney arrangement**)
 - v. Mele Kelimaka (**Need to Order**)
 - vi. I'll Be Home for Christmas
 - vii. Christmas Island – SAI (**Ordered and being transposed for chorus**)
 - viii. Santa Claus Is Comin' To Town
 - ix. What Are You Doing New Year's Eve (quartet)
 - x. Silent Night
 - xi. We Wish You A Merry Christmas
- c. TuneStruck
 - i. Grinch
 - ii. O Christmas Tree
 - iii. Man With The Bag
- d. Other Chorus Quartets – and High School groups
 - i. TuneStruck
 - 1. Grinch
 - 2. O Christmas Tree
 - 3. Man With The Bag
 - ii. Ordered DooWop White Christmas (Stephanie and Friends)
 - iii. **Mixed Meta 4**
 - iv. **Tuesday** (SAI with Renee Beers)
 - v. **Renee, Harry, John, Christian** -- Little Saint Nick
 - vi. **Steph, Chuck, Nancy, Paul?Derick**
 - vii. **Steph, Chuck, Raphael, Derick**
- e. Headliner(s)
 - i. Fresco?
 - ii. Men's Group – **DYNAMIX scheduled – \$450 plus \$100 expenses**

8. 2019 Ice Cream Social – Sunday March 17th – 2PM-4PM

Saint Patrick's Irish Theme

Elks Lodge Stockton, CA

- a. Song Selection
 - i. Sweet Rosie O'Grady's My Wild Irish Rose
 - ii. Irish Blessing
 - iii. Irish Lullaby
 - iv. I'm Looking Over A Four Leaf Clover

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- v. When Irish Eyes Are Smilin'
- vi. Saints Go Marching In
- vii. Oh Danny Boy (maybe quartet)
- viii. If You're Irish (maybe quartet)
- ix. Loch Lomond (maybe quartet)
- x. Harrigan – vetoed ;-) maybe Auld Lang Syne

Next Meeting: 9/28 at Joan's House