

Manatee Opera Guild Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes of the meeting  
January 9, 2024, 10:00 am  
Elizabeth Aversa's Home

**Present:** Elizabeth Aversa, Jeanne Yeagle, Syble DiGirolamo, Linda Buchhart, Cathy Knobel, Richard DeGennaro  
**Zoom:** Brenda Ianaro  
**On phone:** Angela Korsmo

Jeanne called the meeting to order at 10:12 am. A quorum is present.

**Secretary's report:**

Elizabeth moved to approve the minutes of the December 5 meeting and Cathy seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's report:** Maryanne was not present but she sent her report. Income in December of \$1,635.10; expenses of \$6,000. Syble moved and Elizabeth approved to accept. Passed unanimously. Elizabeth moved to give another \$5,000 to SOA at the Sweetheart Luncheon and Syble seconded. Passed unanimously. Our Sweetheart Cathy will present it.

**Committee chair reports:**

**Membership:** There are 80 members now, two new ones this month. Discussion of ideas how to increase membership of younger people.

**Education:** Elizabeth will contact Discovery Cove regarding a series of opera lectures next year. Jeanne to send Elizabeth a list of the MOG members who live at Westminster.

Someone is to call marketing and ask if they want to give a short presentation.

Elizabeth will get together with Jean Roberts regarding the relationship between MOG and Westminster.

**Publicity:** Publicity discussion was mostly about MPAC and Stars of Tomorrow.

**Hospitality:** Singers will be at 10:30.

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**Event chair reports:**

**Stars of Tomorrow:** Marco and Rich are working out the details.

**Fashion Show:** Invitations are ready to go out this week. Contributions to the raffle basket:

Syble will get opera tickets and Two wine glasses and a bottle of prosecco

Linda will get Carmen cups. Please bring your contributions to next meeting.

**Sweetheart Luncheon:** Centerpieces

**Other**

**Adjourn:** Jeanne adjourned the meeting at 11:20 am.

Recorded by Angela Korsmo