Manatee Opera Guild Board of Directors October 10, 2023 Angela Korsmo's Home Minutes of the meeting

Present: President Jeanne Yeagle, Elizabeth Aversa, Cathy Knoble, Rich DeGennaro, Linda Buchhart,

Syble DiGirolamo, Maryanne Hazen, Angela Korsmo

Attending by phone: Brenda Ianiro

Call to order: Jeanne called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m. A quorum is present.

Secretary's report: Syble moved and Elizabeth seconded to approve the minutes as distributed. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer's report: Maryanne reported September income at \$11,865. Expenses were \$5,617. The Merrill Lynch balance was reported at \$17,745.

Motion to donate: Maryanne moved to donate \$6,500 to the SOA. Rich seconded and it unanimously was passed. With the already donated \$3,500, that makes a combined sum of \$10,000, with a yearly amount of \$15,000.

Maryanne asked for a volunteer to be a trusted person to oversee the activity of the finances. Jeanne offered to be that person.

Membership report: Jeanne reported that there are now 64 members, an increase from 48 last month.

Tribute chair: Linda raised the question of a minimum amount for each tribute. Discussion of various amounts and the agreed minimum amount is \$10, but with encouragement to be generous.

Hospitality chair: Cathy reported that the agreed-on lunch amount is \$35 for the general membership meetings.

On Stage concert and other information: Syble reports that the arrangements for the October 25 concert are in place and going smoothly. Details were discussed regarding food for the before and after reception.

Stars of Tomorrow: Richard spoke with Stephen Baker regarding boosting attendance. Discussion of publicity and marketing ideas. Jeanne to send Rich lists of church choir directors and communities' activity directors for assisted living facilities.

New business: Maryanne asked about the brochure. Jean has made edits and will send Maryanne a revised copy to be edited and printed.

Jeanne adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

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