

## ORPHEUS MALE CHORUS OF PHOENIX, INC.

### Approved Annual Membership Meeting Minutes

**May 9, 2017**

Central United Methodist Church 1875 North Central Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85004  
Kendall Hall

**Number of Members Present: 71**

Call to Order by Michael Peterson @ 7:04 pm

### **Agenda**

#### Volunteer Recognition

Michael Peterson recognized the Volunteers both verbally and through a PowerPoint presentation.

#### Election

Nomination for Vice President - Drew Peterson. Motion to close nominations for Vice President: 1st Jim Fountain, and 2nd by Alex Arenó. **Motion passed.**

Nominations for Secretary - Ira Rubins. Motion to close nominations for Secretary: 1st Jay Murphy, and 2nd by Chris Johnson. **Motion passed.**

Nominations for Member-At-Large (two positions) - Jeremy Harris, Dick Janac, Zak Tenpenny, and Jay Kereny. Motion to close nominations for Member-At-Large: 1st Skip Pepers, and 2nd by Jack Waldrup. **Motion passed.**

Each Nominee gave a brief speech followed by a balloted vote of the General Membership.

#### Review and approval of minutes - Michael Peterson

May 3, 2016 Annual Membership meeting minutes were presented. Motion to approve the minutes as presented: 1st Alex Arenó, and 2nd by Jack Waldrup. **Motion passed.**

#### Treasurer's Report - Bob Meier

Bob Meier gave a brief verbal report. Bob mentioned that OMC had a successful year, there are sufficient funds to get through to August, and that we are up on fundraising. Bob stated that if anyone would like a more detailed report to just email him and he would send it out.

#### Artistic Director's Report - Brook Larson

Brook Larson gave an extensive PowerPoint presentation that included next year's calendar, this past year's accomplishments, and next year's expectations. Question and answer period included an extended amount of time on the subject of memorization.

### Election Results

Vice President - Drew Peterson  
Secretary - Ira Rubins  
Member-At-Large - Jeremy Harris and Jay Kereny  
Ratification of Makoto Matsumoto as a Board Member.

### Board Governance Structure

Presented by Makoto Matsumoto.

### Attendance Numbers

Michael Peterson presented a report on current and prior season Spring attendance numbers.

## **Committee Presentations**

### Development

J. D. Helms gave a PowerPoint presentation. J.D. reported that this was the best fundraising year ever and that our fundraising costs are exceptionally low.

### Membership

Jim Fountain gave a PowerPoint presentation. Jim reported on all the membership events that occurred during the year, how the structure of the committee may change, and that they are always looking for new committee members and volunteers for the mentor program.

### Marketing

Kevin Staab gave a PowerPoint presentation. Kevin reported on several new marketing strategies that were successful over the year and how the committee will be meeting to discuss plans for the 2017-2018 season.

### Production

Jeremy Harris gave a PowerPoint presentation. Jeremy explained the objectives of the Production Committee, highlighted the streamlining of the Front of House activities, and announced that some new venues will be evaluated over the summer.

### Finance

Bob Meier gave a brief verbal report describing the two main objectives of the Finance Committee - the Budget and the formation of policies and procedures. He also asked for help with dues collection and pre/post concert financial tasks.

### Outreach

Justin Ferris gave a PowerPoint presentation. Justin reported on the outreach accomplishments of last year and the plans for next year.

## **Additional Business**

#### Group Comments

Time was made available for an open forum of general comments from the Membership. Discussion regarding having more opportunities to express comments and opinions. General consensus to schedule Town Hall style meetings this summer. Makoto Matsumoto requested that information gathered during these meetings be use for strategic planning.

#### Acknowledgements and End Notes

A PowerPoint presentation was given by Michael Peterson acknowledging all the people who make Orpheus possible.

#### Carric's Comments

Carric gave a special acknowledgement of Brook.

#### Wrap-up Remarks

Mike Peterson relayed the experience from his trip and what a privilege it is to get together to sing.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: 1st Dave Kelly, and 2nd by Zak Tenpenny. **Meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by Les Mullen, Secretary.