EVPO Board Meeting February 10, 2023

Gail H, Margie, Julie, Mike, Chris, Gail and Steve were in attendance.

Call to order: 1:30pm

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved with the amendment that we were inquiring about recruiting a harpist and not purchasing.

Treasurer's Report was read and details explained. It was approved.

Old Business:

Diversity – looking better. Julie is going to continue to research minority composers.

Orchestra status – trailer hauler problems have been resolved – sadly one of our flutes is leaving us so we are looking for a replacement – everything else looks good.

Covid – the status in Maricopa is low. And there have been no big outbreaks in the orchestra.

St. Marks status – will always be a question for the foreseeable future – seems okay so far. It is not good financially but is able to be supported. There is a possibility of the school renting out some facilities which could have some impact on us.

Bylaws – a brief meeting minutes will be prepared showing the updated bylaws.

Orchestra status – we have another violin! Everything looks good.

Orchestra advertising in Chandler Symphony's printed program – it was inside the program and looked good. A question was brought up if a new picture of us would be taken at Silveridge and Julie will look into it.

Monthly newsletter – Marilyn sent a PDF version which did not look good. It has been fixed but now it is out of date. It would be nice to put it out anyway. In order to get one out on a regular basis Julie proposed we have a monthly newsletter committee – she will discuss with Marilyn.

New Business:

There was a volunteer that has offered to scan South Pacific since it is so old. They would also like to scan all of our music. No one is comfortable releasing all of the music at once but would allow piece by piece. We currently have 240 to 250 arrangements. It was decided to start with one to check quality and move on from there.

What is the philosophy of acquiring new music? Julie and Chris decide – usually two sets per season – they are always looking for new ideas.

Music Stands – everything is fine so far. We have 6 portable and members of the orchestra are helping with their own stands. We just need to remember not to put personal stands on trailer.

Do we need a visual aid for the Richey Fund? There was some discussion on this subject and it was decided not to pursue at this time.

New shirts for orchestra members – if enough members want them Sally Miller will run with this

Directors Forum:

Board status – Steve Vogel does not need to continue but he decided he would. There will be no changes this year.

Chris – we should help out with coffee supplies. It was decided to add \$50 from our fund to cover this with our rent.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm

Next meeting – March 10, 2023

Gail Harvey, Secretary