

## Board Members

Would like to begin the report with the sincerest of apologies for my behavior at the Ghouls Fundraiser. I was not in the best head space and in the middle of my stressful work week. I simply did not communicate effectively. I completed the task of getting food ready only after I got turned down by restaurants for donations. So the food was cheap and quick to prepare and serve. That was my only goal as directed by Jeffrey and my schedule limitations. It's my understanding that Allen helped with all of the clean up of the food, as I had asked him to do. But this is in the past, let's look to the future and have better communication across the board. Eddie can attest to how awful I am to get a hold of when I am working and for me it has to be planned ahead. My plan A did not work and I had to go with plan B. I look forward to crunching the numbers and setting goals for the February event.

The following weekend yet another breakdown in communication occurred. Everyone's opinions have been well expressed about the plane ticket and I will not beat a dead horse. Moving on to the expense, food We have two giant fruit trays and two meat and cheese trays. Cole had communicated with me that he had made some homemade cookies and that they were getting subway before the workshop. I said perfect, we have fruit and water and will eat afterwards. I have no idea what receipts will be turned in but all that was approved was some fruit and water. Hopefully that fruit did not get wasted, we did not even open a second tray. We cannot afford to be wasteful with money. Simple communication would have fixed the huge problem I am seeing. Our money is much better spent on talented GALA directors like Jimmy and Dan to accompany. It was a wonderful event and I am much looking forward to their concert with us. I know I am pleased with the relationships built from the workshop.

The lgbt chamber mixer was Wednesday night and I lpassed out more posters to spread the word about the concert. About a dozen posters were given to local businesses.

After being recently asked what my plan is for "40 in 4"; this needs to be the central focus of our recruiting plan: have an amazing show. I want to explore the option of a meet and greet after every performance. I know the churches organize most of that for us as far as refreshments go, I just want us to be as organized. The key featured players need to be our four new members, Kyle, Michael, Vince and Allan. Let their stories do some recruiting for us.

Next item, raffle baskets. What are we doing this year without the help of John? I would like to see what we can pull together from local businesses for a silent auction. I will look at the numbers from past treasurer reports to see what kind of money we made last year before Sunday's meeting.

Farm show is coming up for November 19. Bob and I are both ready to be running our individual booths and have some healthy competition. This should really bring a lot of money in for the chorus and we only need two spots filled! My biggest fear for the farm show has been to have it staffed. I am pleased with the progress so far.

Old items that need discussed at this meeting:

Tom Lynes as the new member at large  
An agenda for the "winter retreat" as well as a date and time.  
Further organizing a grant committee  
Organizing front of house for concerts  
Pride Beer and Wine garden committee

New items as suggested by Doug:

Proofing of concert program

- Website transition to Groupanizer (board vote required because of transitional cost overlap and price increase)
- IT Asset connectivity
- New chorus email accounts
- Engagement of a professional photographer for 30th season group portrait (promotional purposes).

Thanx for all of your hard work this last month and I will see you Sunday at 6:00

Aaron Menzer