SWEET ADELINES INTERNATIONAL INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS 280th (ANNUAL) MEETING

INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

The International Board of Directors met on March 2-3, 2018, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Following is a summary of actions taken.

The charter and chapter membership for the following chapter was authorized:

• East Central Harmony Chapter, Region 3, Charleston, Ill., U.S.A.

The Board approved the advancement of Valerie Taylor to International Judging Program Certified status in the Sound Category.

The Board was pleased to learn that eight grants, totaling \$16,300 had been awarded by the Young Singers Foundation Advancement Committee for events that support the advancement of barbershop harmony for young women.

The Board discontinued the requirement that Worldwide Regions reimburse the International organization an additional \$200 for Regional Judging Expenses.

Phoenix, Arizona, U.S.A. was confirmed as the location for the Sept. 26 – Oct. 1, 2022, International Convention and Competition.

The Board approved a partnership with Groupanizer in order to provide discounts for chapter and prospective chapter websites in an effort to assist choruses with membership growth and retention.

The 2018-19 Sweet Adelines International Committee members were appointed (a list of committees with personnel is available on the website: **About Us** tab, **Meet Our Board** dropdown – near the bottom of the page).

The Board reviewed reports of the task forces currently serving the Organization (a list of task forces with personnel and mandate is available on the website: **About Us** tab, **Meet Our Board** dropdown – at the bottom of the page):

- 75th Anniversary Task Force
- Arranger Education Task Force
- Creative Membership Task Force
- Development Task Force
- History/Archival Task Force
- Public Domain Music Search Task Force
- Regional Governance Pilot Project Task Force
- Song Writing Contest Task Force