

HARMONY HEARTLAND, REGION 4 REGIONAL MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Welcome and Agenda Review

Sue welcomed all to the Zoom meeting – All were in attendance. Agenda was reviewed as sent to all.

All Coordinator Reports Review

Team Coordinator -

Regional Contest – Wendy and Sue are meeting regularly. Tentative budget was worked up by Beverly. Flyer with other information will be created by Kristie and Sue. Afterglow will be an "Open Mic". Groups can sign up at registration to perform at the Afterglow. Directors Years of Service Pins official recognition will be part of the afterglow. 2019 Judges Fees were just received and Paid. Approximately \$9000. The Contest Committee will be meeting on Friday night at the Singing Summit weekend. Registration list from International will be reviewed and follow up with each chorus will be made to ensure all are registered prior to deadline in February.

RMT Retreat - Sue has secured June 18th and 19th for our Vision/Goal setting retreat with Theresa, International Board member. Discussion to open to potential future RMT members was had and will be finalized later. Visual aids and other needs for the meeting are to be determined and finalized after Regional Contest.

Accountability: Sue (TM). Kristie (MkgC), Natalie (EVC)

Education Coordinator -

International Visits Funding – All but one has been booked/used. Friendship VII would like to utilize this and were told to connect with Deb ASAP.

Singing Summit – Schedule was sent out this week. Registration at time of this meeting was 228 attendees. Jeanne sent a final report to RMT that 257 members have registered for this event. Natalie is finalizing catering for lunch and other last-minute details. There are no registrations as of this meeting for the CARS Contest on Saturday afternoon. Friday Director session will be open to all directors and assistant directors but will need to have a final count by the 15th so Natalie can ensure proper room setup. Jeanne will be sending out an email to directors/assistant directors for the official region invite. DCP testing will be handled by Debbie Thistle on Friday evening. Membership Informal Breakout session during lunch on Saturday will be hosted by Marsha. RMT will be introduced between each class session - all will be at the front of the room but only 1 or 2 members will introduce their team at a time. A 1-page day of timeline will be prepared by Kim and shared with RMT so they know who is introducing when. The top 5 choruses, quartets have been asked to perform at the Saturday Show. She has an ask out to the QC Club to see if they would like to perform. Sunday Quartet Coaching is waiting on response from Glamour. Infinity was supposed to have this time but have disbanded, not all of Tenacious will not be in attendance so they have passed on the opportunity.

Small Chorus Seminar – June 6, 2020 will be the date of this one-day Seminar. It will be held at the Diamond Jubilee rehearsal hall. Gem City will provide a list of hotels around the area for those that would like to stay overnight. Each chorus member that attends will be assessed a \$10 fee which will include the classes and lunch. Discussion for both Diamond Jubilee and Gem City Choruses to receive a \$500 honorarium to plan/execute the event was discussed. They would provide the space and lunches. Faculty fees would be paid out of the 2021 region budget. Class itinerary and topics are in the works. Debbie Hite has let Kim know she will not be able to assist with this event due to Knee surgery. Molly Hoffman will be one faculty. Kim will be asking Jean Barford to fill the other role of faculty. Deb will get verbal commitments from chorus directors at Singing Summit. Work on a video for showing at Regional Contest as to why someone is attending this seminar to increase interest. Members of DJ and GC Choruses will man a sign-up booth at contest. An official flyer is in the works as well.

2020 Leadership Workshop – Regional Faculty will be utilized this year. Agenda is being worked on. Will have both Administrative and Music tracks. Music track for Director's and music teams. The Administrative track will be facilitated by RMT – Membership, Finance, Marketing, Assistant Directors, YWIH and Team Coordinator Leadership sessions. Any and all ideas for table-top discussion/information would be appreciated and send to Kim. Any suggestions for this year's theme should also be sent to Kim.

Accountability: Kim (EdC), Natalie (EVC) Jeanne (CC), Deb (DC). Kristie (MkgC)

Events Coordinator – Natalie is working with Kim closely for the upcoming Singing Summit.

All other events are in process and currently on track for the established timelines.

Director's Coordinator – Deb submitted her report.

Director's pins – Deb sent an email to all directors about longevity. 14 of the 19 responded and it was determined that the directors have a combined 450+ years of membership in the Sweet Adeline organization and 200+ years of Directors experience. RMT agreed to move forward in purchasing the appropriate director pins for our current directors. They will be passed out to the directors during the chorus briefing at regional contest so they can wear them over the weekend when not competing. A general announcement will be made during the directors entrance on stage at the end of contest mentioning them receiving them as well as an ad in the program and on the Jumbo Tron will be created to let all the region members know of this new program and to thank all the director's as they see them throughout the weekend. Deb will order and submit the details of cost to Sue and Beverly for the budget.

Friendship VII – Deb and Marsha had a video conference with the director and other management members. This is a declining chorus with their youngest member is 50 years old. 14 members total. Monthly dues are \$25 each of which only \$8 goes to the chorus. They asked if someone would be able to go work with them from Columbus or Scioto Valley Choruses. Marsha and Deb follow-up with some answers to their questions such as: Chorus Treasurer to contact Beverly to discuss their budget. Do not give all payments from performances to local charities – need to keep some for the chorus operating expenses. Marsha/Deb gave them some homework also to do before they connect again. Where are they as a chorus; Where do they want to go in the future; etc.

Accountability: Deb (DC). Marsha (MC)

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

Prospective Chorus – Kathy Mollins from Owensboro Kentucky. International sent an email to Marsha back in mid-December. She will be following up with Kathy since the holidays are now behind us.

Ohio Heartland – Sent an email in early December for a RMT visit. She will follow up with them also this month.

Marketing Coordinator – Kristie is working with all on the different events flyers/etc.

Communications Coordinator -

Working on getting everything on the Region Contest website ready to go live this month.

Singing Summit - Final registration list will be sent out once it closes on Wednesday.

Finance Coordinator – Beverly sent reports.

Region 1099 - Sending to Peggy Gram soon.

YWIH Liaison – Liz's report was submitted.

CARS contest at Singing Summit has no competitors at this time.

YWIH Chorus will perform at regional contest.

List of 2020 camps being hosted within the Region will be sent in to be on the Jumbo Tron during Contest.

Secretary - October reports and final minutes to all members on Nov 10th.

Any help needed please contact for assistance.

Region 4 Chorus Buddies Update

Kim – Cincinnati Sound, Capital City, K-Town Sound
All have recently been coached by Kim and are doing well.

Natalie – Harmony Hills, Diamond Jubilee, Harmony Roses Diamond Jubilee is doing fine.

Harmony Hills is rocking on and planning to compete this year.

Harmony Rose still has not responded to date.

Deb – Unbridled Harmony, Tune Town, Friendship VII
Working on reaching out to them since the holidays are over.

Marsha – Spirit of Evansville, Ohio Heartland, Scioto Valley Since holidays are over will be reaching out to them.

Kristie – Metro Nashville, River Magic, One Voice Ok with all of them.

Beverly – Gem City, Almost Heaven, Columbus Gem City is doing good.

Almost Heaven is down to 10 members and planning a meeting on Jan 2nd. Will send email to Beverly and Marsha after that. They will need to compete in 2021 for Charter.

Columbus - Kathy and Kim sent a letter to international about the open division order of appearance draw and got a response from Paula Davis with suggestions on ways to increase audience during first part of competition.

Jeanne – White River Sound, Pride of Kentucky, Scenic City Pride of Ky – OK

White River Sound – Good Holiday Show and will be in the open division this coming contest.

Scenic City – No response at this time

Accountability: RMT Members. Need to come up with a couple of questions to send out prior to the next meeting so all will be on the same page. Sue/Marsha to work on.

Next Meeting

Zoom meeting – March 8th, 7pm. Sue will send invite with links to call/join in prior to the meeting. Discussion will include Follow-up to Singing Summit and Touchbase for Regional Contest.

Accountability: Sue Pelley (TC)