

Membership coordinator report May 2020

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Contacted all RMT coordinators re: making contact with chorus buddies. (Since Jeanne is now a member of POKY, she and Kristie have switched this and Jeanne now has River Magic Chorus.)

Received message from SAI re: possible change of status for Unbridled Harmony. They have 14 members, so eligible to automatically recharter, however, given their low membership numbers they were given the option to consider entering the Revitalization program. They have not yet resonded to this (to me). Kim was copied on this letter as Education. I forwarded to Deb for Directors--since they don't have a front-line director at this point, and to Toula as the Revitalization chair.

Deb contacted me about participating in the next Directors call to answer questions, etc, re: membership during this time we're all not meeting.

Have had questions from a few people about the status of International and getting back to regular rehearsals. I answered as best I could with the information we have, indicating that the Int'l Board will let us know when they have made an official decision and that given the recent medical/professional information about group singing, SAI is not recommending regular rehearsals at this time.

Have been working on compiling information about membership and hope to pull some of this together to send a general informational report out to choruses in the next couple of weeks.

Chorus buddy reports:

SVC--contacted president Chery Shaw early this week, but have received no reply as of this afternoon.

Spirit of Evansville--also contacted president Shirlie Holmes early this week and have heard nothing from her.

Ohio Heartland--I did hear back from Bonnie Joseph. She reports that they are proceeding with business and musical activities for the members to accomplish on a monthly basis. They are still searching for a full-time director, but this is very difficult at this time. A few days ago they had an opportunity to see each other from an appropriate social distance and enjoyed this very much. One of their members celebrated her 93rd birthday this week and they did a surprise drive-by birthday parade with signs in her yard. Very exciting for them all. They are mostly "electronically challenged", so they aren't very successful at that. Also, she said they hope the church where they rehearse will open back up at the end of May and they hope they can resume regular rehearsals. They have elected new officers. Altogether this was a very positive and upbeat message and I was happy to hear this from her. I did caution her about getting back together too soon, since they do have many older members, but encouraged them to use their best judgement and remain safe.

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