Society Board Meeting May 31, 2020

# Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Incorporated Zoom Conference Sunday, May 31, 2020

Meeting called to order by President Dick Powell approximately 7:02 p.m. CST on Sunday, May 31, 2020.

## The following action was taken:

Quorum: Secretary Martin Monson confirmed the presence of a quorum to President Powell.

# The following officers were present:

#### Officers

Society President Dick Powell
Society Executive Vice President John Miller
Society Treasurer John Santora
Society Past President Skipp Kropp
Society Secretary Martin Monson (non-voting)

## **Board Members**

Jeremy Albright
Jeremy Brann
Blair Brown
John Donehower
Randy Loos
Bernard Priceman
Perry White (non-voting)

# **Society Staff**

Erik Dove, BHS Chief Financial Officer Erin Harris, BHS Chief Program Officer Holly Kellar, BHS Chief Marketing Officer Kevin Lynch, BHS Chief Strategy Officer Megan Henderson, Executive Assistant

# **Special Guests**

Joe Berger, G&B Chairperson Murray Phillips, Chair of the Nominating Committee Bill Hickman, Board Member at Large Candidate Mark Fortino, Board Member at Large Candidate Christian Hunter, Board Member at Large Candidate Michele Niec, Board Member at Large Candidate Brian O'Dell, Board Member at Large Candidate Steve Denino, Executive Vice President Candidate, Member of the Strategic Planning Committee and the Leadership Operations Project Team

Nick Schwob, District President's Council Moderator

District Presidents: Paul Martin (NSC), Bob Eckman (MAD), John Rettenmayer (EVG), Chuck Steiner (SUN) Alan Lamson from the Election Process Task Force

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

## **Request for Waiver of Notification Requirement**

Motion passed to waive the notification requirement.

• Reinstatement of Dick Powell as Society President

Motion approved and passed, "That Dick Powell be returned to his Society President position effective immediately and Acting President Skipp Kropp be returned to his position as IPP."

• Mr. Powell thanked Mr. Kropp for leading the society during this pandemic.

## **Recognition of Guests**

#### **MINUTES:**

Motion made and passed to approve and accept the minutes from April 19th.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

• Receipt of Society Committee & Task Force Reports

## Motion made and passed to receive the following Committee Reports:

- Strategic Planning Committee report from SPC Chair, John Miller
  - O The SPC strongly endorses the business planning pivot which entails reaching the BHS Members, PIBs, all parts of the Global Barbershop ecosystem, and even the wide family of choral associations. We applied the creativity which employs technology, as well as safe distancing, to engage all in a richness of Barbershop opportunities and experiences. We further applied how the Pivot Plan has addressed the cost/revenue implications in a way that is both active and transformative.
- Finance Report
- Governance Task Force
  - O <u>Submitted the written report</u> provided for review from Jeremy Albright.
- Election Task Force
  - Report and recommendation provided by Alan Lamson
    - The report provided lays out the recommendation on how we should proceed to give the DPC a vote in our board member election process.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Governance and Bylaws
  - o The following motion was passed to revise Article V (elections) of Society Bylaws:

Motion made and passed that the board hereby directs G&B to update Article V (elections) of the bylaws reflecting the policy that the DPC has been given a vote in the board election process. Further, that the procedure for casting this vote be tested at this year's annual meeting, and the results, if workable, be added to the board operating manual currently being written.

#### **PARKING LOT**

- Governance and Bylaws Committee will:
  - Provide additional guidance on the Ethics Committee report concerning social media, politics, and board membership.
  - Review the Board Policy Manual and create an annual policy review process.

Board meeting was adjourned and the voting board members and invited guests: members of the BHS Executive Team, moved into Executive Session at approximately 7:28 pm Central Time.

# Adjournment

The executive session was adjourned at approximately 9:01 pm Central Time.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin L. Monson, Executive Secretary