

GP NATS Minutes: October 26, 2014

The GP NATS Planning Committee met on October 26, 2014 at the home of Marcus DeLoach. Present members included Kim Robson, Angie Feliciano, Kate Mallon-Day, Nancy Jantsch, as well as Marcus DeLoach.

Minutes for our last meeting were approved. PNC balance presently \$125.00.

Nancy Jantsch reported on the response from the membership mailing. A membership letter was emailed to all NATS members in Delaware, Bucks, Philadelphia, Montgomery, and Chester counties. The membership list has been updated on the google spreadsheet. Angie and Nancy set up PayPal for the website donation button. This can be later used for collection of other fees.

Communications from members were reported in response to the mailing:

- Robert Sataloff – wished us well and offered help from himself or his colleagues at the Voice Foundation
- Delores Ferraro – wants to know the February date, and will send her dues payment to the National office
- Patricia Vigil – wanted to know if her student who is 24 years old BM but not Masters is eligible for auditions? I replied that we will be using the National rules, but that we would reply when we get into the details of our auditions.
- Susan Rheingans – is also in NJ NATS and cautioned us that NJ NATS has a High School competition on the last weekend of October, the Doris Lentz Competition, this year 1/11/14. We will want to be aware of this for next year. Since our competition will be on Sunday, I don't think this will be a problem.
- Doris Schmauk – sent her congratulations, and said she plans to send \$25 for support.
- Carol Gutkneck – sent a donation of \$25 in show of support. She might be someone that we could keep in mind as a master class teacher. She sent her professional folio with her check.
- Susan Weinman – showed interest at the Philadelphia Singers gathering. She is a prominent Philadelphia professional singer. I have added her name to our list even though she is not a member of NATS. She offered her Facebook links, Philly Classical Singer Gig List and Philly Classical Singer Concert. Other links that might interest our membership are Yaptracker, privatelessons.com, Classical Singer, Voice and Swallowing Center (an offshoot of the Voice Foundation with Dr. Spiegel and Dr. Boon)
- Betsy Cullen contacted us about the Chester County Choral Society competition for High School seniors attending school or studying voice in Chester County on Saturday, February 7th at 9am in Paoli. I helped her to expand her mailing list with Chester County NATS members, and offered to post her competition on our website.

Angie reported that she is continuing to work on the website. She asked that we submit our documents to her so that she can post them. Marcus is working on a logo for the website, and is gathering the history of our chapter to post on the website.

Kate reported on the availability of the rental space at the Settlement Music School for the Audition Workshop in February 2015 and the GP NATS Auditions in November 2015. Kris Rudzinski, MLC Branch Director of the Settlement Music School at 416 Queen St., Philadelphia, PA offered the following quotes:

- Field Hall is utilized until 4:30 on Saturday afternoons for Orchestra rehearsals, so to allow for time to flip the hall to start time for the rental would have to start at 5pm instead of 4pm.
- Presser would be available by 4pm, but not Field. Cost for a 2 or 3 hour rental would be \$200
- Saturdays in February that both halls are available during that time are February 7/14/and 28. We agreed that February 28th - Presser 4-7pm would be the best. Kate will confirm this.
- Sunday, November 1, 2015 for the all-day rental, the cost would be \$660.00.

Next meeting will be at Kate Mallon-Day's home in Paoli on Sunday Nov. 30th at 3:30. We will focus on the Auditions workshop in February 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Jantsch

Acting GP NATS Secretary-Treasurer