

Mevagissey Male Choir- Minutes of Committee Meeting

7-30 Tuesday 19th May 2015 Mevagissey Social Club

Present. N. Nicholls, D. Leeson, G. Hoskins, M. Thompson, C. Burnett, M. Tate, S. Lawday, R. Mitchell,
R. Hunkin, C. Williams, S. Flavell, T. Scarratt.

Apologies. P. Vellenoweth

Minutes of Meeting held April 2015. Proposed M. Tate seconded S. Lawday.

Matters arising: Chairman has spoken to G. Rundle about Cyprus Trip/ Junior Choir and he is happy to continue with these projects. G. Willcocks was asked about any potential soloists J. Gill proposed it could be mentioned at choir practice asking for soloists.

Chairman's Report. Nothing to report

Treasurers Report. April was a relatively quiet month financially, it saw our total income start to catch-up on our total expenditure for the year, the overspend dropped from a little in excess of £1300 to a little over £760 this was due in part to the receipt of £370 in subscriptions and £204 in CD sales helped by the £150 fee from our second concert of the year. The balance would look even better if I had time to bank £84 from the sale of tickets to St. Johns which the choir had already paid for but that will now be credited in next month. Expenditure in April as you can see was reassuringly low, comprising Meva. Club membership for a committee member, postage, leisure, ware and the M. D.'s honorarium. As I am sure someone will notice, the spending plan is showing some discrepancy with our accounts which are reconciling monthly with our bank statements and must therefore be seen as the definitive position, the plan, as presented here, accounts for £115 less than actual income and 80p less than actual expenditure but since completing all the printing of the special meeting after practice on May 11th. I shall start the process of notifying both our banks of our change in officers. As I have heard nothing from HMRC concerning our claim for gift aid, I shall be in touch with them to establish whether or not I need to re-submit our claim and have yet to submit our financial reports to the Charity Commission but hope to do that too within the next month.

Secretaries Report. Letter sent to St. Austell Brewery thanking them for their hospitality at the weekend of the Joint concert at St. John's and provision of Pasties, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves, Email received from the World Choir for May 2016 no list of music to be sung available yet, no notification of who the soloist will be, but a request for £100 registration fee, this to be postponed until we know what we are singing.

Concert Secretary. Request for concert for August but are too busy. Request from Bath City Sound for Easter time 2016 this to be proposed to Choir at next Practice night.

Publicity. Good media cover for our 1000 concert re Radio/ Papers, thanks to P. Bowker for posters etc. also G. Hoskins for help with social media. Next concert for St. Austell Feast week A. Dibb is organising this event. Web site meeting held with Mark a lot of work has been carried out that is unseen at the moment. Mevagissey Museum seems very keen to accept Choir Memorabilia meeting with them very soon.

Social Secretary. Fowey Cruise proposed for Sat. 29th August 4-7pm at £14 per person this was thought to be at a very busy time of the year, looking for more dates in July/September,

Fundraising. Finding it very difficult to attract any support for the choir, Ocean cars will donate, Skinners offered beer - this will be confirmed, otherwise very difficult to attract anyone.

Almoner. No report except what was reported to choir practice yesterday.

1st Tenors: No report

2nd Tenors: Bryon still doing well, G. Williams would like to come back to choir but would not like to do concerts he would only like to attend practices, R. Mitchell will speak to him.

Baritones: Flourishing at the moment all new members doing well, all good attendances.

Basses: Chas doing well / very keen.

C.D.'s/ sales. Wheal Martyn £40, £82 at Heligan. Fountain out of C.D's. request made for Trelawney/ White Rose in Cornish may be a single C>D to be considered

AOB. R. Hunkin reported on music committee new music - Who are the Brave, Cornwall my home. Tears in Heaven, African trilogy, Home Loving Man, plus three Christmas songs, possibility for Nick Hart to arrange a song.

D. Leeson had been listening to our music on the Web Site and thought that the Choir had lost its tone thought this should be brought to the attention of the M. D.

M. Tate has received an Email from a retirement home in Goran asking if anyone could sing to them; ask the choir if they would like to do this.

N. Nicholls proposed a concert for Shelter box in aid of Nepal disaster fund G. Hoskins proposed the first concert on the Quay for this purpose voted on unanimously

Next meeting Tuesday 16th June

Meeting closed at 9-07

Signed Chairman

Date