Vancouver Master Chorale
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
4/2/2024

Members present: Dave Lawley, Dennis Haberkamp, Sonya Sigler, Susan Pautz, Min Kuang, Katherine Nitsch, Jana Hart, Jaz Bielby

Members absent: Cara Hernandez

Guests present: Tom Paulu, Bai Pham, Doug Friend

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm

Agenda – Katherine - The agenda was used as sent.

Minutes – Sonya - February and March minutes will be updated and ready for approval at May meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Dennis/Dave

Dave presented the treasurer's report (as emailed) and the 2023-24 budget. Donations, a few ticket sales, and Costa Rica money is trickling in. 75th Anniversary merchandise was included in proper categories (wardrobe, membership). Now that debit card is working the music rentals should go quicker and more smoothly. The board approved the purchase of additional riser parts.

Director's Report – Jana
She submitted two grants to the City of Vancouver. She has one more grant to submit by 4/5. Decisions expected in June for these and Cowlitz and Paul Allen Fdn. She has received over 40 audition requests and is scheduling these for July and August.

Other Committee Reports

<u>Membership</u> – Susan

May need a welcome packet explaining attendance policy, email, internal web page for music, etc. This should be posted on our website (which can be done this summer with website update). Section leaders can check in with new members as well.

<u>Marketing</u> – Min

First draft of program has been sent around for comments. Choir member names and donor lists are being updated. April 10th deadline.

Recording of concert estimate of $4325 presented. Saturday only availability. Going with this choice unless Min can find sound engineer for both days. Backdrop will also be ordered.

200 Mugs to be ordered for choir members as gift. Min to finalize the design with a higher resolution logo.

Tom is writing various articles on the VMC history. He is sharing them as he writes them and we can post them on the website. He will also make history poster boards for the concerts.

Technology – Jaz

Updated on Eventbrite recommendation for tickets going forward, beginning with our Fall concert. Website changes will be made this summer. Jaz will double check that donor updates match with the program info.

Concerts – Cara

Bai is working on slides/visual arts for the concert.

Travel – Doug

Costa Rica money needs to be in by April 10th, and information to Dennis re flights, passports, etc. Shirts being provided to attendees and extra ones paid for by attendees. Did order the pins and the hats as well. CDC Guidelines shared with attendees.

Old Business

Addressed in each subject item.

New Business

Attendance policy discussed. After Covid changes, we need to revisit attendance expectations and requirements and put a revised policy in place before Fall.

Action Items

Release of Liability will be ready for signature for Costa Rica attendees before the next rehearsal. (Sonya)

Attendance policy proposal, for Fall implementation (Susan and section leaders)

Good of the Order - None

Announcements

Next BOD meeting is Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom [Now May 8th, 7 pm because of additional rehearsal]

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 pm