

PIONEER DISTRICT, SPEBSQSA, INC.
MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
APRIL 29, 2005

CALL TO ORDER: President Bruce Smith called the meeting to order in the Stone Theater, Radisson Plaza Hotel, Kalamazoo, Michigan at 12::10 pm at the conclusion of the Management Team Meeting..

ATTENDANCE: Secretary Marvin Skupski reported that a quorum was present. All five Board Members were present.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes of the October 15, 2004 Board of Directors Meeting had been distributed to all Board Members by e-mail attachment. This agenda item was passed over. No formal action was taken.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's Report, after being explained and discussed, was submitted and received by the attendees at the Management Team Meeting immediately prior to this Board of Directors Meeting. All five Board Members were present and voted on receiving the Treasurer's Report at the Management Team Meeting. No formal action on the Treasurer's Report was taken at this Board of Directors Meeting.

Non-billing for food at COTS was discussed. No formal action was taken.

\$2 per man assessment by the Society to help fund the Society's up-coming "U Can Sing 2" recruitment initiative was discussed at the Management Team Meeting. The Management Team recommended that the District accept the Society assessment, advance the \$2 per man and then request, but not require, that each chapter reimburse the District \$2 for each chapter member,

After discussion at this meeting wherein Treasurer Robb Smith advised that an amendment to the budget would be necessary to pay this approximate \$2,400 assessment, a motion was made by IPP Al Bonney that Treasurer Robb Smith earmark the amount necessary to fund the District \$2 per member contribution to the Society's "U Can Sing 2" recruitment initiative, supported by EVP Raleigh Bloch. Motion carried unanimously.

After further discussion it was determined that a letter would be sent by hard mail to chapter presidents advising them that the District had paid the \$2 per man assessment and that each chapter was being asked to acquire an ownership interest in the program by reimbursing the District, Secretary Marvin Skupski to draft the letter and submit it to Board Members for approval before posting.

CONVENTION MATRIX: Discussion of complementary registration for historian, auditor, Troubadour editor and discussion of room expense for practice judges. Discussion of removing the 7:00 am leave home time requirement. It was agreed without formal motion that these matters would be discussed and resolved by e-mail or other electronic means. No formal action was taken.

MISCELLANEOUS: Discussion was had about ribbons touting our competitors at the International Convention. Without formal motion it was agreed that the District would continue

acquiring and distributing these ribbons to Pioneer International Convention attendees.

Discussion was had about the price of ribbons for convention ID badges. Suggestion was made that we collect badges Sunday morning when convention attendees are checking out. No action taken. Suggestion was made that we eliminate the ribbons and have different colored backgrounds on the badge card stock. No formal action taken.

Secretary Marvin Skupski was assigned to ascertain if a better price can be had by buying ribbons in bulk.

Discussion was had about delay in furnishing data necessary for the District to send billings for use of the Big Screen at contest events. No formal action was taken.

Discussion was had of the Olympic style opening at International Convention. No formal action was taken.

Discussion was had about the convention photographer being asked to supply photos or access to photos of quartets and choruses at no charge. Without formal motion Secretary Marvin Skupski was instructed to advise the photographer that any request to provide cost-free photographs must be cleared through Secretary Marvin Skupski.

ADJOURNMENT: Without Formal motion the meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin Skupski, District Secretary

Date and location of next Pioneer District Board of Directors Meeting to be determined.

ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN AS DIRECTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

BUDGET AMENDMENT: Treasurer Robb Smith to rework the Budget to accommodate the \$2 per member assessment to help fund the Society's "U Can Sing 2" recruitment initiative.

LETTER TO CHAPTER PRESIDENTS: Secretary Marvin Skupski to draft a letter to chapter presidents advising that the District had paid the \$2 per man assessment to fund the Society's "U Can Sing 2" recruitment initiative and asking each chapter to acquire an ownership interest in the recruitment initiative by reimbursing the District, the letter to be submitted to Board Members for approval before posting.

CONVENTION MATRIX: Complementary registration for committee chairs, Troub Editor and rooms for practice judges and the 7:00 am leave-home-time to be discussed and resolved by e-mail or other electronic means.

CONVENTION ID BADGE RIBBONS: Secretary Marvin Skupski to check with Jack Schneider on the advisability of using different colored convention ID card stock in place of ribbons. Secretary Marvin Skupski to ascertain if a better price for convention ID badge ribbons can be had by buying ribbons in bulk.

CONVENTION PHOTOGRAPHER: Secretary Marvin Skupski to advise the convention photographer that any request to provide cost-free photographs must be cleared through Secretary Marvin Skupski.
