

The Phoenix Symphony Chorus Advisory Council
Minutes of Meeting: October 9, 2016
Host: Marilou Baxter

Attendees: Joel Auernheimer, Marilou Baxter, Tom Bookhout, Erin Entringer, Wendy Gould, Lynn Jech, Katie Jones, David Kahrs, Huntington Keith, Jane Kniffen, Brian Matas, Susie Phillips, Lisa Rolland-Keith, DanRuss, Ivylyn Scott, Lynne Traverse, Diane Van Dyke, Stephanie Seigla, Christine Young, Malia Arguello, Symphony Representative; Chorus Member Ralph Klingensmith also joined this meeting

Wendy Gould called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

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Upcoming Concerts

Messiah Locations:

- Scottsdale Performing Arts Center
- Camelback Bible Church
- Mesa Performing Arts Center
- 7th Day Adventist
- Pinnacle Presbyterian

Dress rehearsals will be Piano dress Monday 12/5 and orchestra dress Tuesday, 12/6 at CUMC

Holiday Pops:—

Monday, 11/28 Piano Dress

Thursday, 12/1 - orchestra dress

Friday, 12/2 1st concert

Saturday, 12/3 2 concerts

Sunday, 12/4 final concert

We have paid for a reserved space at Friday's Front Row for a Chorus meal between the Saturday concerts

Chichester Psalms :

January - 20th, 21st, 22nd (Sunday Prescott)

There will be two Monday night rehearsals after Messiah to prepare for January concerts.

ACTION ITEM:

Section Reps should make clear to their sections there will be two post-Messiah rehearsals in December to prepare for January.

ACTION ITEM:

Katie and Huntington will prepare an online survey to determine Messiah preferences using the 1-5 ranking system from last year.

ACTION ITEM:

Section leaders should email singers asking if any plans have changed regarding the holiday concerts from their previous commitment form entries. (by email). Send print out as a reminder of what people signed up for. Rehearsal attendance records can also play a factor when hard choices are necessary.

Library:

Stravinsky has been completely returned

Section Reps please be vigilant about updating attendance sheet. Use the abbreviations agreed upon.

P - Present

E - Excused

A - Absent

Please let Diane know asap when the 1st rehearsal after any concert run has been cancelled so that everyone can collect music at the end of each run.

Treasury:

Current Balance: \$6,542.04

Continue to catch up with stragglers for NY hotel refunds

Social Chair:

Theme night - Halloween

Regional Dinners – November 12

November 14 -open rehearsal/dessert night

Limited parking - carpool your guests –

chairs for guests - need permission to use them - Do a casual survey how many are bringing guests.

Choir member of the month – nominations were suggested. Council should suggest others. (These names will not be published in the public minutes):

Tia Coates

Mike Hegeman

Dana Graybeal

Elizabeth Rosensteel

Web Site:

Todd has responded that the web site looks good but he is concerned about private information being made public

Make any public information - everything else private.

Lisa will research difference in cost for password protection

The chorus will pay the difference

A motion was made and seconded for the chorus to cover the cost of the web site 2 year commitment at password protection rate.

Motion carried

Chorus Photo:

This Sunday - October 16 Desert Botanical Gardens 4:30 –

Do not need to bring folders

Encourage car pools

Photo Pose - Wendy will forward suggestions from Tom

Look at various choruses for suggestions - dynamic - showing off the landscape - Wendy will ask photographer for suggestions

Vienna –

Kick off announcements to be made at the 10/10 rehearsal. Ralph will join the committee, which includes Brian Matas, Russ Ernst, Paula Strano-Isobe and Lynne Traverse

It would be desirable to use the Poland travel agent for the best all-around service and rates

ACTION ITEM:

The Committee will send a survey ASAP to determine hard numbers – necessary for Mid-America and Travel Agency

Payment Schedule:

11/7 \$400

12/5 \$400

3/6 - \$500

May 1 - Remainder

Committee needs to talk about what to do with free packages

General - Remember it is possible to take the light rail to Mesa concert and Regional dinners

Symphony Liaison:

Malia was asked to try to turn on the Symphony Hall chorus room air conditioning earlier in the day to make sure it has cooled off.

Malia was asked to check with the Symphony regarding the separate travel bank account for Vienna.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Traverse
Treasurer and Recording Secretary