

# Meeting

Date 10/25/18  
Time 7:00pm  
Location Carmel High School, E157

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**Meeting called by:** **Type of meeting:** General Ovation Meeting  
**Facilitator:** Katie Kouns **Note taker:** Rachel Ferry

**Attendees:** Attendance Not Taken - General Membership Meeting - to note, largest attendance to date.

## Minutes

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**Agenda item** Holiday Spec **Presenter:** Katie

### Discussion: Holiday Spec

What to expect: it's bigger than our last show - it is time consuming and it is exhausting - but it's worth it. Season of Giving - Holiday Spec is a gift to our community. Schedule of all rehearsals are on the calendar and on the website - all already available. There is a more help needed than any other show throughout the year - with all of the performances you can do both - watch and help. Lots of volunteers are needed.

Specific needs: room monitors - costume needs! Each choir has between 3-7 costumes... do not need just people who sew. 80-90% of costume work does not involve sewing. Shifts available during the day and evenings when Accents or Ambassadors are rehearsing (usually Mondays and Wednesdays) - if you are willing and able, you will be put to work.

Saturday of performance 12/8 student dinner and party between concerts - all students stay at CHS for dinner (wearing their pjs) - parents are needed to help - looking for donations for raffle prizes - each family asked to donate a small gift or gift card to be given away (value of around \$5), please wrap and bring down the week before Holiday Spec. If gifts are gender specific please note on outside of gift.

Carmel Choirs are partnering with the backpack program again this year - an email will go out with recommended items to be donated. Students will be asked to bring things as well on the Nov. 10th rehearsal.

Photography - there will be a dress rehearsal on 12/5 that will be available for approved photographers to take shots during rehearsal.

Posters and flyers are available as you walk out of the meeting to be put around town - please take!

T-shirts - everyone will get t-shirts for spec it was included in fees.

Looking for people to decorate for lobby before spec.

Keepsake Ornament will be available to purchase during spec - looking for a volunteer to "take this task on".... Create order form - setup and manage table during Holiday Spec

**NO REHEARSAL ON THE TUESDAY DURING SPEC WEEK!!!!**

Monday of Spec Week - we will be doing an abbreviated show for a lot of the elementary schools in Carmel (one grade level) - it will be during SRT - and only certain choirs.

**Conclusions: Sign up genius will be sent out within the week for everyone to have the opportunity to sign up. Please sign up for at least one thing. If you sign-up for something where you are physically around any of the students - you MUST have a current background check on file with the school system.**

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**Agenda item:** Costuming **Presenter:** Katie

### Discussion: Post Spec Laundry

In reference to hand laundering and machine laundering after Holiday Spec.... Each choir needs to have a rep that either knows how to collect and do the laundry or take care of it as an Ovation Rep. Each choir needs someone IN the rooms at the end of the 2:00pm show to collect and sort laundry - with names assigned and laundry checked out.

Costuming: we really need extra hands on deck - Deanna Alvarez is heading up laundry. Each ovation rep will be organizing who takes the laundry (or will have a rep doing it for them) - looking for someone to shadow Deanna to hopefully take over laundry once her daughter graduates. She's seeking an assistant.

**Conclusions: Deanna needs each Ovation rep to let her know that they can collect and take care of laundry distribution or who their rep is. - please advise Deanna by mid-November. Deanna is looking for another parent helper and someone who can possibly help do it after her daughter graduates next year.**

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**Agenda item:** BUDGET

**Presenter:** Katie

**Discussion: Poinsettias**

Biggest fundraiser of the year. Each choir student is responsible for 5 plants - if they sell 20 or more it counts as their "A" project -

**Conclusions: SELL SELL SELL - if you haven't seen the order form (which they got last week) - there is a form on your way out.**

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**Agenda item:** BUDGET

**Presenter:** Katie

**Discussion: Restaurant Nights**

Upcoming dates and places will be announced via social media and email - coming soon is Spaghetti Factory and they give a good percentage back - be on the lookout for it.

**Conclusions:**

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**Agenda item:** Home of the Holidays

**Presenters:** Katie

**Discussion: New Event Fundraiser for Select Sound**

Holiday Home Tour by Select Sound - 5 homes in the area... (West Carmel) - members of Select Sound and other choirs will be providing entertainment at each home...

Saturday 12/15 from 10am - 4pm — tour will be all day on that day. We will need helpers at each home - offering volunteer hours for students, but will need help. Also still looking for homes to tour.

**Conclusions: Please contact Jim Martin if you have a home you'd like on tour, or if you have ideas for sponsorship.**

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**Agenda item:** SCRIP

**Presenter:** Lauren W.

**Discussion: How AMAZING IT IS!**

SCRIP is the easiest way to make money for your kid's choir - automatically off sets your fees. Lots of "double points" right now where they literally double the amount that you get back - all money goes to fees.

**Conclusions: DO IT! If you have questions contact Ann Boldt**

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**Agenda item:** Fundraiser

**Presenter:** Katie

**Discussion: Large Item Raffle**

Looking for a way to raffle off a large item that would impact the COMMUNITY vs. all choir parents... if someone knows someone/something that would be able to donate an item of value to raffle off - please let choir directors know

**Conclusions:**

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**Agenda item:** Upcoming Events

**Presenter:** Katie

**Discussion:** St. Luke's UMC Christmas Concert

Free event and both Ambassadors and Select Sound will be performing. Will count as "A" project for students

**Conclusions:**

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**Agenda item:** Half Notes

**Presenter:** Kyle

**Discussion:** How AMAZING IT IS!

4th-6th grade students will work with Ambassadors and then perform that evening at the CHS vs. Ben Davis basketball game - registration is now open - max is 120 kids

All registered get 4 tickets to the basketball game

**Conclusions:**

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**Agenda item:** HOLIDAY SPEC REHEARSAL

**Presenter:** Katie

**Discussion:** First Spec Rehearsal is 11/10

Choirs will be there during a specific time sometime between 9am-12pm

Freshmen: 10-noon

Upper level ensembles more 9am-noon

This is the only Saturday rehearsals - student will be asked to bring items for backpack program. Winning class (%) of donations - will receive a donut party.

**Conclusions:**

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### ***Other Information***

**Special notes: Meeting Adjourned at 8:15pm**