

**Subject: The Vail Choral Annual Meeting - Initial Draft of Minutes**

Board of Directors Annual Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 10, 2025, 6:30pm, Arizona Senior Academy

The mission of the Vail Chorale is to create experiences that move, enrich and inspire by connecting people in the community through outreach and the performing arts.

**Attendance**

Janet Canez, President

Holly Gonzalez, Secretary

Julie Dawson, board member

Mindi Bennett, guest

Dale Thoreen, Treasurer, absent

Melissa Hale, Director

Leslie Nitzberg, PR / Coordinator

Erika Brand, Librarian

Martie Maierhauser, PR

**Welcome and Call to Order (5 minutes)**

Call to Order @ 6:33pm

**Minutes from March 11, 2024 Annual Meeting & Special Meeting, August 5, 2024 Minutes(5 minutes)**

- Motion to Approve Minutes from both meetings approved

**President's Report (5 minutes)**

- Annual IRS Report to update IRS form - Dale

**Financials (5 minutes)**

- Next Annual Meeting to discuss previous year's Budget Comparison statement
- Request Dale to send 2024 final Budget Comparison statement to the board for approval.

## **Election of Officers (5 minutes)**

- Motion Approved to add Melinda Bennett as a Member of the Board.
- Board accepted resignation of Dan Angelo's Member of the Board.
- Motion to retain current Board Members, President, Secretary, Treasurer, Member at Large, Approved.

## **Old Business (5 Minutes)**

- Motion to update 501c3 organization name from Vail Performing Arts Society to The Vail Chorale Approved last year at Special Meeting
  - o Impacts/Considerations to 501c3:
    - § Bank Account -- Completed
    - § Merge Leadership Team -- Completed
    - § Possible Update to Articles & Bylaws --
      - Melissa Hale director duties in future Seasons due to family commitments might be a concern. Fall back solutions
      - o Assistant to Director – obtain interest
      - o Mike Milton and April Layher currently supporting.
      - Next Annual Meeting Monday, March 9, 2026
      - Motion approved to accept updated Bylaws with name change.

## **New Business (20 Minutes)**

- Establish a fundraising Committee
  - o Discuss mission and why it is important to give back.
  - o Vail Chorale Baseball caps for sale or gift
  - o 50/50 Raffle Idea
  - o Go Fund Me – Set up by Holly Gonzalez
- § For a VUSD Music Student Scholarship Program
- § Join Vail School District Foundation scholarship – contact Stacy Winstryg.
  - Re-address a Grants & Scholarship Committee
  - o See Go Fund Me above.
  - Board Recruitment
  - o See Election of Officers

- o Open to Chorale to become part of the Leadership Team
  - Discussed addition of 3<sup>rd</sup> concert for Fall 2025 or Spring 2026
- o Set up Poll to option time for 3<sup>rd</sup> concert (Holly & Janet)
- o Which concert times work better, 2pm or 3pm, or doesn't matter, or it matters on specific day
  - Next Concert Dates – November 8 and 9<sup>th</sup> 2025
  - Reviewed Vail Chorale Ad for the Vail Voice
  - Set up Congratulations Card and Collection for baby gift for Kate Goren
  - Address ASWOT concerns in President's Report
- o See attached

#### **Meeting Closing and Adjournment (5 minutes)**

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:20pm

\*Holly Gonzalez\*

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