

ChoDA Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2009

In attendance: Jen Wortman, Suzanna Coyoli, Ted Gibson, Joyce Bertilson, Adrienne Meeker, Greg Hebert, Julia Higgins, Frank Sargent, Lilanii Figueroa

• Old Business

- Approval of August 22nd Minutes
 - Motion was made to accept the minutes, seconded and passed unanimously.

• New Business

- Conference Discussion and Planning
 - Currently we have sessions from the following:
 - Andy Beck (4), Roger Emerson (2), Jean Perry (1), Jim Yancey (1)
 - The board brainstormed some possible topics, including:
 - Jazz fundamentals/ improvisation
 - Show choir techniques and program logistics
 - Choral sound/ voice placement
 - Sight reading techniques and strategies
 - Panel discussions/ roundtables (various topics)
 - Technology
 - Fundraising/ business management
 - Recruitment (work smarter not harder),
 - Community Colleges/HS connection
 - The board brainstormed some possible clinicians.
 - The board discussed scheduling for conference sessions
 - The board listened to the performance proposals:
 - The performance sessions are set to be at the church.
 - There were 7 groups the submitted proposals
 - Narrowed down to Sirrine, Dobson Cantus, Phoenix Children's, and EAC
 - A motion was made to select those groups, the motion was seconded and approved 8-1.
 - Greg contacted Jessica Flowers, who agreed to do two sessions of choreography.
 - Joyce contacted Judy Durocher, who agreed to do three sessions (placement, becoming an adjudicator/clinician, community college roundtable)

• Office Reports

- Past President
 - No reports
- VP of All-State Show and Jazz
 - Need audition registration form on AMEA website (Contact David).
 - Still needs to send a mass email to HS choir directors (needs database)
- VP of HS Activities (Regionals)

- Need to take a look at the judges script.
- Dave and Jean submitted a regional sight reading example. The board reviewed the examples. A motion was made to approve the sight reading example, seconded, further discussion was had. The discussion was called to question and the motion to approve the sight reading example was approved unanimously
- Treasurer/Website
 - A summary of the treasurer's report was given to the board.
 - Website- possibility for next year to have our handbooks and forms on it.
 - Add to calendar: Northern Division ES/JH Festival on March 27th
- VP of ChoDA Festivals
 - 45 choirs have registered for the Fall Festivals
 - Several schools are participating for the first time.
 - Flagstaff has 2 choirs, Tucson has 15, Phoenix has 28.
- VP of ES/JH Activities
 - Requested names of adjudicators/clinicians to use for festivals

Next Meeting: October 12th @ 5:30pm