

Bingham and District Choral Society

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 15TH OCTOBER 2019

Present: Richard Joyner (Chair), Sally Ashton (Vice-Chair), Brad Poulson (Treasurer), Valerie Morgan (Secretary), Peter Iley (Programme Chair), Janet Chapman (Membership Secretary), Margot Anderson (Librarian), Tim Connery (Box Office), Beryl Cottrill, Juliet Ward (Ordinary Members).

Apologies: John Bannister (Fundraising), Judy Unell (Publicity), Tina Warrington (Ordinary Member).

0. Approval of Agenda

This was agreed.

1. Minutes of meeting 9th September 2019

There were no amendments. They were accepted as a true record. Proposed Brad, seconded Margot.

2. Matters Arising

Chair: Page 1, 2b, 5 – *discussion re ladies' summer dress code* to be postponed to a future meeting.

Page 1, 2b, 13 – *Suggestion Box*: Beryl organising.

Page 3, 9 – *Looking for new venues* – This is ongoing.

There were no other Matters Arising.

3. Treasurer

1) Membership is now up to 79.

2) Following the death of Pam Brooks, **Huw Cadwallader** has agreed to become our Examiner. This will have to be agreed by an EGM of members.

3) There are £60 worth of donations to Nottingham Youth Orchestra. Juliet will give Brad the address to send them.

4. Ed & Em Concert

This was an enjoyable evening, and financially successful. Ed and Em received £400 each, and BDCS's profit was £414 (Total receipts £1329, Expenditure £915).

5. Forthcoming Concerts

1) Autumn 2019: John Co-ordinator.

He has been in touch with Newark Church. He needs to get permission to raise the bollards at entry for the removal men with the staging.

There was some discussion about whether the orchestra was to receive refreshments at the afternoon rehearsal or in the performance.

ACTION: Richard to discuss orchestra arrangements with John.

Tickets to go on sale tomorrow.

ACTION: Tim

2) Christmas 2019: Tina Co-ordinator

Carnarvon School already has 80 tickets (£5 for one parent of singing child, £1 for accompanying child). Other tickets raised to £10.

Colin Smith and Bingham Brass have been asked and "it's on his calendar".

Church and Church House booked.

ACTION: Tina

3) Spring 2010: Mansfield's concert.

Peter has been in touch with Erica, and they will have a meeting towards the end of the year.

Can we confirm the edition of the Brahms? This is likely to be the Peters edition.

ACTION: Margot to confirm with Mansfield

4) Summer Concert: Brad Co-ordinator

Programme likely to include some choruses from B Minor Mass.

6. Planning for Forthcoming Concerts

1) November 2020: Bach B Minor Mass with Southwell Choral Society.

Guy has spoken to Nick Thorpe. Music likely to be the old Novello edition.

ACTION: Valerie to write to Southwell Secretary to clarify the situation re seating, as well as to ask ticket prices

For the two soprano parts, Southwell will be doing one part, and BDCS the other. Guy has written to Nick – no reply as yet.

2) Christmas 2020: There are only three weeks between the B Minor concert and the Christmas one – maybe do some carols before the November concert, or do carols already known to choir.

3) April 24th 2021: Probably Chichester Psalms and Rutter Requiem. Venue still to be decided. Guy says that according to Paul Hale, the organ at Bottesford Church is good.

4) July 2021: No plans as yet.

5) November 27th 2021. Proms-type concert. Southwell Minster is booked, also the Nottingham Symphony Orchestra.

6) Christmas 2021. No plans yet.

7) April 2022: Messiah with Newark CS at St Mary Magdalene.

8) July 2022: Maybe do something with Scunthorpe. Juliet has been in touch with Sue Hollingworth (Scunthorpe MD), who seemed interested.

7. Bursary and Prize

Beryl – No applicants as yet.

8. Young Composer Competition

Idea from Guy – see attached proposal. This was discussed. Guy is happy to do all the administration of this.

Costs would be mainly for judges and publicity, plus printing/copying costs. Richard says he will find sponsorship for the prize (£500 suggested).

Following discussion, this was agreed unanimously.

ACTION: Guy

9. Forthcoming Events

1) Singing Day 29th February 2020

Sally Co-ordinator.

This will be led by Guy, with choruses from Elijah. Guy is happy with this. There will be no performance at the end.

Margot has ordered 120 copies of Elijah. To be advertised as soon as possible.

Not yet known who will accompany, or whether piano or organ – Guy to find someone.

Valerie has heard back from Sally Williams at Radcliffe Church, who said that we could hold it there, but querying whether, from a PRS point of view, it would be a public performance of music.

After discussion of other possible venues, it was agreed to approach Bingham Church.

Cost £20, to include tea and coffee – bring own lunch. **Derek Tabron** to be asked to do admin., ticketing, flyers. **Judy** to advertise in local publications and on website.

ACTION: Valerie to approach Bingham Church, and write to Sally Williams once Bingham is confirmed.

Judy to write to local publications.

Sally to co-ordinate and approach Derek.

2) Wine-Tasting 28th March 2020 at WI Hut

Sally Co-ordinator

£12.50 price agreed to include supper.

10. Other Matters

None.

11. Correspondence

None

12. DONM

Tuesday 19th November 2019

Brad and Adele were thanked for their hospitality. The meeting ended at 8.38 pm.