Holland Chorale Annual Business Meeting Tuesday, September 15, 2020 7 pm via Zoom

Attending: Julie Anderson; Patrick Coyle; Jean Lemmenes; Betty McLarty; Maura Reynolds; Pam Wells; Carol Zeh; singers of the Holland Chorale

President Jean Lemmenes called the annual business meeting to order at 7 pm

- 1. Jean welcome participants and announced that the Chorale's 2020-2021 season has been sponsored by the Edgar and Elsa Prince Foundation. She introduced members of the Executive Committee who will participate in this annual meeting.
- 2. Pam and Maura acknowledged the many groups of volunteers who help the Chorale function so smoothly.
- 3. Carol reminded attendees about some on-going volunteer opportunities: singing for the Curbside Cabaret fundraisers; highlighting the work of the Chorale on social media (sharing with friends; liking posts; forwarding *Music Mondays*); helping with the operations committee. She also reminded singers to return their surveys and reminded them about paying the \$50/semester dues.
- 4. Operations Manager Betty McLarty introduced herself and spoke briefly about her responsibilities.
- 5. Julie presented the treasurer's report. Despite the disruptions caused by the pandemic, the Chorale is in good financial shape.
- 6. Patrick introduced the 2020-2021 season. The season's theme is "Live-ish from the Lakeshore." The fall concert premiers on the Chorale's YouTube channel on Sunday, October 25, 2020 at 7:30 pm. The Chorale has already prepared one of the works (*One Voice*) virtually. Rehearsals for other works begin after this business meeting. The Chorale will be joined at the fall concert by Chorale members Kent Van Til and Bruce Formsma (trumpet duo); artistic director Coyle and accompanist Kristin Goodyke (four-hand piano); former accompanist Phyllis Miner and Chorale member Gene Gess (harp/flute).

Next will be the traditional holiday concert on Sunday, December 13, 2020 at 7:30 pm streaming on the Chorale's YouTube channel. The Chorale will be joined by Kristin and Aaron Goodyke (organ duo), the Chancel Choir of Park Church (Grand Rapids), Kurt and Judi Stroh (handbells), and choristers from West Michigan Children's Choir.

We hope to return to First Reformed Church on Sunday, March 14, 2021, at 3 pm for our spring concert: Beethoven meets the Beatles. The Chorale will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Beethoven as well the Beatles' *Abbey Road* album which went platinum fifty years ago. If a live concert is not possible, we'll stream on the YouTube channel.

In May, we plan to celebrate the end of a glorious season with a Grand Night for Singing.

7. No questions were submitted. Jean closed the annual business meeting at 7:25 pm