**Kaleidoscope – Minutes of Committee Meeting 11th April 2024**

Present: Rupert Feld, Anne Mapley, Josie Wilson, Sandra Derrick, Lynne Walsh, Cheryl Guest,

Catherine Docherty, Yvonne Ward

1. **Members**

We extend a warm welcome to Kath, who has joined the sopranos.

We have had a couple of other enquiries so are anticipating those ladies to join us.

However, please keep passing the message out to anywhere you visit. Posters and flyers are available at rehearsal.

**Josie** to send Fiona’s contact details to Catherine for addition to the membership list.

Note – **Anne** had taken these as Josie was away and has forwarded them.

1. **2024 Events**

**St Peter’s Stonnall April 20th**

Please arrive at 6.30-45.

Uniform is black with the turquoise scarf.

We have decided not to leave the piano etc. at the church between rehearsal and concert

We will establish where we can leave our belongings during the concert when we are there for rehearsal.

**Lynne** has agreed to compere and **Rupert** will let her know when announcements are to be made.

**Shenstone Festival**

This is will be on the evening of Saturday 29th June.

**Rupert** to check in which church this will be held and whether it is possible to rehearse there beforehand.

**Alrewas Festival - 17th-24th August**

**Rupert** has proposed Sunday 18th , Wednesday 21st or Saturday 24th and we awaiting confirmation of the date.

**Rotary Concert – 7th September at Lichfield Methodist Church**

**Anne** will contact Elizabeth Wall and arrange a meeting to discuss some more detail.

**2024 Winter/Christmas Concert**

Lynne and Rupert had visited Darwin Hall. Although the facilities were very good as it was a large space, there was concern about atmosphere. It would be difficult to light the performers and not the audience.

It was decided **Anne** would enquire about availability at Wade St Church, Whittington Village Hall and Thomas Spencer Hall.

Rupert is anticipating involving the musicians as for the last 2 Christmas concerts, although possibly not another full choir. There may be options for some male voices and soloists etc.

1. **Charities**

Cheryl had been in touch with Kirsty form ‘Kids Like Us’.

They have agreed to a cheque presentation and photo shoot on Wednesday May 22nd.

If members would like to be included in the photos they are asked to arrive by 7.25 and wearing uniform (black with turquoise scarves). We know not all members can make this and it is likely not all members can be included in the pictures.

**Yvonne** will purchase a large cheque and fill it in with the details.

£910 has been raised and will be transferred to ‘Kids Like Us’ once the PRS refund of £75 has been received.

Marilyn Heald has suggested funding a commemorative prize in Helen Klich’s name at Fradley Primary School.

The Committee discussed possibly a certificate and book or voucher recognising some exceptional actions of a child (possibly an act of kindness). Initially this could be funded for a limited time (5 years was suggested) but could be extended.

**Lynne** will contact the school to discuss with them.

Yvonne has had contact with MIND Burton, who seem happy we are supporting them and offeredto help with volunteers, buckets etc at any fund-raising concert. **Lynne & Josie** will get in touch to resolve how this may work practically. **Anne** will discuss supporting MIND in her meeting with the Rotary as they had asked what charity we ae supporting at the initial meeting.

**Josie** has been in touch with St George’s to let them know we are supporting them this year. We will let them know about any fund-raising concerts.

1. **Insurance**

The annual policy has been paid and a copy is in the storage cabinets

1. **Bank Signatory**

Lynne is now a full signatory and is awaiting her ‘gadget’ to allow her to process bank transfers online.

1. **Future Proofing**

**Anne** will copy & print the GDPR forms so copies can be kept in the storage cabinets

Rupert has been added to the OVH logon (our website and email hosting service) and **Anne** will also add Catherine.

1. **Scores**

Lynne asked about photocopied scores.

Members may have copied scores (e.g. Good Morning Baltimore) but should have an original ‘legal copy too. If asked at a concert about any score only legal copies should be shown to the enquirer.

**Anne** to check licences for ‘With a Little Help’ and ‘Make you Feel my Love’.

**Rupert** to legalise ‘In My Life’ through Arrange Me before 20th April concert.

1. **Publicity by Third Parties**

It was agreed that any photos or logos used by third parties i.e. concert organisers should be supplied by us as our most recent. We will also be asking that to agree to any publicity material before it is published.

**Next Committee Meeting**

Next committee meeting - Thursday May 16th at Cheryl’s

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Wednesday 17th April – Rehearsal at St Peter’s Stonnall - the church will be open from 7.30**

**Saturday 20th April – Concert at St Peters, Stonnall, please arrive 6.30-45 pm**

**Wednesday May 22nd 7.25 pm – ‘Kids Like Us’ cheque presentation at Thomas Spencer Hall**

**Saturday 29th June (evening) – Shenstone Festival Concert, St John’s Church, Shenstone**

**Sunday 18th , Wednesday 21st or Saturday 24th August – Alrewas Festival**

**Saturday September 7th, 7.30 pm – Concert for Lichfield Rotary at Lichfield Methodist Church**