



HARMONY HEARTLAND, REGION 4 REGIONAL MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING SUNDAY, May 17, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Welcome and Agenda Review

Sue welcomed all to the Zoom meeting – All were in attendance.

COORDINATOR UPDATES

Membership Update – Marsha

The Region is in agreeance with International on not hosting any in-person rehearsals.

Unbridled Harmony has not competed for 3 years, were going to this year, so need to re-charter or go into revitalization. 3 of their 8 members have been on POKY Zoom calls. Marsha is going to set up a call with them.

Almost Heaven is in revitalization currently. Question to International about a possible 1-year grace period for these choruses due to COVID 19 needs to be sent for this and other general information to share with Region 4 members.

Zoom Session with Chorus membership coordinators will be set up by Marsha.

Directors Update – Deb

Harmony Hills has a new interim director, Michael Giddens.

White River Sound and Cincinnati Sound have Music Teams leading meetings/rehearsals while director searches continue.

Zoom meetings with the directors have been done and more are scheduled. Their primary concern currently is membership.

Education Update - Kim

YWIH had a Zoom meeting with 19 members and Liz participating. They have set up a Facebook private page and scheduled several rehearsals to continue learning working on their music for performance at Regional events this coming year.

IFV – we had 1 rollover to next year because of being cancelled due to COVID19.

Singing Summit 2021 – Lori Lyford will be our guest faculty. Friday afternoon session will be open to Front Line and Assistant Directors, but the Friday evening social hour will be for just Front-line directors.

Communication Update – Jeanne

State of the Region update was sent to RMT to complete so Jeanne can compile and submit by June 1st deadline.

Marketing Update – Kristie

Nothing at the time of meeting.

Events Update – Natalie

In limbo currently due to not knowing what will happen this summer.

On track for Singing Summit in January.

Team Update – Sue

On Zoom meeting with Presidents/Team Leaders and synopsis sent to RMT prior to this meeting.

Will be sending letter to International on Regions concerns and request for more consistent information on general information.

Finance Update – Beverly

Financial reports for April & YTD sent to all prior to meeting. \$19,000+ was donated by chapters for AETs. AET reimbursement to those requesting was at the full \$75.

Regional Assessments will be going out this week to Chapters along with the Contribution letters for donations.

Regional dues will not be reduced at this time as well.

Beverly will be scheduling a Zoom meeting with Chorus Treasurers in the future.

Financial reports will be sent soon to International – submission for overall status and April individually. We have come out pretty good because of our reserve so question to RMT to withdraw financial support from International was asked. Resounding no was stated by all – would like to have a chance at getting something rather nothing from them.

Budget for this year is in the works – sent to all.

International – nothing assuming it will be cancelling.

Leadership Training – virtual meeting.

Singing Summit 2021 – in process

Regional Convention/Contest – Need to increase AET to \$80 to balance budget

Other/Region Visits – Miscellaneous stuff

Chapter Assessments will increase in 2022 budget

Room Blocks - should we look at paying for meeting rooms/meals and forego room blocks to see if cheaper for future meetings/Convention – allow people to stay where they want.

REGION 4 CHORUS BUDDIES UPDATES – Each team member submitted a report prior to the meeting. All correspondence from missing Choruses will be shared with RMT as they are received. If you are not getting responses from the President/Team Leader please email the Director's directly so they know.

Kim – Cincinnati Sound, Capital City, K-Town Sound

Capital is doing fine. Cincinnati Sound's Music Team is leading rehearsals while director search is going on. No response from K-Town Sound at the time of this meeting.

Natalie – Harmony Hills, Diamond Jubilee, Harmony Roses

Due to school stuff Natalie has not reached out to the Choruses.

Deb – Unbridled Harmony, TuneTown, Friendship VII

Friendship VII is chugging along at this time and Unbridled Harmony responded with an upbeat attitude. No response from TuneTown as of this meeting.

Marsha – Spirit of Evansville, Ohio Heartland, Scioto Valley

Spirit of Evansville is plugging along. Ohio Heartland sent a very upbeat and excited response which surprised Marsha. As of this meeting no response from Scioto Valley.

Kristie – Metro Nashville, Pride of Kentucky, One Voice

Nothing out of the ordinary and doing ok currently.

Beverly – Gem City, Almost Heaven, Columbus

Gem City is OK. Almost Heaven is in revitalization and not doing anything currently. They did question if the revitalization timeline will be extended due to COVID19. Not heard from Columbus as of this meeting.

Jeanne – White River Sound, River Magic, Scenic City

River Magic is doing Zoom meetings. No response from Scenic City or White River Sound.

The following 3 Choruses status is a concern:

Almost Heaven, Harmony Roses and Unbridled Harmony

The following 5 Choruses have no director:

Almost Heaven, Cincinnati Sound, Ohio Heartland, Unbridled Harmony and White River Sound

The following 3 Choruses are requesting RMT Visits:

Almost Heaven, Ohio Heartland and Unbridled Harmony

Accountability: RMT Members.

NEXT STEPS FOR RMT

Goals – each RMT member needs to prepare your goals for this Fiscal year (May 1, 2020 – April 30, 2021). Please think out of the box while working on these.

Leadership Meeting – June 2020 moved to July 18th. Virtual classes with RMT members. “Power of Possibilities in these Uncertain Time” is the theme. Classes will be 1 hour each with 2 to 4 classes total. Sessions will be recorded for future use. Attendees will sign up and pay on-line since we will be limited to Zoom participation limitations. RMT Members are to send Title and content of their class they want to present to Kim so she can set line up. Kim will send a formal request to Patti Cobb Baker will be sent to see if she would be willing to be the opening session speaker. Fees for the training day a minimal donation for \$5.00 for Region 4 member and \$10.00 for non-Region 4 members. Kristie will work with Kim on some marketing materials. Another session for September will be reviewed once we see response to this training day.

REGIONAL CALENDAR 2020/2021

July 2020 Leadership Workshop – July 18 Virtual Training Day.

October 2020 SAI International Convention/Contest – Louisville Ky

Waiting on International to send out formal message on this event.

January 2021 Singing Summit, Louisville Ky

Director Pins, Inaugural Bev Miller Leadership Award and 2020 Longevity Awards (50, 55, 60-year members) will be presented.

April 2021 Regional Contest, Covington Ky

A Memorial for any Region 4 members that were lost due to COVID 19 was suggested by Kim.

OLD BUSINESS/REMINDERS

Job Description Bio - Jeanne still needs a short (140 characters or less) Bio of each RMT job description.

Website/Emails – If you are sending out anything via the RMT email or responding please make sure you are including your name so all will know who it is coming from.

Next Meeting

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

Accountability: Sue Pelley (TC)