

# Valdosta Choral Guild

## Board Meeting Minutes

Dec 15, 2014

The regular meeting of the Valdosta Choral Guild Board of Directors was held at Messiah Lutheran Church on Monday, December 15 at 7:00 pm. The following members were present: Ann Embry, Polly Diamond, Ralph Gosnell, Jim Rinehart, Brittany Brown, Patti Erskine, Richard Uhler, Margie Vollenweider, Daniel Folsom, and Jean Plondke.

### **Review/ Approval of Minutes**

Ann Embry called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

The total before the meeting was \$7,512.24.

### **Correspondence:**

None

### **Reports:**

#### **Concert:**

Ralph reported that we had 153 and 152 in attendance. Brittany reported that we violated the fire marshal occupancy rating. The sanctuary is rated for 150, and including choir we were considerably over this number. The options for next year: add a concert or move venues.

It was discussed that remaining at Messiah was a good idea for several reasons, so moved and approved to go to 3 concerts in December if we remain at Messiah next year.

#### **Music Director's report:**

Brittany suggested "Songs of the South" for the next concert. It will have 3 parts: the cotton era (pre Civil War), the Civil War, and the Civil Rights movement. This will celebrate/acknowledge the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War (April 9 will be 150 years).

Brittany's list was approved. This will involve purchasing new music, total under \$1000.

Rehearsals will begin January 12. The spring concerts will be May 3 and 4. This way they don't conflict with VSU graduation or Mother's Day. There will be only 2 concerts for spring.

**Old business:**

Jim bought a hard drive for committee reports. Polly is to get her information onto the drive next.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 8: 15.

Respectfully submitted

Jean Plondke, Secretary