

**Lawrence Civic Choir (LCC) Board Meeting
September 15, 2003
First Baptist Church**

Present: Present at the September 15, 2003, meeting were board members Lois Orth-Lopes, Mike Boring, Andi Parson, Elaine McCullough, Fred Johnson, Robert J. Vaughan, Steve Eubank (ex-officio), Dave Ice, Marlene Merrill, Karen Abraham, and Sandra Walton. Matt Veatch arrived late. Robert J. Vaughan recorded the minutes.

1. Sandy read a letter from S. Gilbert that included high praise for Steve Eubank
2. **Bob Craig's resignation from the board**
 - 2.1. Lois stated that Bob Craig had resigned from the board.
 - 2.2. It was pointed out that this would have been his 3rd year as a board member.
 - 2.3. The group discussed the process for filling Bob's board position.
 - 2.3.1. It was suggested that perhaps Margaret Holdeman could be appointed to the board in consideration of the fact that she lost by one vote in last election.
 - 2.3.2. The board agreed that it would be appropriate to have the membership vote on a new board member to replace Bob Craig.
3. **Point/Counterpoint concerning level of commitment to the choir**
 - 3.1. Mike observed that additional performances and rehearsals would create the financial issue of extra expenses for the director and accompanist.
 - 3.1.1. It was pointed out the accompanist receives compensation for extra rehearsals and concerts while the director, to this point, has not been remunerated for the extra rehearsals and performances.
 - 3.2. Mike suggested a 3-4 month set: Fall, Winter/Spring, Summer.
 - 3.2.1. He emphasized that planning for future events is important, as the choir has not planned and advertised especially well in the past.
 - 3.3. Major issue – Commitment: Choir members committing to multiple concerts per semester.
 - 3.3.1. Example for Spring 2004:
 - 3.3.1.1. April 23rd rehearsal, 7 p.m.
 - 3.3.1.2. April 24th concert at Free State, 8 p.m.
 - 3.3.1.3. April 25th concert at Baker Univ., 3:30 p.m.
 - 3.3.2. Clause. If there is a problem making the full set of concerts, see Steve.
 - 3.4. **Motion:** Dave Ice moved that the board write a statement for general dissemination to choir that the expectation is for all members of the choir to commit in writing to participate in all scheduled performances at the time that they pay their semester dues.
 - 3.4.1. Marlene Merrill seconded this motion. The **motion failed**.
 - 3.5. **Motion:** Marlene Merrill moved that the board adopt a policy requiring that LCC members make a written commitment to participate in all performances of that choral period that are known and listed at the time the choral period begins.
 - 3.5.1. Elaine seconded the motion, and the **motion carried**.
 - 3.5.2. Steve suggested that membership cards be generated each semester with the scheduled concert dates listed on the card.
 - 3.5.3. The group agreed that this new idea of commitment would begin next semester (Spring 2004).
 - 3.5.4. The group also agreed that it would, at a future meeting, define the term "choral period."
4. **Member survey**
 - 4.1. Joan Pease presented the results of the choir member survey conducted during the Spring 2003 semester.
 - 4.2. She indicated that Rick Bixler had compiled the results.
 - 4.3. Joan said she would give a copy of the results to Matt.
5. **Next meeting:** Monday, October 6, 2003, 6:15 p.m., First Baptist Church