

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR NSAA BUSINESS MEETING

Adapted from ARTICLE XI

Meeting Date: January 6, 2021 @ 10:04 a.m.

Location: Meeting held via Zoom

Although this was formally an Officer's meeting, the State VP's and Veteran's Chorus President were invited to attend.

1. **Roll call of Officers by the Recording Secretary** showed the following members were present: Paul Larson, Rich BJORLO, Jim Slostad, David Judisch, Roger Buhr, and Rich Leake. Absent: Don Berg, Thor Fjell and Gary Hendrickson. Also attending were Frank Potempa, Jon Lewis, Herb Nelson.
2. **Minutes** of the NSAA Board meetings on July 31, 2020 (not published in *Sanger-Hilsen* yet) were approved as attached to the agenda.
3. **Director-in-Chief report [Judisch]:** Still need to select an Assistant Director. Should be someone with Sangerfest experience. Repertoire will be selected in fall 2021 for Sangerfest 2022. Proposed schedule to be discussed in this meeting looks doable, and may save a night of housing.
4. **President's report [Larson]:** Disbanding of two choruses has occurred due to several factors. And yet the reasons for continued existence for all choruses still exist. At the same time change will need continued discussion. Floor turned over to Jon Lewis for an update on Assistant Director selection.
5. **Treasurer's report [BJORLO]:** Brief report indicating NSAA continues in stable financial position. As of December 31, 2020, with Cash Balance = \$30218.78. Revenue = \$1790, Expenses = \$3229.58, Net Loss = \$1439.58. Some discussion about collecting dues for the current year. Larson and BJORLO will meet to discuss the current situation recognizing the NSAA and Sanger-Hilsen dues are nominal, and should be assessed in order to maintain continuity.
6. **Corresponding Secretary / Sanger-Hilsen Editor's report:** Discussion of future *Sanger-Hilsen* issues and Editor position. Motion to approve Dennis Barnaal assuming Acting Editor position, including honorarium, for *Sanger-Hilsen*. Seconded and Passed. This motion does not include the duties of Corresponding Secretary.
7. **Other reports -- none received**
8. **Unfinished Business**
 - a. **Update for Sangerfest 2022 plans**

Review of the Sangerfest 2022 plans to be sponsored by the Madison Grieg Chorus. The Madison West Marriott Hotel in Middleton has been reserved for June 16-18, 2022. All the official activities will be held in the hotel so it should be convenient for those with mobility

problems. The Grieg Chorus is planning on a more abbreviated Sangerfest as can be seen with the attached proposed schedule. The proposed venue should result in reduced costs for housing, parking, rehearsal and performance space. The Madison Grieg Chorus is requesting approval of the proposed schedule. Motion to Approve proposed schedule with modifications as needed. Second and passed. There were many favorable comments and the Officer's recognized the efforts of the Madison chorus. Mange takk!

9. **New Business**

a. **Disbanded Choruses – Sangerfest Implications**

- Determine whether members of disbanded choruses that should have received medals at Sangerfest 2020 be invited to Sangerfest 2022 for award presentation, and inviting them to sing in the Veteran Chorus.
- Determine whether members of disbanded choruses be invited to Sangerfest 2022, and inviting them to sing in the Veteran Chorus.
- Determine whether members of disbanded choruses be invited to Sangerfest 2022, and if prepared, inviting them to sing in the Grand Concert.

The NSAA Constitution and ByLaws provides opportunity for members to be considered eligible for Sangerfest if dues are paid and they are in attendance.

Members wishing to participate should correspond directly with NSAA.

Normennenes will happily accept any interested participants from the Chicago area.

- b. **Review any applications for hosting Sangerfest 2024.** There was general discussion about the challenges involved in planning and hosting a Sangerfest. Not having a host chorus is difficult. Potential future sites were briefly discussed.
- c. **Consider possible future applications for new chorus memberships in the NSAA.** There may be a possibility for adding another chorus in the near future, and there may be others interested or forming choruses in other areas.
- d. **Open positions:** Continued discussion for an Acting Corresponding Secretary position. Bjorlo will investigate duties currently performed. Recordkeeping for medals would be an example. Additional discussion about Assistant Director position. Four individuals have expressed an interest in the Assistant Director position. Suggestion for potential future business item -- address meaning of "singer" with respect to being a director. Will meet again early spring to discuss and resolve these positions.
- e. **Consensus agreement to set the next meeting for Feb 17, 2021 at 10:00am.**

10. **Adjourned at 12:30pm. MSP.**

Respectfully submitted by Richard Leake, Recording Secretary