

MINUTES
Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture (GJCAC)
Wednesday, April 24, 2019 Parks and Recreation Office, Lincoln Park

Commissioners Present: Gary Ambrosier, Ron Cloyd, John Cooper, Sarah Dishong, Donna Fullerton, Dean Harris, Kristian Hartter, Matt Janson,

Commissioners Absent: Kelley Raymond, Honora Thompson

Others Present: Lorie Gregor, Bennet Boeschstein

Chair Sarah Dishong called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Gary Ambrosier moved to approve the minutes of the March 27 meeting. Donna Fullerton seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of new members: Ron Cloyd, Matt Janson, and John Cooper were introduced. Kelley Raymond as absent due to illness. Welcome!

Updated Committee Roster: The updated committee roster was handed out.

GVOST Representative: Ron Cloyd will be the newly appointed GVOST representative.

OLD BUSINESS

Grant Adoptions: Grant adoptions were updated with new member's requests. Lorie will send email introduction to organizations.

REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bookcliff Barbershop Harmony Chorus: Donna gave her evaluation of the Bookcliff Barbershop Harmony Chorus performance. Evaluation is attached.

Messiah: Gary gave his evaluation of the Messiah. Evaluation is attached.

Senior Theatre: Dean gave his evaluation of the GJ Senior Theatre Melodrama. Evaluation is attached.

Write On!: Sarah & Gary gave an update regarding newly formed D51relationships.

First Church: Lorie did a presentation to the ladies group at First Church. A future training will be given to Commissioners to do some educational outreach in the community.

The next regular meeting of the GJCAC will be 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, May22, at the Parks and Recreation Office. As there was no further business, Sarah declared the meeting adjourned at 5:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Gregor



Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture Event/Project/Program Evaluation

Organization: Bookcliff Barbershop Harmony Chorus
 Name of Event: 007 A James Bond Parody
 Evaluation by: Donna Fullerton, attended the 2pm performance
 Date of Event: April 13, 2019, 2pm and 7pm
 Number of attendees: 300-400 for both
 Number of Artists: 70+
 Ticket Prices: \$18 Adults, \$12 Students

Description: The Bookcliff Barbershop Harmony Chorus gave two performances, 2pm and 7pm. I attended the 2pm performance which was pretty well attended.

There were eight groups: The Bookcliff Barbershop Harmony Chorus, Olyn Carlson, Director CMU's Women's Chorus, Director Dr. Anduri Graham, CMU Men's Chorus, Director, Dr. Adam Kaluck, GJHS Leading Tones Septet and Men's Choir, Director Brad Hirsh, Caprock Academy High School Choir, Director Amy Swonger, Grand Mesa A Capella (Sweet Adelines) Director, Colette Mayers, Steppin' Up Quartet (Sweet Adelines) and The Canyon Grand Barbershop Quartet.

The event lasted 1.5 hours. Guests were treated to a variety of songs from You are my Sunshine to Vive L'Amour.

Strengths: I felt that all of the performers did an outstanding job musically. Many ages were represented throughout the event. I liked that there were a number of performers from high school and college. While all groups were fun to watch, I was especially impressed by the energetic Leading Tones Women's Septet singing Swing Lo, Sweet Chariot. The BBHC gave a fun parody of 007, with Flames Bond as leading man. Also, the Facebook page has a good deal of information and photos of BBHC.



Weaknesses: I am not sure if there was enough advertisement. Their website is accurate, but loaded with ads/popups and low res photos. I was sitting down front and noticed that the sound was of not great quality. It wasn't uniform either, working better for some groups than others.

Publicity: Was the GJCOAC logo used in the following:
 Program: Yes and listed as a sponsor
 Advertising on Facebook: Yes and GJCOAC was listed as a sponsor
 GJCAC link on organization's website: No
 Organization's website linked on our website?: Yes
 Organization: Dave Woodward worked with me before and after the event. They did not thank the commission individually at the 2pm performance, but thanked the Sponsors as a whole.

GRAND JUNCTION COMMISSION ON ARTS AND CULTURE

EVENT/PROJECT/PROGRAM EVALUATION

Organization	Messiah Choral Society
Name of event/program/project	Messiah
Your name	Gary Ambrosier
Dates of Event	April 20-21, 2019
Date you attended	April 20, 2019
Number of people in attendance	Dress Rehearsal 20 people
Number of participants (artists)	90 members

Describe the event (strengths)

Volunteer singers attend rehearsals for the past 13 weeks, meeting Sundays from 2-4 pm at the First United Methodist Church. The orchestra members meet several times before this and then joined forces on Good Friday, April 19th for a four-hour rehearsal along with the soloists. Then on Saturday, which I attended, they did a dress rehearsal from 10-2, with a lunch provide around 11:45 to 12:30. The concert is on Easter Sunday beginning at 2:00 p.m. The dress rehearsal costs \$10.00 to attend, however the concert on Easter Sunday is free to the public. Scott Betts is the director and does an outstanding job, giving great cues for all members. One young man I spoke to mentioned he is learning so much this year and having a better understanding of the music. He also sings between two mature singers and this has helped him with vocal diction and intonation.

What were the weaknesses of the event I didn't see any as Scott Betts knows the score and rehearses the group in a very timely manner.

What Suggestions do you have to improve this event? Suggestions from members are: 1. Maybe do this on Psalm Sunday or the Octave of Easter. 2. Do the Christmas portion in December and the other part at Easter. Several pros and cons with this, added expense for Soloists who they bring in, cost of printing and rental of the hall.

Publicity: Was the GJCOAC logo used in. check Appropriate boxes (please attach samples)

- Posters x
- Program/brochure x however, I did not notice our logo on the program.
- GJCAC listed as a donor/supporter xx
- Received professional pictures from organization xx
- Public Service Announcement mentions GJCAC xx KAFM radio
- GJCAC link on organization's website x
- Is the organization website lined on our website x
- Organization worked with you before/during after event x