

Rochester Oratorio Society Board Meeting
October 18, 2018 6:30 PM
Asbury First United Methodist Church

Present: Marc Smith, Sue Geier, Jenny Horn, Carole Huther, Sandy Moncrief, Maura Slon, Jeff Wright
Ex-Officio: Kathy Green, JoAnn Lampman, Dennis Rosenbaum, Eric Townell
Excused: Nina Fagnoli, Brigid Harrigan, Dan McInerney, Sarah Reynolds, Sarah Stage, Lauri Van Hise, Kate Washington

Meeting called to order - We do NOT have a quorum tonight, no approvals can be made

Report of Artistic Director - Eric Townell - Written; Highlights include:

- Excellent month for ROS! Concerts very satisfying!
- Resonanz working hard - new gig at Women's Rights Historical Park - thanks to all!
- Floor at Stardust Ballroom is collapsing = no events there for several months. Transferring events to Port of Rochester - includes A City Sings in December. Possibility of free bus transportation? Alternate venue?

Report of Arts Administrator - Dennis Rosenbaum - Written; Highlights include:

- First time using Vendini - basically happy with results, as are Kathy & Donna; tickets processed quickly - could be printed at rehearsals
- Thanks to Kathy's daughter for a great job!
- 260 tickets scanned for Friday, October 12th concert; more than \$1,300 in donations - one from St. Pius Church

Finance Report - Kathy Green - Written

- Member money put into first concert was reported last month
- Expenses incomplete at this time
- Resonanz - \$300 at Genesee Country Museum
- Venue rental will be determined

Alumni Communications

- Weekly news goes to current singers only - how to communicate with alums as well?

A 75th Anniversary Committee should be formed

Next meeting - Recommit to committees, send out to membership at large

For the first time, folks have indicated desire to be part of ROS, not just as singers!

Vocal Competition Update / Name

- Thanks to Sue and Jeff for work on *Rochester International Vocal Competition*
- No need to go to expense of trade marking name, new name very good / generic; way to reference ROS?
- Sarah Stage to write up branding guidelines
- Thanks to Sarah and Barbara Erway for work in bringing this change about
- Social media to be edited to reflect name change; change to be detailed on website; Marc to explain change at rehearsal October 22nd
- Lawyer from other company gave ROS until end of 2018 to change name everywhere - past, present, future
- Name change to be approved at November Board Meeting
- Letter to all involved (judges, vendors, etc.) detailing name change
- Call from Brigid = QUORUM! *A motion was made, seconded, and carried unanimously to approve the new name of the ROS spring vocal competition: **Rochester International Vocal Competition.** Thank you, Brigid!*

New Business

- New - and old - ROS members may like ROS bag or T-shirt, etc. Karen Kral may care for this. Decals available
- Four finalists' names shared with Governance Committee

Meeting adjourned - Next Board Meeting Thursday, November 15, 6:30 PM, at Asbury First

Sandy Moncrief