

**Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of
Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Incorporated
April 13, 2014**

Meeting called to order by President Shannon Elswick at 7:00 p.m. EST

The following action was taken:

Quorum: The Secretary confirmed the presence of a quorum.

The following were present:

Officers

Society President Shannon Elswick
Society Immediate Past President Alan Lamson
Society Executive Vice President Don Fuson
Society Treasurer Dwayne Cooper
Society Executive Director and Secretary Marty Monson (non-voting member)

Board Members

Doug Brown
Randy Loos
Gary Plaa
Dick Powell

The following were absent:

Clarke Caldwell, Harmony Foundation President/CEO (non-voting member)
Gerry Borden
Skipp Kropp

Society Staff Present:

Patty Leveille, Executive Assistant/Office and HR Manager

Guests

Noah Funderburg, Governance and Bylaws Chair
Joe Berger, Society Nominating Committee Chair
Bill Colosimo, District Presidents Moderator
Rebecca Kennedy, Project Manager (contracted with BHS)

BUSINESS

Additions to the agenda

President Elswick called for additional agenda items. There were no additions.

Board discussions were held but no actions were taken by the Board on each of the following agenda topics:

1. District Presidents Council update was given by the DP Moderator Bill Colosimo.
2. Barbershop Harmony Society AIMS update was given by Marty Monson and Don Fuson.
3. CEO Marty Monson gave status updates on the following:
 - a. Barbershop Harmony Society media inventory project
 - b. Barbershop Harmony Society headquarters building revenue maximization project
 - c. Barbershop Harmony Society staffing update
3. Midwinter Convention update was presented by Marty Monson and Dwayne Cooper.
4. Marty Monson announced that the 2014 Fall Forum and Board meeting will be held November 1-3, 2014 (Saturday-Monday) in Nashville, TN.
5. A status update on the Mixed Harmony Affiliate was given by Marty Monson.
7. A status update on the Society Nominating Committee's efforts to develop a slate of nominees for the 2015 Society Board elections was presented by Joseph Berger.

Closing Reports

Parking Lot

The following Parking Lot items (including items being carried over from earlier Board meetings) were reported:

1. G&B and Ethics Committee will update the Board on the issue of defining the phrase "men of good character".
2. By May, WebEx, G&B will complete all pending changes to the Board Policy Manual and present to the Board for review.
3. By July, G&B will present recommendations to the board for changes to the Bylaws and/or Board Policy Manual with a schedule for accomplishing those recommendations.
4. Youth Protection Policy - The Governance and Bylaws Committee is to review their recent recommendations (to the Board) regarding Society Youth Safety Policies and determine if the recommendations require Board approval or change in Society operations.
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7. Minutes to be approved at the June Society Board Meeting are as follows:
 - a. Jan. 30th Midwinter Minutes
 - b. Feb. 16th WebEx Minutes
 - c. March 9th WebEx Minutes
 - d. April 13th Teleconference Minutes
8. Update from CEO on progress of Mixed Harmony Affiliate
9. CEO to offer feedback to Cardinal District reference the Cardinal District HOD report presented by Gary Plaag.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Elswick declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Martin L. Monson, Executive Secretary

These minutes were approved as presented on June 30, 2014