

Fairbanks Frontier Chorus Management Team Meeting September 13, 2022

Attendees: Janice Cleworth, Judy Dellinger, Amy Dye, Kanza Keill, Dody Maki, Gayle Miller, Jennifer Shelton, and Carol Slater.

We met via zoom. Carol called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Agenda: The agenda was approved with no amendments.

Minutes: Minutes from the August 9, 2022 meeting were approved with no amendments.

Financial report: The financial report for August 2022 was approved with no amendments.

Team Reports:

Music: Gayle provided a written report. August saw the cancellation of the Fair performance. The team is working on learning tracks for the Christmas music. August rehearsals focused on songs for IFFF 2023 during the short window before we start Christmas music. We are scheduled to perform our Christmas Package on 12/17/22 at the Methodist Church at 3 pm.

Fundraising: Dody provided a written report. The team is meeting regularly via Zoom to work on IFFF to be held on 2/18/23. They are defining the tasks to be done. Abbey is asking people to volunteer. They are looking for a venue and a caterer. Their first choice venue, Monroe High School, is unlikely as the gym is still under construction. Their second choice, Ryan Middle School, has a nice multipurpose room. They are seeking and collecting items for the auction. They are looking for “experience-type” auction items. They are asking businesses or chorus members to donate Spectacular Desserts. Marla’s Bakery is a tentative yes to donate a dessert. They are soliciting ads from business supporters for the program.

Membership: Joy provided a written report and Carol presented it on Joy’s behalf, as she wasn’t able to join the meeting. A 2-part orientation plan was made for Steffanie and the first half was done. Dody asked, since the 2nd orientation was canceled, if she could invite Steffanie to a fundraising team meeting so she can learn firsthand what her team does. Gayle informed Dody that Steffanie teaches in the morning.

Visual: Janice provided a written report. The team met to discuss the Christmas show and IFFF. She would like chorus members to wear more refined Christmas sweaters instead of goofy looking shirts. The team will do the staging décor for the IFFF venue.

Production: Jen provided a written report. The team met to discuss and assign tasks. They are looking for a photographer as Todd Paris isn’t available. Suggestions were made to check with Kevin Hunefeld or to see if Ellen could do them. We know Kevin has lighting equipment and backdrops. Jen will see if Ellen is able to provide that. We would pay for the photos. Amy said in past years we paid no more than \$200. Jaunelle Celaire also does photography.

Communications: Kanza provided a written report. Regarding the trailer ramp, Kanza and her husband, Don, met with Amy’s husband John to look at the trailer. Kanza said she noticed the trailer wasn’t under the shelter all of the way and wondered when it had been moved. After looking at the trailer, they came up with three options: 1) Rebuild the back of the trailer so the door opens down to become a ramp. 2) Rebuild the back of the trailer so there is a place for a purchased ramp to fasten. 3) Purchase a new trailer. White Spruce Trailers had two in stock for \$5000-\$6000 each. We could sell our old trailer for \$2500-\$3000 at least and possibly get Auto

Trim Design to do our logo decals for the sides. She hadn't been able to get estimates from Bullet-Proof Trailers or Interior Welding for costs to retro the door and costs for a ramp. It was suggested that if we get a new trailer, to get one tall enough for the risers to stand up so we didn't have to stack them. They would need to be strapped to keep them upright. The risers should be measured to see how tall the trailer would need to be. It's possible we could use the trailer to store the clam shell and other things in also. It was suggested to look on Facebook Marketplace for a trailer. It was suggested that we apply for a GVEA GoodCents grant. The team discussed how much we could spend on a trailer and decided on a \$6,000 limit.

For the rest of Kanza's report, Kanza noted that the Latitude 65 notices have been showing up the last couple of weeks thankfully, since these were guest night notices. She uploaded Christmas music learning tracks on the website and did another training session with Judy on how to work with the website.

Old Business:

Christmas Show: Gayle reported that the Great Land Sounds chorus director, Patti, resigned. The GLS found a UAF graduate who directed their last two rehearsals.

New Business:

There wasn't any new business to discuss.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Next meeting: October 11, 2022, at 6:00 pm via zoom.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Judy Dellinger, Secretary.