**Attendees**: Jack Press, President//Dave Kirby, Treasurer//Kirk Prather, Secretary//Ben Marder, VP Membership Chapter Development//Tom Raffety, VP Music Performance (& Chorus Director)//Jeffery Bunch, Chorus Manager (& Asst. Director)//Beth Karlin, VP Marketing & PR //Bob Karlin, VP Communications//Mark Wolf, Past President//Kathie Edwards, Bd Member at Large// Phil Lockwood, & Ron Malkin, elected Bd-Members-at Large for 2021-22// (see last page for Board of Directors for 2019-21 calendar years.

Zoom Meeting called to order at 7 pm Jan 20,2021 with Jack Press, President, Presiding

**Old Business**

**Secretary, Kirk Prather—**Board Meeting Minutes Dec 16, 2020 approved by Bd Motion. Kirk Prather Sent 2020-21 membership renewal cards to Matthew Schreiber & Randy Klopfleisch

**Treasurer Report:** Dave Kirby: Chapter Bank Operating Account Jan 20, 2021 $3,658 which leaves $2,624 spendable funds after ASCAP/BMI past due $1,034 fees are paid.

**Officer VP Reports Posted on Chapter website for Jan 20, 2021 Bd Mtg,: Membership, Music, Program, Communications Report, Chorus Mgr (no report)**

**Membership VP**: **Ben Marder:** VHS Chapter 2021 Officer Installation and Awards Mtg was held as a Zoom meeting Jan 11, 2021. The 12 new 2021 Chapter Board of Directors, listed at the end of this document were sworn in by Shelley Herman, our only 50+ years active chapter member who has held many key leadership officer positions. Tom Raffety, announced, Bob Karlin, VP Communications, was the winner of the **“Barber-shopper-of-the-Decade” 2011-2020** award. Dave Kirby, “2019 Barber-shopper-of-the-year” award winner announced Matthew Schreiber was the winner of the **“2020 Barber-shopper-of-the-year”** award.

Both Bob Czubiak and Ben Marder were awarded the 2020 San Fernando Valley Chapter “Order of the Broken Donkey” awards for their years of Exceptional Service to the Chapter. Tom Raffety, Chapter Chorus Director, VP of Music, was awarded the 2020 Rang Hansen Memorial Award. Mark Wolf, Past President and Treasurer, was awarded the 2020 Doug Ward Memorial Award. Bob Karlin was awarded the Roger Dixon Memorial Award. Kathie Edwards

was awarded the Owen Edwards Jr Memorial Award.

Ben Marder at the Board meeting explained that he believed the chapter needs a policy regarding our chapter sending out song sheet music and copy-righted learning tracks to prospective chapter members who live outside the San Fernando Valley area so that they can participate in in our Zoom chorus rehearsal meetings. On the other hand, these remote located chapter membership prospects may not find it practical in the future to drive very time-consuming long distances to Van Nuys in traffic when we resume our in-person chorus rehearsals in Van Nuys, and thus would not find it practical to join our chapter as a member.

**Bob** Karlin submitted a motion to the Chapter Board of Directors that our chapter not send sheet music and digital-recorded learning tracks to any prospective chapter member prospect who lives outside of the geographical area of the San Fernando Valley. The motion passed unanimously. There are likely some desirable exceptions to the new passed motion. For example, prospects who live outside the geographical San Fernando Valley who are good singers and who are currently employed & work in the San Fernando Valley, and/or also have plans to soon move into the SFV might be able to attend our future in-person chorus rehearsals and want to audition and join our chapter as a member.

In these exception cases then our Membership VP Ben Marder needs to obtain mutual agreement with our chapter Music VP & Chorus Director, Tom Raffety, and with Bob Karlin, our Communication VP in regard to whether the sheet music and learning ,tracks should be sent to these prospects who live outside the San Fernando Valley area.

**Music VP:** **Tom Raffety’s Report, posted Jan 20, 2021 Bd Meeting**

**Chorus Mgr: Jeffery Bunch, no report**

**Program VP:** **Mark Singer’s report, posted Jan 20, 2021 Bd Meeting**

**Marketing & PR VP:**  **Beth Karlin, no report**

**Communications VP: Bob Karlin’s report, Posted Jan 20, 2021 Bd Mtg** :

* Bob asked that board Members to please fill out our chapter Skill Set questionnaires that reveals personal skills and talents that could be useful in chapter operations and producing shows and singouts.

**Past President: Mark Wolf: no report**

**Members at Large: no reports**

.**Jack Press, President, Assigned an Action Item to Kirk Prather & Beth Karlin, Board Members, to contact Ralphs Grocery Chain and Amazon an on-line retailer to register the VHS chapter as a non-profit 501(c )3 tax-exempt organization, and also register the store customers who are VHS chapter members & friends to participate in the companies’ annual charitable donation program. The companies donate a small percentage of total annual purchases by registered customers who specify VHS chapter, as their preferred recipient of the companies’ annual donation to non-profit 501(c )3 non-profit, tax-exempt charitable organizations.**

**New Business**

**Jack Press, President assigned new Board members to contact BHS to participate in their on-line “Youth** (under 18 Years of Age) **Training Program” required for all VHS Board Members by BHS.** Got to the BHS website, look up and read about the “Youth Training Program”, sign up and listen to assigned on-line videos, read the on line assigned reading material, take & pass the on-line short Test, and make your participation training is registered with BHS with your training certificate.

**Jack Press: announced:** Next Zoom Music Team Meeting is Feb 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Next Zoom Board meeting is Wed Feb 17, 2021 7:00 pm.

List of Board Members 2019 2020 2021 E=elected, or serving 2nd yr

President Ben Marder Jack Press Jack Press 2nd yr

Past President Shelley Herman Shelley Herman Mark Wolf E 2021 2nd yr

Secretary Dave Kirby Kirk Prather Kirk Prather E 2021-22

Treasurer Kirk Prather Dave Kirby Dave Kirby 2nd yr

VP Communications Bob Karlin Bob Karlin Bob Karlin 2nd yr

VP Music Performance Tom Raffety Tom Raffety Tom Raffety E 2021-22

VP Chapter Development Warren Garfield Ben Marder Ben Marder 2nd yr

VP Programming Jack Press Mark Singer Mark Singer E 2021-22

VP Marketing Ross Brown Ross Brown Beth Karlin E 2021-22

Board Member at Large# Mark Singer Kathy Edwards Ron Malkin E 2021 2nd yr

Board Member at Large Rochelle Herman Rochelle Herman Phil Lockwood E 2021-22

Chorus Mgr \*not-elected Jeffery Bunch\* Jeffery Bunch\* Jeffery Bunch\*

Meeting Adjourned 8:25 p.m. Jan 20, 2021