



Lumina Youth Choirs Board Budget Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2025

This meeting was a budget meeting with some short recaps of current and immediate events.

1. Denmark Tour Recap: The tour was a great success. No incidents, all of the singers performed well and represented LYC beautifully. We are so thrilled to have been able to offer such an incredible opportunity.
2. Registration Update: We have 62 singers registered. Projections are 90. Lumina has removed a singer from Aurora. The Board will be refunding the tuition that was paid in full for this season. Deah will be submitting a full written report to Matt on the events that lead to this decision.
3. Serata: Bryan NeSmith has accepted the position of Director for Serata. Brian comes to us with a wealth of experience and will be a tremendous asset to our entire organization. The Board voted yes for bringing him aboard for a set salary disclosed to the Board.
4. Retreat: Kyla's will host a single day retreat for Aurora. Stele and Amiaza will have an overnight with 40 students attending. Moving forward we will keep with the same budget for retreat with the understanding that we may need to adjust based on numbers. Would like to eventually add-on to retreat with a water park day or outing, maybe asking even for parents to pay a small portion towards fees.
5. Director contracts: Matt would like to build contracts back into the system; setting up expectations as far as growth, retention, performance opportunities, etc. Something to move towards going into next season.
6. Julie is going to be heading up corporate sponsorships alongside Matt.
7. Terri is going to send concert tickets along with a thank you card to donors and sponsors.
8. Fundraising: Kyla will be working towards using social media (giving tues etc) for generating funds. Hollie will head fundraising but would also like to set up a fundraising schedule that is used yearly along.

9. Voci: Deah would like to offer Voci. She will put out info and hold auditions in Sept. Fee is \$300.
10. Choirs will be hosting a "Bring a Friend Night". Board will be donating a couple of gift cards to raffle to anyone that brings a friend.
11. Deah will announce next summers tour to Denver at retreat and discuss again at Parent Meeting Aug 4th.
12. Overall we are looking forward to a very busy and fun season!

Budget Review:

1. Overall the budget is in great shape.
 - a. Small changes made with adjusting how/where items are labeled under subheadings.
 - b. Reduced the budget for certain line items after reviewing previous years spending.
 - c. Julie will be assisting with checking the budget to balance and check for accuracy.
 - d. 2 requests for scholarships have come in. Board to review and vote to approve or deny.
 - e. Projecting 90 singers to hit budget numbers as they stand.
 - f. Added a stipend into Kyla's salary for her social media work. This will be a yearly stipend.
 - g. Working on fundraisers for the whole organization and for tour participants.
 - h. Have a pending remainder of the Hillsborough County grant coming.
 - i. Awarded a new grant. Matt has a call next week to review obligations to receive. We will not include this into the budget at this time.
 - j. Ending the season last year with an overage that we will carry into the new season.
 - k. Board approved for Deah to purchase bins for music shelves and a printer/ink.
 - l. Matt will make the corrections agreed upon during the review and send for final approval.