



HARMONY HEARTLAND, REGION 4 REGIONAL MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

Welcome and Agenda Review

Sue welcomed all to the Zoom meeting – Attendance by all except Jeanne Delahunty. Agenda was reviewed as sent to with only one addition of reviewing the Beverly Miller Award document.

All Coordinator Reports Review

Team Coordinator – Sue sent her report to all. Beverly Miller is going to Almost Heaven on Thursday to work with them. She goes over about every 3 weeks to have a director at their rehearsals.

Education Coordinator – Kim sent her reports. In addition:

Event Faculty - all leaders have been secured for all events between now and 2021. She is working on 2022 and 2023 events.

Singing Summit – finalizing classes. STAR Chorus option was discussed – any registered member who wants to participate could if they have the region song that would be pre-selected known and off paper at the Saturday evening show. CARs contest – would like to have if enough quartets sign up. Tentative time is 4:30pm – 5:30pm on the 25th. Monetary Award would be presented to the winners if they continue on to the Rising Start contest which will be held at IES in 2020, San Antonio. In 2020 marketing materials will be created to promote CARS and promoted at the various youth festivals held in the summer by R4 choruses.

Small Chorus Seminar – The need for this education event was requested by several choruses in the R4 survey. Molly Hoffman and Debbie Hite have been contacted about being event facilitators...awaiting response from both. Diamond Jubilee and Gem City will be host choruses. Finalizing which site will be hosting. \$10 fee for the participants will include lunch. Classes in the morning and then two 2-hour coaching sessions in the afternoon, will add more if more interest. In order to qualify each chorus must have 4 parts and 80% attendance.

2019-2020 International Funded Visit report – please add K-Town Sound to list of details.

YWIH report – Prizes need to be determined. Joy Sullentrop as possible back up director in Kim Newcombe's absence from 2020 contest. YWIH chorus will sing sometime during Contest but not on stage.

Events Coordinator – Natalie sent an email back on July 24th with an update on Singing Summit for 2020 and 2021 and Leaders' Workshop 2020. She also submitted an updated report synopsis.

Working on securing Risers for Singing Summit – request has been made to POKY and waiting on response.

Director's Coordinator – Deb submitted her update. In addition, Lynn Hartmuth has offered her services to help promote regional songs at regional events.

Membership Coordinator – Marsha's report was sent to all. In addition:

Almost Heaven is in jeopardy of not being re-chartered. Toula will be setting a date to go visit them. Ohio Heartland: Sue Pelley recently reviewed their standing rules and they recently got 4 new members.

Chorus Buddies – working on getting other members to help with this program and get it going again. Betty Lou – spent 1 week in the hospital after surgery and is now home. Marsha will share her home address with the RMT so we can send her get well cards.

Marketing Coordinator – Kristie sent her report. In addition:

CARs flyer will be updated.

Passport Program – Sue and Kristie will work on a plan to close out this round at Singing Summit. Kick off the next round at Singing Summit with details of the prize packets and how members can participate. One suggestion was for all attendees of events drop their name badge into a box at the end of the event which will be one entry into the drawing at the end of the program towards the prizes. This is an easy way to track entries without much work from any one person.

Communications Coordinator – Jeanne was not in attendance but follow up from Sue via email she indicated no changes at this time, all is status quo.

Finance Coordinator – Beverly sent draft budgets and final P/L report for regional contest. In addition:

Regional assessments have been received by most chapters.

Region Contest broke even this year.

Budget for this FY is balances as of now.

2020 International Contests (POKY and MNC) monetary gifts will be given to them at Singing Summit.

Will make a big deal so attendees see how the region supports all our chapters and quartets.

YWIH Liaison – Liz's report was submitted with Kim's. YWIH Chorus will perform at regional contest instead of Singing Summit. Kim Newcomb will not be there so Liz will be working on a backup.

Secretary - Lura sent all the June reports and minutes to all members on July 7th. They are also located on the region website.

Operating Budget

Draft was sent to all members and briefly reviewed during the meeting.

Accountability: ALL RMT – please review document and ensure it is correct for your portions.

Region 4 Chorus Health/Activities Update

Document was shared with all through Google Docs. Updates are listed in the report. This might include coachings, Regional visits completed or requested, shows, etc. Updated file is attached for your review. Please update with any additional information you may know of.

Accountability: ALL RMT

R4 Survey responses observations

Excel file was sent to all. There are several tabs – one is the master file and then a few tabs that have specific feedback on specific topics.

RMT team needs to be introduced at all events.

Need build the importance for why we all need to attend education events.

Membership networking at events would be helpful – Friday evenings would work

Chorus buddies for each RMT member. Marsha will review chapters and RMT members and assign them based on when the chorus rehearses verses the RMT members rehearsal night. Each RMT member will be assigned 2-3 choruses. Kim already has 3 she works with.

PVIs – would like to have more during events.

Accountability: Kim Wonders (EC); Deb Bringman (DC); Marsha Leistner (MC), Natalie Allen (EVC); Sue Pelley (TC).

Pep Rally at International Convention – New Orleans, September 2019

Region 4 prep rally will be coordinated for our competitors. Currently scheduled for Tuesday, Sept 17th at 6:55pm. Kim reminded Sue that this is during the Harmony Classic Contest. Sue will connect with Scioto Valley to reschedule. Once secured a flyer with the details will be sent to all Region 4 members. Kristie designed and ordered a ribbon and other fun glow sticks/items that will be provided for all R4 attendees to wear to support our competitors.

Accountability: Kristie Clark (Mktg C); Marsha Leistner (MC); Sue Pelley (TC)

RMT members attending International Convention/Leadership Event

The following members will be in New Orleans – Sue, Kim, Natalie, Deb, Kristie, Beverly, Lura. Leadership Event will be attended by Sue, Natalie, Deb, Kristie, Beverly. This was a SAI invitation to respond event. If you haven't contacted SAI with your attendance, please do so.

Accountability: RMT Attendees

Director's Electronic Site

Deb was requesting ideas on how/where to set up a secure place for R4 directors to communicate. It was suggested that a private Facebook page be established for front line directors and Deb could be the administrator. She will work with Jeanne if assistance is needed to set it up.

Accountability: Deb Bringman (DC)

Choruses that must compete in 2020

Deb is requesting input on communications to three Choruses that are required to compete in 2020 to retain their charters. Individual emails should be sent to each chapter that includes requirements per SAI. Include the IFV option, coaching possibilities, etc. Deb will prepare the email and send to Sue, Kim and Marsha to review before sending out. Marsha did find information regarding "chapter renewal" in the SAI Policy Book (Sec.3, DivA, 2.). Harmony Roses, Friendship VII, Ohio Heartland

Accountability: Deb Bringman (DC); Marsha Leistner (MC)

Bev Miller Leadership Award – Review/Discuss Proposal

A draft nomination letter was submitted for RMT review. Sue sent to all to review. Need to determine when the deadline would be. It will be presented to members at the Singing Summit and winner presented at Regional Contest. Sue will work with Molly to finalize details.

Accountability: Sue Pelley (TC)

Next Meeting

Zoom meeting – October 20th, 7pm. Sue will send invite with links to call/join in prior to the meeting.

Accountability: Sue Pelley (TC)