

**Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in  
America, Incorporated**

**Society Board Meeting  
Monday, February 7, 2022 | 4:00 pm CST  
Virtual: Zoom Conference Call**

**AGENDA**

**Executive Session Minutes 4:00pm**

Board Members

Jeremy Brann  
Steve Denino  
Marty Monson  
Dick Powell  
John Donehower  
Blair Brown  
John Santora  
Christian Hunter  
Maria Christian  
Zachary Materne

Staff

Erik Dove  
Erin Harris  
Devin Anna Bradford

Guests

Joe Berger  
Skipp Kropp  
Sherry Knight

**SBOD Exec Session**

- Contest Discussion
  - SPC Chair Steve Denino provided an update on the pending contest proposal and it's possible negative/positive consequences to the entire Operations of the Society.
    - Motion by Blair Brown:
      - I propose that the BHS Board approve the following recommendations with regard to the running of contests at the Society level, to wit:
        - a. That all competitions pertaining to the BHS international championships immediately become gender-blind
          - There shall be no divisions based on gender
          - There shall be no awards based on gender
          - The champion of each international-level competition shall be the highest scoring competitor

- This applies to all qualification competitions as well as the international competitions themselves
- b. There shall no longer be a restriction on the number of quartets that an individual can compete in at the international level
- Legal Update - reviewed process and progress
- Calendar Update
  - February working session in Nashville
  - March 6, Public meeting - Zoom
- Reviewed Parking Lot
- Adjourn - 4:46 pm CST