

ABBA Board Meeting
23 September 2017, after rehearsal
Mandarin Buffet, Coon Rapids

present: Jerry, Lori, Donna, Mike, Chris

1. The Board reviewed an articulation of our "Founders' Intentions" from Chris' notes taken of a meeting and conversations with David & Gordy. The Board noted a bullet-point on players' responsibilities may also merit inclusion.
2. With David no longer available in that role, Eric is the new section leader for the baritones & euphoniums.
3. The Board agreed with the Steering Committee's decision to aim publicity toward email rather than USPS mailings. The Board noted that some among the older population might not be as tech-savvy and therefore might prefer/need to receive USPS mailings.
4. The Board was updated on Brett & Maria developing the official LWBB Facebook page. Donna will contact Ric's family in pursuit of deleting the old/inactive page, in case Ric was the one who created it.
5. Joanie Olson has agreed to serve on the Advisory Board.
6. Jerry presented the preliminary 2017-18 budget.
 - Chris updated the Board on revenue figures for two of this year's concerts.
 - Mike and Dave Trapp will explore purchase options on a new copier for the library.
 - The idea of purchasing new chimes remains an interest but may need to wait for next year.
 - The budget includes current approximations of costs for March's CD recording project.
7. The Board talked about publishing some of "our" pieces under an "LWBB Series" billing. Kirklees' interest remains in some of Mike's pieces. More recently, Jack Stamp brought up a friend's publishing company as a possible outlet.
8. With the next England trip possibly being as soon as 2019, Mike asked about Board members' experiences and perspectives on the recent and previous MRBB concert tours to Europe.
9. Mike shared Jack's idea of possibly changing the focus of the upcoming CD project to be — or at least include — some of the music we're playing for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The CD Committee will be meeting soon and will discuss the idea.

Respectfully,
Chris