

**Far Western District
Summer Board Meeting
June 14 -15, 2013
Fullerton, California**

Meeting called to order at 1:00pm by President Russ Young.

President Young provided brief opening remarks, thanking the Board and DMT for their continued contributions.

Roll Call

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✓	Hughes	✓	Young
✓	Leavitt	✓	Heron
✓	Rosica	✓	Priceman
✓	Lund	Absent-	Feeney
✓	Bloomquist		

Approval of agenda - President Young requested to amend Society Board Nominations to the first order of new business due to the submission deadline.

MSP (Leavitt/Hughes)

10.9 Society Board Nominations

Reviewed previously distributed resumes and submitted ranked preferences for Society BOD. Recommended to submit candidates Deters, Powell, Galloway.

MSP (Priceman/Lund)

DVP Reports - See reports submitted to Peter

Southwest

Southeast

Northwest

Northeast

Arizona

Discussion ensued regarding the consistency of Senior awards across the Divisions. Ron Black to investigate standard practice at the

Division level and report at the Fall meeting.

9. Old Business

9.1 Membership Numbers vs. Budget - Discussion of real number vs. projections from 2008. Priceman's 2008 projections were fairly accurate for 2008-2013 when dues increase was taken into account. We will review again at the Fall meeting.

9.2 HCW Update - 4 quartets registered plus 7 individuals. Marketing of the event will continue, with several ads coming out in Evergreen and SAI publications to try and drive attendance. Papageorge to continue investigating the process and pricing of bringing a small chorus for coaching.

9.3 Membership Programs - No report

9.4 AFWDC Final Audit Report – Bernard Priceman reviewed his report of the financial audit of 2010-11. After some discussion, the findings were found to be acceptable and President Young requested a motion to accept the AFWDC as submitted. Treasurer Heron abstained from this vote by way of exiting the meeting for the remainder of the session.

9.5 Goals Review and distribution - President Young requested EVP Webb to work with the DMT and have an updated summary of the 2013 goals with details for implementation outlined by August 1, 2013.

9.6 Youth Chorus Sponsorship – Discussion ensued regarding a contract that was requested by Jim Clark on behalf of the Harmony Foundation that committed the FWD to its \$10k pledge for 2013. It was determined that there was no need to sign a contract and that the minutes from our Spring meeting would suffice as a commitment to Harmony Foundation.

9.7 Website update – President Young highlighted Webmaster David Melville's webmaster report and update. There has been a favorable opinion about the new site, although some of the content is still in development. One request from Melville was to extend the time we support the old server in order to pull the old data and functions into the new system. President Young requested a motion to fund the old host through October 31, 2013.

MSP (Hughes/Rosica)

10. New Business

10.1 Convention Manual Changes – President Young restated the concern that the convention manual needed updating and alignment with the SOP. Ted Sayle to establish a committee to review and recommend changes by Fall meeting.

10.2 Convention Schedules – There were discussions regarding the number of activities in a typical Division Convention day, with the recent combined SE/SW Division contest being cited. Ron Black to work with DVP's to investigate and make recommendations for combined Division Contest logistics.

10.3 Comp Registrations – Richard Lund discussed his findings on whether comp registrations made a significant difference in participation at Conventions. It was found to have no impact. Lund moved to eliminate the one time free convention registration to new members. Second Hughes

Following discussions the motion was amended to eliminate the one time free convention registration to new members after the Fall 2013 convention.

MSP (Lund/Hughes)

10.4 DMT Summary – EVP Webb discussed highlights of the DMT meeting held the evening prior. Since most of the board members were present for that meeting, there was little to discuss.

10.5 Draw for Fall Contests

Quartets

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| 1. Voices Of Excellence | 15. First Strike |
| 2. Heatwave | 16. The Front Line |
| 3. Speakeasy | 17. The Outliers |
| 4. Wildcard #2 | 18. Velvet Frogs |
| 5. Octaves | 19. Behind The Barn |
| 6. Constellation | 20. Unanimous |
| 7. Vocal Edition | 21. Classic Edition |
| 8. Joint Venture | 22. Four Fifteen |
| 9. Preferred Blend | 23. American Pastime |
| 10. Silver Knights | 24. Sound Encounter |
| 11. Don't Tell Mom | 25. Frequency |
| 12. The Newfangled Four | 26. Pipes |
| 13. SBPC | 27. Silver And Gold |
| 14. Wildcard #1 | |

Choruses

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| 1. La Jolla | 14. Rincon Beach |
| 2. Santa Rosa | 15. Santa Fe Springs |
| 3. South Bay | 16. Reno |
| 4. Palo Alto | 17. Fullerton |
| 5. Riverside | 18. Santa Monica |
| 6. Tucson | 19. Bay Area |
| 7. San Diego | 20. Marin |
| 8. South Orange County | 21. Brea |
| 9. Pasadena | 22. Fresno |
| 10. Sacramento | 23. Las Vegas |
| 11. California Delta | 24. Greater Phoenix |
| 12. Santa Barbara | 25. Davis-Vacaville |
| 13. Central California | |

Ron Black proposed the qualifying scores, as required by the SOP, for the 2014 District Contest, providing justification for his reasoning. Motion to raise the chorus qualifying score for the Fall District Contest to 62 (average).

MSP (Hughes/Lund)

Motion to raise the quartet qualifying score for the Fall District Contest to 68 (average).

MSP (Leavitt/Bloomquist)

10.6 Collegiate Quartet Assistance – President Young stated that the FWD has three Collegiate Quartets competing in Toronto. There was discussion regarding the FWD providing some financial assistance. Motion to provide \$150 per quartet for 2013.

MSP (Leavitt/Rosica)

10.7 SOP Changes

10.7.a Motion to change SOP 8.3.2.2.4.a add "with back rails" and 8.3.2.2.4.b add "with back rails"

MSP (Bloomquist/Rosica)

10.7.b High School Quartet Contest - It was agreed that the High School Quartet contest changes can be in the Convention Manual and it is not necessary to make changes in the SOP.

10.7.c AFWDC status & operating requirements – Motion to change all occurrences in the SOP which refer to an "Affiliate" to "Subsidiary". This is not specific to any group, but to all currently identified as affiliates.

MSP (Webb/Bloomquist)

Motion to change SOP 15.2.1 "All subsidiaries will conduct their financial reporting activities (to the FWD) according to generally accepted accounting principles (GAP)"

MSP (Priceman/Hughes)

Motion to add to SOP that all Subsidiaries will operate according to their approved bylaws.

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MSP (Leavitt/Rosica)
10.8 2013 Leadership Academy - Bergthold/Hughes to investigate three leadership academies with potential of combined CDD in the November to February time frame. Complete by August 1, 2013.
10.10 2014 FWD Budget
Tabled for future meeting TBD
10.11 Nominating Committee
Proposed slate for 2014

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| • IPP: Young | • DVP NE: Lund |
| • President: Webb | • DVP NW: Leavitt |
| • EVP: Bergthold | • DVP SE: Hughes |
| • Treasurer: Max Bates | • DVP SW: Neil Pennywaitt |
| • Secretary: TBD | • DVP AZ: Bloomquist |

MSP (Leavitt/Lund)

11. Information/Discussion Only Items

11.1 Chapter concern – President Young expressed concern regarding Associate members and their perception that there is little to no benefit to being an Associate. He will address those concerns with the individuals involved.

11.2 Toronto District Sponsorship – The banner project that had been previously approved to display in Toronto has been dropped due to lack of interest.

11.3 DMT Positions for 2014 – President Young requested that all FWD leaders actively seek potential members for the DMT positions being vacated in 2014. These include: Membership, CSLT, Events (mid-year), Finance Development and L & R. There are other positions that have been open for some time including LRP and Audit.

14. Adjourn – 5:06pm

MSP (Leavitt/Bloomquist)

Respectfully submitted
Allan Webb, Executive VP