

The Phoenix Symphony Chorus Advisory Council
Minutes of Meeting: October 15, 2017
Host: Steven Hwang

Attendees (in yellow): **Joel Auernheimer, Tom Bookhout, Tia Coates, Erin Entringer, Wendy Gould, Steven Hwang, Lynn Jech, Katie Jones, David Kahrs, Karen Martin, Adriana Martinez, Lisa Rolland-Keith, Dan Russ, Ivylyn Scott, Stephanie Seigla, Lynne Traverse, Diane Van Dyke, John Vousden,** Malia Arguello, Symphony Representative

Joel Auernheimer called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Beethoven 9

Dan updating seating charts

Katie to update attendance spreadsheet

Parking

Thu/Fri morning: no designated lot.

Encourage singers to be early to find parking or take the light rail

Call times will be 30 min. prior to showtime (or later; B9 will be after intermission)

Online calendar

Can others have access to update calendar call times when Tom isn't available to do it?

Tom to share calendar password with Joel, Dan, Katie

Holiday Pops/Messiah

No layouts or stage numbers yet (though can estimate based on last year).

Joel to send Dan layout info from last year's Messiahs.

About time to do a Messiah preference survey (Katie to do).

Pops Sunday – have 107 singers for 1 p.m. and 91 for 5 p.m.

Breakdown of voiceparts is reasonably even.

March concert

Have asked Malia for details – marketing plans, sales info would be helpful.

Can use all the space we need at Pinnacle since there will be no orchestra.

Seats 550 (so, each singer brings three people and we're set...)

Other logistics, ticket costs TBA. Mike Hegeman could answer some questions.

We understand we are not responsible for marketing – that is all on TPS/Pinnacle, though we may participate.

Tom will est. cost of music to TPS for their approval.
May be able find enough copies by borrowing from area churches
Use donation money for it?

David – some singers may want to own their copies – would cut down on the number of copies needed.

Will put together a list of publishers/editions so people can get their own, will put on website when we can.

Donation – Tom sent a proposal on the choir management software in for TPS to review. Will probably say no, but eh...
Other options – folders would cover essentially the whole donation
Mics, speakers, playback system, etc.

Website

Directory is in the works.

Section reps to remind members: check the website for resources!! Check there for answers first.

Treasurer

Account balance is still going up because we're still selling messenger bags – upfronted the bag cost and haven't quite recouped the cost yet.
\$6,511.26 currently in the account.

Lynne wanted to check with Malia – is she sending monthly reports to the right person?

Joel met TPS' Chief Development Officer, Ron (?) – wants to meet and talk; says he knows sometimes choruses feel a little left out, and wants to meet.

Ideas for Ron: send to Joel.

Social chair

Mesa options are light

Pops week so busy don't want burn-out, stay light

TGIF for Sat.: \$100 to reserve the space

(Added 10/25: Price is now \$200 to reserve the space. Approved by Executive Committee; we have the space reserved.)

Regional dinners:

Historically, at one point TPSC used to do a whole day retreat in early September, including a social hour in the afternoon where members would split into tables based on neighborhoods. This morphed into regional dinners in held in Sept/Oct. – early in season. More recently they've been pushed further back in the fall because of early fall concerts.

This year on Oct. 30 we will do theme night (costumes) AND dessert and snack night AND will split into regions in the rehearsal room to see who lives in your area, talk carpools.

Need someone near Camelback Bible to host a holiday party.

Instagram account looking great – thank you, Tia!

New people need all rules and guidelines explained, including union rules for photography. Okay before rehearsal begins, but not once rehearsal is in progress. NO phones, tablets, e-readers, etc. onstage during concerts.

Next meeting:

Nov. 19 – Katie Jones will host

Looking ahead

For the second Harry Potter concert in Jan.: consider involving more women so you can rotate more? Suggested to share the load.

Ask Malia to use higher risers to get us above the percussion.

Tom's work on HP score SO helpful.

All HP scores are in to Diane, thank you all.

Meeting adjourned 6:15 p.m.