

GCCC Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday September 09, 2013

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Red River High School Choral Library

In attendance:

Melanie Popejoy

Kecia Peters

Greg Nelson

Amy Sanner

Brian Wavra

Kelly Wavra

Carrie Weippert

Greg Halliday

Mariah Kuntz

Danielle Larson

Elizabeth Vert

Gwen Puckett

Larissa Krogh

Melanie Craig

Sue Fire

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Co-President Brian Wavra.

New members include: Larissa Krogh, Sue Fire, Melanie Craig, Gwen Puckett, and Mariah Kuntz.

Executive Reports:

Artistic Director: Melanie Popejoy

A. Advisory Positions:

- a. Program Chair: for the day of the concert to meet with ushers before concert to assign them where to stand (position open)
- b. Uniform Chair: Sharilyn Richtsmeier (tentative)

B. Hiring of new directors:

- a. Elizabeth Vert (Poco) and Danielle Larson (Accordo)

C. 12th Concert Season- "If Wishes Had Wings"

- a. Brittany Molmen is working on artwork for theme
- b. Sue suggested having kids make a YouTube video for composers of the song, we are waiting for the piece to be published so that we can perform the piece this year

D. GCCC Calendar (to date):

- a. First semester rehearsals and concert at Red River High School
- b. Second Semester rehearsals and concert at Central High School
- c. Canto, Accordo, and Primo will each have a day retreat
- d. Choirs will be singing at the Winter WUNDERland Concert

- e. “Cleaning the Ralph” for Primo singers to raise money for NY Trip
- E. New York Update:
 - a. Several new Primo kids to be added to trip attendance
 - b. Leave for NY on Feb. 14th
 - c. Carnegie performance on Feb. 17th
 - d. Returning to GF on Feb. 18th
- F. Dessert Cabaret:
 - a. Saturday, September 28th at Empire Arts Center
 - b. \$15 adults, family rate (price undecided), youth rate (price undecided)
 - c. Primo parents will be providing desserts for between musical numbers
 - d. Empire Arts Center cut price by 60% to reduce costs
- G. Butter Braids:
 - a. Idea proposed to run the butter braid fundraiser through all choirs
 - b. Singers on the trip will raise their own money
 - c. Singers not on the trip will raise money to be put into a fund
 - d. Carrie proposed allowing cash donations for those who don't want to sell butter braids
 - e. Sue suggested making a pre-printed letter to send to those who may donate without buying butter braids
 - f. Kecia: pay-pal link is on the website and could be moved to the front page of the website
 - g. Gwen suggested connecting pay-pal to the Facebook page
- H. Trivia night:
 - a. Will be at Sharon Lutheran
 - b. Committee led by Dave Molmen to organize marketing
- I. Pizza Ranch Fundraiser:
 - a. First night \$2,700
 - b. Second night \$1,000
 - c. Third Night after the fall concert on Nov. 18
 - d. Suggested to advertise “Pizza Ranch is ready for us”
 - e. Ask about doing pre-orders done by a certain time during the day?

Financial Director: Greg Nelson

- A. NOVAC has chosen Popejoys as outstanding musical community members
- B. Starting off the year in the black

Managing Director: Kecia Peters

- A. Registration Night:
 - a. Amy Sanner will be helping fit uniforms
 - i. Kathy Peters will also help with uniforms

- b. Doing shifts of Poco and Canto first, Accordo and Primo second shift
- c. Directors will each be doing their own parent meetings after rehearsal (tentative)
 - i. Poco- Choir room (children stay with their parents)
 - ii. Canto- Performance Hall or Commons
 - iii. Accordo- Band room after rehearsal
 - iv. Primo- Choir room after rehearsal
- d. Should meetings be recorded?
 - i. Danielle will plan to bring a Flip cam from Valley
 - ii. GGs will record their choir's parent meeting
 - iii. Meetings will be put on the website
- e. Balloons or Banners
 - i. Balloons will be retired and banners will be found/created
- f. Payments
 - i. Create a one payment system instead of separate checks for tuition and uniforms
 - ii. Payment worksheet will be added to/adjusted
 - iii. Credit card readers
 - 1. Charge for the device will be reimbursed
 - 2. Charge per transaction- unsure about lesser charge for tax exempt
 - iv. Greg maybe opposed using credit card reader because not many people pay using credit cards to pay
 - v. Brian was questioning security of having credit card numbers of others on his phone and who would be responsible if phone was lost
 - vi. Melanie P. was in favor of looking into price difference with tax exempt

B. Numbers:

- a. 38- Poco +14 from last year
- b. 66- Canto +27 from last year
- c. 36- Accordo +2 from last year
- d. 68- Primo -3 from last year
- e. Total = 208

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm. Next meeting will be October 14th at the Red River High School Choral Library.

Minutes submitted by Mariah Kuntz.