

**Chorus North Shore Board of Trustees Meeting  
Ascension Church, Ipswich, MA  
Wednesday, January 14, 2009**

**Meeting Minutes**

President Kathy Sullivan called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.  
Suzanne Bicknell, Recording Secretary, recorded the minutes of the meeting.

**Present:** Suzanne Bicknell, Josephine Brouillette, Jennifer Clark, Patsy Colhoun, Kit Gregg, Brent Keltner, Dorrie Kimkaran, Sheryl Knutsen, Sam Otis, Tom Parkins, Wally Rowe, Mary Sepich, Kathy Sullivan, Priscilla Walter, Paul Weaver

**Absent/Excused** Kathleen Galvin, Lynne Khambaty, Anne-Marie Keltner, Sunny Pryor, Artistic Director

**Meeting Minutes from December 3, 2008**

The meeting minutes were reviewed by the board and approved by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report**

Sam presented the Treasurer's Report. He is developing a heritage accounting system that can be passed on to subsequent treasurers. Sam is using Quick Books for this system. He discussed our banking relationships with Rockport National Bank and Beverly National Bank. Our balance sheet is currently breaking even. The treasurer's report was approved by unanimous vote.

**Concert Evaluation**

The sitters had a difficult time seeing Sunny during the December concert. Paul discussed the fact that when patrons come early, there is not always seating for everyone. The board agreed that all ticket sales are final. Sheryl reported there was an inquiry from someone wanting a refund because they could not attend.

**Music:**

Mary will be sending music to Peter Stickel for the Lord Nelson Mass. The orchestra will have 22 players. Soloists include:

- Soprano
- Kenneth Mattise – Bass
- Gail Fuller – Alto
- Ray Bauwens – Tenor

There will be an orchestra rehearsal the Wednesday before the concert at Our Lady of Hope. Mary has received many calls from music teachers regarding the HYC. Auditions will be held on January 29. The HYC will be performing on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Unitarian Church in Beverly.

**Membership:**

Dorrie reported no new updates regarding membership.

**Website**

Mary will forward concert descriptions to Dorrie to post on the web. Dorrie reported that Tim will soon post new pictures on the web. There are currently 10 music clips posted.

**Grants**

Dorrie reported the MA Cultural Council is suspending the grant process through 2010. We should hear from the local cultural councils in February regarding grant awards.

**Scholarship**

Priscilla reported scholarship information was mailed to 14 schools. Lynne is currently working on a scholarship poster for the schools. The response date for applications is April 2. Betty Benn has not yet received the transcript from last year's winner.

**Fundraising Report**

Tom updated the board on the Eurostoves event to be held on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM. The cost per person is \$86. We will have 6 teams of 5 with 1 board member per team. We have already paid a 50% non-refundable deposit. We hope to break even on this event.

**Nominating Committee**

Dorrie reported for the Nominating Committee the names of three board member nominees:

- Sally Saplin
- Roger Waindle
- Janet Boynton

**New Business**

Dorrie suggested the chorus produce a "best of CNS" CD. Paul wanted to research copyright details. Kathy will forward our current ASCAP language regarding CDs to Paul for his review.

Dorrie suggested we approach the Hart House regarding a dinner theatre package. In addition to being collaborative, this may help solve some of the parking issues at Our Lady of Hope.

**Future Meetings:**

The meeting in February will be held on February 11<sup>th</sup>.

President Kathy Sullivan adjourned the meeting at 9:30 PM.