

Grand Cities Children’s Choir (GCCC) Meeting Minutes

Monday – 9-16-2016 | 7:00 pm | Red River High School – Music Room

AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
1. Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting called to order at 6:59pm by Melanie Popejoy. • New and returning members were introduced • 15th Anniversary logo was also introduced 	
2. Approval of past minutes		
3. Old Business Hotwash	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promo Video ○ Auditions ○ Numbers - largest in GCCC history with 247 total in all choirs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ POCO – 28; Canto – 63; Accordo – 49; Primo – 107 ▪ Great retention year ▪ Best 1st night turnout to date ▪ 98-99 registrations for upcoming DC trip • GG Retreat – great experience even if they are only able to participate for a year. Great group this year. 30 at present. Did some theory and ear training activities. Training them to understand what’s on the page? • Voice Lessons – UND students giving guided instructions. They are not certified instructors. Right now 4 students available to offer these \$10/30 min lessons. Would be willing to have Accordo singers do this as well? • Implementation of Theory & Ear Training activities – one each semester. Melanie and Whitney met and discussed implementation. Singer will receive a weekly worksheet that will be engaging and help them enhance their GCCC experience. Parents will enjoy helping to complete the assignments too. Whitney Berry is creating the worksheets. 	
4. New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15th Anniversary – the 15th Anniversary logo was designed to encompass previous years of the GCCC logos. Work is still being done on the logo to perfect it for marketing as well as an artistic version so it can be framed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kecia is working on pricing for 15th Anniversary Logo t-shirts • 15th Anniversary Ideas 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Special Alumni Concert – December 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Holiday Homecoming - not a fundraiser, but a way to showcase GCCC and High School Alumni. ○ Photo Display available on different levels for people to view at Spring concert ○ Yearbook – 15th Anniversary with history of all the years that can be used for marketing including the tours taken to Medora and Minneapolis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ May need ferpa form for use of singer’s photos and quotes ▪ Updates to yearbook every five years ○ Time capsule of GCCC activities ○ Calendar for 16-17 featuring all yeas of activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mini calendar/desktop to give to businesses ○ Commission a piece on the 10’s <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Family Orientation Night ● Washington DC – Fundraisers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Butter Braids, Pizza Ranch, Holiday Homecoming Concert , Muiderman Contribution 	
5. Artistic Director and GCCC Founder report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Keep the Faith – We have been involved in the past and being asked to participate again. Need to decide whether to commit to this activity which would mean a few Saturday practices. ● Muiderman – offers cooking classes/weaving told us we could have singers participate and would give proceeds to GCCC for Washington D.C. trip. ● Liability form needed for practices at UND 	
6. Managing Director report	Kecia reported that there are still open volunteer positions for registration night.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Melanie will order 10 tables with GFC building staff for setup. ● Kecia will include UND and permission forms at registration night
7. Finance Manager	Greg Nelson reported that in honor of Melanie Popejoy’s mother, Melanie’s brother and sister had memorials donated to GCCC to create a scholarship fund for those who may need assistance. Her brother is also working on how the scholarship can	

	be sustained as the initial funds are used.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financially, GCCC is in the black. 	
8. Other Updates as Needed	Merchandising Coordinator – Sara Peters	Will be bringing water bottles, bags, pencils and lanyards to Registration Night
	Uniform Coordinator – Amy Sanner	Instead of measurements being taken at registration night, Amy will attend practices next week to measure those in need.
	Marketing – be visible at places that would allow advertising and word of mouth	
9. Announcements	Friday, October 7 at 7pm, the African Children’s Choir will be at Calvary Lutheran	
10. Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm	<i>The next meeting is scheduled October 17, 2016 at 7:00pm RRHS Music Library.</i>



In Attendance: Whitney Berry, Melanie Craig, Geoff Gaukler, Greg Nelson, Kecia Peters, Sara Peters, Melanie Popejoy, Larissa Rood, Amy Sanner, Tracy Uhlir, Carrie Weippert.

Guests:

Minutes submitted by: Tracy Uhlir

Reviewed by: Kecia Peters

Approved by: Kecia Peters