

THE VILLAGES MUSIC SOCIETY, INC.  
Monthly Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday, May 10, 2022  
Villages Golf and Country Club, Cribari Patio Room 5:00 p.m.  
San Jose, CA 95135

Pam called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Board members present: Pamela Pierson, president; Roberta Wolfe, secretary; Vic Clifford; Eric Pierson, treasurer; Janis Hubbs; Bonnie Preston; Linda Rollo; Susan Ahlgrimm. Absent: Estelle Kabbani; Earl Levin; Kathi Levin; Gary Hill, vice president. Others present: Larry Broderick, Piano Open Studio; Mary Stradner, Opera Lovers

### **Minutes**

The April 12 minutes were approved.

### **Treasurer Report**

Eric presented the VMS Concerts FY 2022 report and the VMS Financial Report FY 2022.

### **Vice President's Scheduling Review**

Gary reported via email as follows: The Voices are off from May 18 until September 7. 2) June 4 and 11 are ticket sales for the Daddios. 3) The Daddios concert is June 15 at 7:30 pm. Pam said she has been working with Gary and will be taking over room reservations for all VMS groups.

### **Reports**

**Concert Series:** Vic is waiting for insurance to be finalized for the Daddios concert. The Daddios are a local professional jazz group who have been here twice before.

### **Corporate Business**

**The Village Dancers:** Pam advocated that the VMS make the Village Dancers, under the direction of Bernice Toy, a dance club within the Villages Music Society. The action would bring Bernice's expertise and skills as a dancer/choreographer to the VMS.

(Pam asked that the following paragraph be included in the minutes for historical reasons.) Both the VMS Articles of Incorporation and its vision statement in the Bylaws state our purpose as providing quality music performances, programs, and activities to enrich the lives of Villagers. This month Mary Tatum of Community Activities supported the inclusion of a dance club within

VMS as described in the next statement. The Village Dancers Club, a part of VMS, operates according to these guidelines:

- The Village Dancers offer opportunities to practice dancing skills and performing.
- The director/choreographer is a volunteer who carries liability insurance.
- No dues are charged for joining the dance club, which is not a class.
- Club members support VMS activities to bring quality music experiences to the Villages.

Susan moved and Linda seconded that we invite the Dancing Queens to be a VMS club. The motion carried.

**Rules Violation regarding treatment of VGCC staff:** Pam reported that a VMS rules violation about rude and disrespectful treatment of Villages staff occurred in May. The first violation was last fall. She spoke to individuals involved and felt that the issue has been resolved. If a third violation occurs, VGCC will take punitive action against VMS.

## **Entity Reports**

**Village Voices:** Susan said when the group began rehearsing for the concert, there were 12 members, but membership was up to 25 by the times of the concerts. Janis reported on the Voices “Why We Sing” concert on the May 7 and 8 weekend: \$3750 ticket sales; \$1231 raffle; \$200 donations. They are working with the Veterans Club on performing a Veterans Day concert. The Christmas concert will be the first weekend in December. Wednesday is the end of season party and general meeting.

**Harp Connection:** Linda said they are on the schedule for a concert the weekend before Thanksgiving.

**Piano Open Studio:** Larry reported on the May 1 concert and the special duet that he and Tom Stocky played as an encore. He said \$215 was donated at their concert.

**Concert Band:** Vic said he is spending a lot of time looking for a conductor, but had had no success to date. Vic talked about a recruiting website, but said the cost was \$300. Pam suggested that they might want to consider using the site.

**Opera Lovers:** Bonnie introduced Mary Stradner, treasurer of the Opera Lovers. She then reported on the recent event held in collaboration with the Senior Academy and featuring Opera San Jose. A total of 140 tickets were sold for the event.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Submitted by Roberta Wolfe, secretary