**KELSBOROW CHOIR COMMITTEE MEETING**

**on Thursday 27th September 2018 at 33, Peel Hall Lane, Ashton Hayes**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Elaine Campey (Chair), Jim Edwards, Maddy Swan-Manning, Christine Tickell, Margrett Barnes, Veronica Barnett, Heather Oulton, Mary Stubbington, Alan Burgess, Irene Wilkinson.

1. **Apologies:** Margaret Corlett, Barry Lockwood, Malen Johnson, Isabelle Hughes.
2. **Minutes:** Heather pointed out that at the meeting on the 28th June, the membership of Margaret Hosker and Janis March had been approved, yet this fact was missing from the minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 28th June 2018 were approved and signed,
3. **Matters arising:** 
   1. **Defibrillator.** It was noted that our application for funding to the Earl of Chester’s fund was awaiting a decision by that body.
   2. **First Aid.** The first aid kit has been purchased and awaits a hook in the storage cupboard upon which to hang it **|AP01JDE|.**
   3. **Welcome Pack.** Veronica and Mary reported that they had completed their review of the document pack and the meeting concluded that it needs the following revisions –
      1. There are changes needed to the title page and letter from the Secretary.
      2. Remove the Chairman’s annual report.
      3. The letter from the Chairman should be revised to reflect the following –
         1. Take out the statement on uniform – a comment here on consulting the wardrobe mistress would be more appropriate.
         2. Christmas music.
         3. Deportment.
         4. Lottery.
      4. Jim agreed to undertake the required editing following which Choir members would be asked to return their existing copies and new versions provided to all members.
4. **Correspondence**:
   1. A letter had been received from Ann Wood advising that she was resigning from the Choir.
5. **Treasurer’s Report**: Heather presented the accounts for discussion.
   1. It was noted that figures of £360.00 and £210.00 for the Accompanist’s and MD’s expenses respectively were the wrong way round.
6. **Social Group:** Mary provided a brief summary of the Social committee activities-
   1. The lunch had been a very successful event – there were some catering issues as the Chef had walked out the day before, but the general feedback was good.
   2. The next SC meeting was scheduled for 29th October.
7. **Publicity:** There wasn’t a discussion on publicity.
8. **Future Concerts:**
   1. There is a possibility of a return to Barrow Church in the summer term of 2019 for a concert with local schoolchildren.
   2. Discussions are taking place with the vicar of Christleton Church on the possibility of a concert there in 2019. Margrett asked if it were possible to repeat the Easter Work? Elaine pointed out that Margaret has reservations regarding that particular piece so it was unlikely.
   3. There are early plans for a concert in Kelsall in early 2019 to raise funds for the Kelsall Wellbeing Hub – a new social centre/building in Kelsall. Possibly a joint concert with other local choirs.
   4. A number of engagements are being sought/are already in place for December. Jim agreed to circulate details to Choir as these firmed up.
9. **Any Other Business:** 
   1. **Music.** Maddy and Margrett asked if they could buy new music folders? Elaine confirmed that they could. On the subject of the library it was agreed that Maddy and Margrett need to spend too much time sorting out the music, and are clearly missing out on their own rehearsal time. Despite much discussion no clear conclusion was reached on the way forward with this item.
   2. **Uniform.** Margrett observed that we had looked a bit drab at Barrow. The meeting agreed that the uniform needs a colour to break it up – although that could be in the form of a brooch, necklace, flower (provided it was turquoise). Men to return to the turquoise tie.
   3. **Website.** Veronica stated that the web-site looks in need of a refresh/update. Alan agreed to get a quote for an update. **|AP02AB|.**
   4. **Replacement co-opted member**. The meeting recognised that with the loss of Joan Pidgeon, we have a vacancy on the Committee. After some consideration it was agreed that an approach be made to Sue Witter to see if she is prepared to join the Committee as a co-opted member. **|AP03JDE|.**

The next meeting would be held at Elaine’s house on Thursday 8th November

2018 at 7:30.