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SFBAC  
Minutes of the Board Meeting  
Sunday, August 3, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 2:40 PM at the home of President Wendy Hillhouse.

Present: Wendy Hillhouse, Meghan Dibble, Dorothy Barnhouse, Sue Field, Sharon Kaye, Tina Baird, April McNeely, Grace Johnson, Victoria Rapanan, Alison Collins  
Absent: Joshua Elder

President Wendy Hillhouse welcomed the new Board.

Alison Collins was confirmed as the new Corresponding Secretary by an email vote of the Board.

Membership Chair Grace Johnson:

We have a new member, Marissa Atha from Sacramento. When new members come in, all Board members should be informed. Computer listings are being brought up to date. There is a membership directory for the use of members only on the National website.

Corresponding Secretary Alison Collins:

She will send reports via email. We have three members who are not on email. Reports and announcements should be sent to her via email.

Festival Chair April McNeely:

California State University East Bay has changed its policies regarding outside use, including that it now charges for use. She is still trying to get a venue for the Festival and the date is not yet confirmed. She is leaning toward March 21 as a date because of school schedules.

Meghan will check on Canada College as a possible venue. Sharon is offering to do the hospitality for the Festival. Festival assistants needed. April will send an email to set up meeting when she has more information.

Recitals Chair Victoria Rapanan:

Recital locations are needed in Marin and on the Peninsula. Recitals are scheduled for November in Rossmoor and for January in Danville.

Dorothy Barnhouse requested that a commendation be made to Diana Rae Ryan for all the hard work she has done over the last few years.

Website Manager Meghan Dibble:

She will have a page for each member who wishes to be on the website. She would like to move from our present arrangement to a Sharepoint platform. This will make for a consistent presentation of announcements and also be easier to do. We could then offer a website to each member.

The Oren Brown presentation is now available on DVD as well as VHS.

Meghan requested not to be the fulfillment center for any selling that the chapter might do. Sue Field volunteered to do our selling.

People registering for any of our symposiums can now do so online.

Meghan will arrange the website so that when people search for singing teachers, our teachers will be the first choices available.

The Barlow, Cohen and Swift funds are currently not listed on the website. It was suggested that they appear there as scholarships.

The Kathryn Harvey grant has not yet arrived.

Sue Field will scan the (hard copy) newsletter into digital form in order that it will be available for the website.

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Newsletter Editor Joshua Elder:

Joshua not being able to be present at the meeting there was no report made.

Treasurer Dorothy Barnhouse:

We continue to operate in the black. Currently our CDs, at 2.37%, come due at the same time. Dorothy will rearrange this so that they mature at different times.

Files will be kept in Sharon's garage. Chapter coffee urns are currently in Sharon's garage.

Program Chair Sue Field:

The Fall Symposium will be held Sunday, October 12, 2008 from 1:30 - 5:30 PM in the Osher Salon of the San Francisco Conservatory at 50 Oak St. in San Francisco. Babette Lightner will speak on "The Anatomy of Wholeness: Foundations of Freedom for Singers." More information about her can be found at [www.babetterlightner.com](http://www.babetterlightner.com) and will also be in our September newsletter. Private, seme-private or small groups sessions with Babette can be held on Saturday, October 11 at \$80/hour. Booking should be made through Sue Field. The cost of the symposium to SFBAC will be \$600 plus airline fare. We can ask for money from National for these costs. We will charge for this symposium a regular fee of \$35 and \$10 for students; Conservatory students are free of charge, because the Conservatory is donating the space.

Dates for Board meetings for the coming year were chosen. There will be meetings September 28, 2008, November 23, 2008, January 25, 2009, and April 19, 2009. All these meetings are scheduled for 2:30 PM. The annual General Meeting will be held Sunday, June 21, 2009.

Minutes shall be sent first to Wendy for corrections and then to the google-group of the Board and must appear on the website within 2 weeks of a Board meeting.

A quorum of the Board shall consist of 7 members. Any financial decisions must be a unanimous Board decision. There was some discussion as how to attain this if some Board member(s) were absent from a meeting.

Tina reported on the DVD "Air Is A Gift." It is currently not in an approvable form.

There was some discussion of the ownership of the google-group of the Board. We have two google-groups: one of Board members and one of the entire membership. Alison needs to get material in a timely fashion.

National is encouraging chapters to form SNATS [Student NATS] chapters.

Adjournment was made at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Baird, Recording Secretary