

**the Illinois District**  
association of Chapters / Barbershop Harmony Society



*a state of close harmony*

Fall 2018 House of Delegates Meeting

5-Oct-2018 12:00PM

## **Illinois District Association of Chapters, SPEBSQSA Inc.**

### **House of Delegates**

Fall 2018

Mission Statement – *The Illinois District fosters a state of close harmony by bringing the joy and excitement of music to all people.*

Vision Statement – *To keep men of all ages singing throughout their lives.*

**Location:** Marriott Hotel (Beaufort Room) – Normal, IL

**Time:** 1:00 PM

**Called to order:** 1:06 PM

### **Call to Order**

1. Opening songs
  - *The Star Spangled Banner* – Bob Cearnal, Director
  - *The Old Songs* – Terry Ludwig, Director
2. Roll Call / House of Delegates quorum – yes or no – Mike Isely
  - 27 members present, out of a potential total of 46.
  - Quorum minimum requirement of 30% (= 14). With 27 present we have 59%, quorum established.
  - [See Appendix titled “Attendance” for detailed attendance record]
3. Reading of Mission Statement – Brett Mulford
4. Approve Agenda – Jim Waldorf
  - **Motion: Approve Agenda**
    - ♦ **Offered by: Mike Isely, Seconded: Tom DeBord**
    - ♦ **PASSED (unanimous voice vote)**
5. Minutes of previous HOD Meeting – Mike Isely
  - Adjustments:
    - ♦ Fix dues quoted amount (should be \$45)



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→ **Motion:**

- ♦ **Subject: Approve Spring 2018 HOD Minutes**
- ♦ **Offered by: Jeff Bowyer, Seconded: Bob Cearnal**
- ♦ **PASSED (unanimous voice vote)**

6. Approve Consent Calendar – Jim Waldorf

→ **Motion:**

- ♦ **Subject: Accept Consent Calender, with adjustments:**
  - **Pull: (see handwritten X's)**
- ♦ **Offered by: Terry Ludwig, Seconded: Earl Holtz**
- ♦ **PASSED (unanimous voice vote)**

→ The following reports are therefore accepted without further discussion:

- ♦ Music & Performance – Terry Ludwig / Tim Pashon
  - [Attachment: “01a-Report-Music\_and\_Performance.pdf”]
- ♦ Contest & Judging – Don Leonard
  - [Attachment: “02a-Report-Contest\_and\_Judging.pdf”]
- ♦ Chapter Support and Leadership Training – Bill Miller
  - [Attachment: “03a-Report-CSLT.pdf”]
- ♦ IDEA – Bob Cearnal
  - [Attachment: “04a-Report-IDEA.pdf”]

7. Treasurer's Report – Jim Wagner

→ “Jim is smiling”

- ♦ “We are in fairly good financial status right now”

→ [Attachment: “05a-Report-Treasurer.pdf”]

→ **Motion**

- ♦ **Subject: Receive Treasurer's Report**
- ♦ **Offered by: Jeff Bowyer, Seconded: Rich Hansen**
- ♦ **PASSED (unanimous voice vote)**

## OLD BUSINESS

8. Future Convention Updates – Jeff Bowyer

→ We will be moving the hotel next year (2019): DoubleTree

→ Can actually have hospitality rooms again



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- 1 suite for judges, 4 for chapters to reserve
  - They were willing and negotiated well
  - Room rate will be \$109, including full hot breakfast and free wifi everywhere
  - New contest venue possible for 2019, still being worked on
9. Contest & Judging – Don Leonard
- [Attachment: “06a-Report-Contest\_and\_Judging\_update.pdf”]
  - For 2019, date overlapped Sweet Adelines, 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of September
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend for 2020, 2021, 2022
  - With the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend choice, the pool of judges is larger since there are fewer conventions overlapping.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend seems to work better for hotel negotiations as well
  - Youth Contest this year being held this fall because there was nothing in the Spring
  - Being put before quartet finals in order to work out student schedules a little better
  - Society is re-jiggering boys / girls high school quartets / choruses – still being worked and has awards impact
10. District Website Update – Jim Waldorf
- New site is about ready, Mike Isely to review it ASAP
11. Raffle Update – Jim Waldorf
- Still tabulating receipts – got a bunch more today
  - Up-take has not been terrific (“That didn’t work so well”)
    - ♦ before today 618 out of 2000 tickets sold
    - ♦ updated numbers coming from Jim Waldorf
12. Music & Performance – Terry Ludwig
- We are having IDAH 2019 (that is the plan...)
    - ♦ Guest Quartet – After Hours
    - ♦ Will be in Sterling ILL, Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, a single day
    - ♦ Only taking 8 quartets, \$250
    - ♦ Individual registrations, \$50
  - IDAH Didn’t happen in 2018 because there were only 4 quartets and 8 individuals registered.
    - ♦ It would have been too expensive...
  - Working on an ILL District Mixed Chorus



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- District leaders need to be proactive to bring events / information back to the chapters
  - ♦ Expression of surprise about hearing there is a senior chorus when in fact a prior e-mail (last year) announced it being canceled; complaint about lack of communication

13. Historical – Bob Squires

- nothing

14. Awards – Mike Bagby

- nothing

15. IDEA – Bob Cearnal

- Defer to Earl Meseth
  - ♦ Pass The Can

## NEW BUSINESS

16. Election of Officers

### **Slate of Candidates for the ILL District** **Governor's Board of Directors**

<b><u>Role</u></b>	<b><u>Candidate</u></b>
President	Brett Mulford
Executive VP	Jeff Lathom
Immediate Past President	Jim Waldorf
Treasurer	Jim Wagner
Secretary	Mike Isely
BMAL/Events VP	Jeff Bowyer
BMAL/C&J VP	Don Leonard
BMAL/Membership VP	Jeff McMorris
BMAL	Terry Ludwig

- Brief synopsis of new candidates for 2019
  - ♦ Jeff Lathom, QCA member, served on Sunshine District Board
  - ♦ Jeff McMorris, Danville chapter – Rich Hansen has been working on increasing Danville's membership / involvement – 48 members now (!! ) Jeff gets a lot of credit for boosting the Danville chapter



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→ **Motion:**

- ♦ **Subject: to accept slate of officers for Gov Board**
  - **Mover: Tom DeBord, Seconded: Bagby**
- ♦ **PASSED (unanimous)**

17. CSLT – Bill Miller

- The 2018 CSLT summit was canceled for lack of participation
- LOL staged a wonderful CSLT session coincident with when ours would have been. Bill visited it.

18. 2019 Budget

- (See budget proposal in Treasurer's Report)
- **Motion:**
  - ♦ **Subject: To accept ILL District budget for 2019, as laid out in the HOD packet**
  - ♦ **Made by: Mike Bagby**
  - ♦ **Seconded: Don Smit**
  - ♦ **PASSED (unanimous)**

19. IDEA Trustee Appointment

- Currently we have 4 trustees (Squires, Meseth, Cearnal, Holtz)
- Rich Hansen to be appointed
- **Motion:**
  - ♦ **Subject: Approve Rich Hansen as trustee for IDEA**
  - ♦ **Bob Cearnal**
  - ♦ **Mike Kaas**
  - ♦ **PASSED (unanimous)**

20. Spring 2019 HOD Date

- 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> weekend in March
- Probably provide food again
- This must follow the District Board meeting, which itself is planned to happen at IDAH

21. Harmony Foundation – Perry White

- General remarks
- Handing out of HF checks
  - ♦ District, \$709.31
  - ♦ Arlington Heights, \$735.50

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- ♦ Aurora, \$207.00
- ♦ Belleville, \$159.00
- ♦ Bloomington, \$880.94
- ♦ Northbrook, \$320.50
- ♦ Danville, \$30.00
- ♦ Coles County, \$975.00
- ♦ Lake County, \$114.00
- ♦ Chicagoland West Suburban, \$1422.00
- ♦ Rockford, \$114.00
- ♦ Rock Island, 477.25
- ♦ Sterling Rock Falls, \$105.00
- ♦ Springfield, \$60.00

22. BHS Representatives – Holly Kellar, with John Donehower

→ General remarks

→ Gender issues

- ♦ Society is moving towards an inclusive policy.
- ♦ But it is ultimately up to the chapter for how it wants to move forward
  - The society will stand in defense of any chapter, regardless of their choice
- ♦ Note that at the moment women can only join the Society, not the district or any chapter
  - However this is being worked on. Expectation is that mixed membership will ultimately be available at all levels. There's 100 pages of bylaws being reworked right now...

23. Memorial to Deceased Members – Bob Squires

→ [See Appendix to these Minutes]

Closing Song “Keep The Whole World Singing” – Rich Hansen, Director

**Adjourned:** 3:13 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Isely – Secretary



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**Appendix: Attendance**

Chapter Delegates			
Present	Name	ID	Chapter Name
	Terry Franzen	E-002	Arlington Heights
P	Donald Smit	E-003	Aurora
P	James Morgan	E-005	Belleville
P	Tom De Bord	E-007	Bloomington
	Craig Rigg	E-008	Macomb
P	Earl Holtz	E-009	Northbrook
		E-010	Champaign Urbana
P	Jeff McMorris	E-013	Danville
P	James Barr	E-014	Decatur
	Bruce Condill	E-017	Coles County
P	Bill Miller	E-018	Elgin
	David Mouri	E-019	Rockford Metro
	Tom Toftey	E-021	Lake County
		E-024	Bureau County
P	Ron Welch	E-030	Chicagoland West Suburban
P	Harold Harness	E-044	Peoria
	Andre Gloeckner	E-045	Chicago Metro
	Barton Macomber	E-047	Rockford
P	Michael Kaas	E-048	Rock Island
	Allen Munneke	E-050	Will-Cook
	Kevin O'Keefe	E-052	Sterling Rock Falls
	Richard Biby	E-054	Waterloo
P	Patrick Claussen	E-061	Springfield
P	James Fourmont	E-066	DuPage Valley
	Edward Cheek	E-067	Kishwaukee Valley
	Neth Hass	E-075	Carbondale
	Bruce Richardson	E-077	Kankakee

12 out of 27



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Governance Board		
Present	Name	Role
P	Jim Waldorf	President
P	Brett Mulford	Executive VP
P	Mike Isely	Secretary
P	Jim Wagner	Treasurer
P	Pat Claussen	BMAL (Membership)
	Will Thorndike	BMAL (Events)
P	Don Leonard	BMAL (C & J)
P	Terry Ludwig	BMAL
P	Richard Hansen	Imm. Past President

8 out of 9

Active Past Presidents (not on Gov. Board)	
Present	Name
P	Jeff Bowyer
P	Mike Bagby
P	Dave Cowin
P	Bob Cearnal
P	Earl Meseth
P	Bob Squires
P	Joe Sullivan
	Jim Vliet
	Syl Wetle
	Wayne Wright

7 out of 10

$8+7+12 = 27$  present

$9+10+27 = 46$  total possible





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**Appendix: Chapter Eternal**

[Conducted by Bob Squires]

**Memorial Service For Deceased Members**

May we have a moment of silence, please.

*Heavenly Father we come together in your presence today to honor and recognize our brother barbershoppers who have passed on during this past year. Those men include:*

<b><u>Chapter Eternal 2017</u></b>	
<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Chapter</u></b>
Hank Buerger	Arlington Heights and Chicago Metro
George Collar	Will-Cook and Chicagoland West Suburban
Don Elward	Bloomington
Henry "Hank" King	Will-Cook
Ben Mohrman	Rockford
Jack Musich	Arlington Heights
Randy Rogers	Lake County
William Smith	Rockford
Geoffrey Sojostrom	Arlington Heights
Rock Steingrubey	Waterloo
Paris Sullivan	Peoria
William Woodward	Bureau Country and Sterling-Rock Falls

*Father we thank you for your gift of music and song so our hearts can be lifted up to you. We thank you for these ties that bind us together with the old songs and fellowship. We give thanks to You for these Departed men who have enriched our lives and who have left us all with a a song in our hearts.*

*Amen.*