

Tahoma Chapter NATS
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Sunday, March 28, 2021
Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Attendees

Ryan Bede (President), Leischen Moore (Vice President for Auditions), Darcie Fulkerson (Secretary), Janine Dodd (Board Member, President-Elect), Jan Nelson (Treasurer), Soon Cho (Board Member), Jinshil Yi (Board Member, Secretary-Elect), Brianna Kramer, Denise Daverso, Nancy Bos, Laura Sheperd, Harriet Hodge, Melanie Stroud, Fran Reid

I. Call to Order

President Ryan Bede called the meeting to order at 1:16 pm.

II. Additions to Agenda (Bede)

There were no additions to the Agenda. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the Agenda.

III. Approval of January General Meeting Minutes (Fulkerson)

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2021 General Meeting.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Auditions (Moore)

- o Leischen Moore reported that our chapter had several singers who participated in the Northwest Regional Auditions. We also have several singers who have qualified for Nationals.
- o Ryan Bede thanked Leischen Moore for all of her work organizing our chapter auditions. He also expressed his gratitude to Hsin Yi Lin for coordinating the Northwest Regional Auditions.

B. Scholarship (Cho)

There were 12 participants in the Scholarship Auditions. This is the same number as 2020. Judges: Barry Johnson (PLU), Leischen Moore, and Linda McAllister (Schmidt Vocal Arts). Soon Cho mentioned that the Scholarship Committee would like to add an "Encouragement Award". She asked that we discuss this idea at a later time.

C. Spring Fling (Kramer)

Brianna Kramer thanked Soon Cho and Janine Dodd for putting together this event.

V. Treasurer's Report (Nelson)

Jan Nelson reported that four students still need to claim their awards from the Student Auditions. She will send reminders to the students' teachers. Jan has paid one Scholarship award and is waiting on the other one.

VI. New Business

A. Election/Installation of New Officers (Bede)

Two new officers were elected unanimously: Janine Dodd (President; 2-year term) and Jinshil Yi (Secretary; 2-year term). One At-Large position will remain open until filled. Ryan Bede will remain on the Executive Board for one more year as Past President. As outgoing President, Ryan Bede thanked outgoing Secretary Darcie Fulkerson for her service the past three years. Ryan also thanked everyone for their support since he joined the Tahoma Chapter six years ago. He then turned the meeting over to newly-elected President Janine Dodd who thanked Ryan for his leadership the past two years.

B. "So You Want to Sing Gospel" Book Club Update

Nancy Bos gave us an update on the book club, saying the discussions have been an "awesome" community builder and a safe space for talking about sensitive topics. There have been 11 attendees, three of whom are not Tahoma chapter members.

The virtual workshop with author Dr. Robinson-Martin is scheduled for April 24 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Jan Nelson said registration is available on the Tahoma NATS website. Click on the event and that will take you to EventBrite for registration and payment. The workshop is free for Tahoma chapter members.

VII. Announcements

1. July 8-10, 2021 - NATS Summer Virtual Workshop "Lighting the Spark: Inspiring Diverse Repertoire"
2. July 7-10, 2021 - NSA Semi Final & Final rounds (in conjunction with Summer Workshop)
3. NATSAA Regional - October 2021 (Seattle). Holly Boaz is asking for volunteers.
4. Schmidt Competition (virtual) - May 8, 2021. Masterclass starts at 1:00 and awards follow at 2:00 pm. All spots are filled.
5. Other Announcements from Members

Nancy Boss told us that the Celebrate Singing Conference will be April 16-18, 2021.

Fran Reid encouraged us to call on other Tahoma NATS teachers to step in and teach our students if we have a health concern as she did. She thanked Ryan Bede and Janine Dodd for working with her students while she was ill.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darcie Fulkerson
Tahoma Chapter NATS Secretary
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