

The Market Street Singers is a choral ensemble for Ballard that builds connections within diverse communities. Celebrating the joy of choral music among singers and listeners, we aspire to cultivate neighborhood pride with choral arts that are truly community identified.

July 10, 2013

Present: Terrell Aldredge, Jean Bowman, Jaime Worthington, Chris Baptiste, Cathy Palmer, Hannah Won, Ashley Wiggin, Maro Landreville

Absent: Chris Vincent

Call to order: 10:15

We move to approve the June meeting minutes—all approve.

1. **Treasurer's Report**--Hannah

Hannah reports that expenses were high this month due to the cost of music and for the small ensemble. However, we are still well within our budget for the year and we had some additional fundraising revenue due to the ad campaign in the program. We will need to begin working out next year's budget for next year. Upcoming fundraising efforts will include Chinook book, rummage sale and annual auction this fall.

Overall we think the ad campaign in the programs was a success, especially in terms of community building and marketing. Terrell has written out some procedure documents for the future.

2. **Chorus America Conference** --Chris V or Kate

Neither were present at today's meeting so we will table to next meeting. Hannah did volunteer at the Conference but did not attend the sessions.

3. **Action item updates from last meeting** -- Rummage Sale coordinators--Margo

Margo reports that she and Joyce will get together and talk about the rummage sale but Joyce will possibly be here during that time to help coordinate. They are planning to talk at the picnic about the sale. Sale will be in the basement of the church.

ACTION: Margo will make an announcement at rehearsal about holding stuff for rummage sale and continue to communicate with Joyce.

4. **Task List**--Terrell

No tasks that we know of. The bag selling is assigned to Pat, rummage sale taken care of and we have a few volunteers to take over the auction if we need them to. We will need to discuss concert production in August for our September concert. We shouldn't need too many volunteers, one to watch the basket and one to sell the bags but we do need an actual basket for donations. We will discuss this in a later meeting this summer.

5. **Picnic**--Cathy

Cathy reports that we have no volunteers for the picnic. Cathy sent a notice to the gazette and will make an announcement at next week's rehearsal that we need volunteers, especially for grilling. Cathy will make a sign up sheet as well and bring it next week.

ACTION: Cathy will make announcement and gazette message this week and have specific times and info for volunteers. Hannah will try to get the grill going at 5:45 at the event. Will also add a notice about who brings what to the picnic.

6. **Fall Concert**--Chris B

Our September concert is falling on Yom Kippur this year. This is something we should think about for the future but might be too late to make a change at this point.

7. **Board Recruitment** – we are now halfway through the year. We should be thinking about inviting people we think would be a good fit to come out to a board meeting or two to “try us out” for next year (though of course they’re always welcome to join sooner).

We will continue to talk about and think about new members for the future. November is coming up soon and we should encourage new members especially to come and check out a meeting. All will work on this.

8. **Upcoming** – See below for list. Anything not discussed above that we need to be thinking about now?
None

9. **New business** (anyone?)

--We should think about putting something on the website about upcoming events, especially when we have events coming up.

ACTION for front page: Chris B. will look into this and see what we can add to make it more news items.

--Hannah: donations in kind- if anyone donated or purchased anything on behalf of the choir they can receive tax credit for that. Hannah will follow-up at the rehearsal with an announcement. We will also create some guidelines for donations in kind to distribute so that people will report these donations. We need to track it so we understand how we’re actually spending the money.

--**Rummage sale:** Group discussed the rummage sale and doing some different signage for the event. We need more clothing rack and hangers. Margo will add this to her notes for the announcement and will add this to the list of things we would like to ask to have for the sale. We also need more/ different signs for the space. We should also put “exciting” merchandise outside to attract more attention. We will also do advertising for the sale as well, possibly targeting the bookstores locally who might be interested in buying books. New signage is needed as well as a new planting method for the past signs—all will be discussed in an upcoming meeting before the event.

--**Recruitment:** Ballard blog: my ballard.com for advertising for tenors specifically. In the past we’ve put an announcement there and perhaps we should consider this again.

--**Music Fee:** We also talked about how we do the music fee. The treasurer needs to make announcement and do the reminder but also make clear that the \$10 you pay does NOT cover the cost of actually purchasing the music, perhaps doing a breakdown of actual music cost.

ACTION: Hannah to do this on Sept. 3 (ish).

Adjourned 11:51am

Market Street Singers Board Meeting
July 2013 Agenda

| <u>Treats</u> | <u>Upcoming</u> | <u>Next Meeting</u> |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jul - Jean | July: Annual Picnic | Thursday, August 8, 7pm |
| Aug - N/A | September: Concert | Location: Julia's |
| Sep - Margo | October: Consortium Festival | |
| Oct - N/A | October: Potential Rummage Sale | |
| Nov - Jaime | December: Holiday Concert, Echo Glen | |
| Dec - N/A | January: Sing-a-long | |