



HARMONY HEARTLAND, REGION 4 REGIONAL MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING SUNDAY, June 28, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Welcome and Agenda Review

Sue welcomed all to the Zoom meeting – All were in attendance except Kristie and Liz.

COORDINATOR UPDATES – Reports submitted have been uploaded to the region website Membership Update – Marsha

Condolence cards will be sent to the families of Norma Munstock and Char Gurney from the region. A \$500 donation to the Overtone Society will be sent in memory of Norma. A new regional award “Char Gurney Expression Award” will be established with a traveling trophy – it will be presented to the chorus with the highest Expression Category score at regional contest beginning with the 2021 Contest. A one-time scholarship for a front-line director will be given to attend 2022 IES. Details are being finalized by Sue Pelley in conjunction with International personnel.

Directors Update – Deb

Zoom meetings with the directors have been done and more are scheduled. These have been recorded and added to the Directors Facebook page so if they are not able to attend the actual meeting, they can review at a convenient time for them. Deb will be reaching out to those directors that have not attended any meetings to date.

It is recommended that RMT Coordinators attend their assigned Chorus buddies ZOOM rehearsal to have RMT represented and available to answer questions and/or bring to the RMT any questions/concerns the Chorus might have.

Education Update - Kim

Virtual Leadership Workshop – Sat., June 18th

- Jeanne will host event
- Link to event will be open all day
- She will share screen with presenter at their time
- Q&A will only be available in the Chat section – Jeanne and someone else will need to monitor during classes.
- Trail run of the day will be held on Sun., 6/12 at 5pm
- Registered attendees will have access to the room – no waiting in waiting room
- Patty Cobb-Baker will present opening/1st class
- Final Class schedule/times will be sent to RMT by Kim

Singing Summit 2021 – Lori Lyford will be our guest faculty. Lori has retired from teaching so Kim will see if she is available to come in earlier (i.e.: Thursday evening) so a full day of training can be offered to Directors on Friday.

Regional Faculty will be contacted by Kim to evaluate if they are able to assist choruses with virtual meetings/classes in the new world of Zoom meetings/rehearsals. They will be asked to provide an outline of their classes they would be able to provide. These classes should be between 30 minutes and 1 hour. Once she gets these, she will work on providing a comprehensive list to Directors/Chorus Leaders to schedule for future meetings/rehearsals.

Communication Update – Jeanne

Virtual Leadership Training Day – currently have 17 attendees registered. A tribute to Char will be held after Patti Cobb-Baker's class.

Marketing Update – Kristie

Not in attendance – no report currently.

Events Update – Natalie

2020 Leadership locations/agenda/etc. has been rolled to the 2022 Leadership Weekend.

2021 Singing Summit – Working with the Holiday Inn on the contract for the room blocks.

2021 Regional Contest – Waiting on direction from International currently.

2021 Leadership weekend room block will be reduced to 80 rooms at the Marriott Louisville East hotel. In limbo currently due to not knowing what will happen this summer.

Harmony Rose Chorus – Concern by members and not meeting in person. Members are not interested in participating in ZOOM meetings. Most use their phone versus computer and Facebook Life is one direction – not interactive.

Team Update – Sue

Participating in the International Webinar on Saturday, June 27th. 3 take away were: Peggy Graham's presentation on How to do a PVI online, Gwynn Smith's "There's an APP for that" and having an RMT mentoring program. She will compile her notes and share with the RMT.

Finance Update – Beverly

The region is down approximately \$20,000 in reserves only because of the generous donations from members.

Regional Contest contracts are on hold and will be evaluated/signed closer in time to not incur a lot of expenses if International decides to not have again next year.

\$22,000 expense for Convention from this year has been rolled over to next year – showing on this year's budget.

Contract templates is available on the International website in the Events Coordination section. Beverly and Natalie will look at this for future possible use.

REGION 4 CHORUS BUDDIES UPDATES – Each team member submitted a report prior to the meeting. Please see website for details.

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

Natalie – Harmony Hills, Diamond Jubilee, Harmony Roses

Deb – Unbridled Harmony, TuneTown, Friendship VII

Unbridled Harmony – 12 members are they are not involved currently.

TuneTown – One of their members who is an ICU nurse is currently at a Nashville Hospital fighting the COVID19 virus. Please keep her in your thoughts/prayers

Marsha – Spirit of Evansville, Ohio Heartland, Scioto Valley

Ohio Heartland has 18 members, and most are 70+ or older, struggling currently.

Kristie – Metro Nashville, Pride of Kentucky, One Voice

Beverly – Gem City, Almost Heaven, Columbus

Almost Heaven has 9 members regularly participating on ZOOM meetings, they are using videos. Deb and Beverly will be on their meetings to help as needed.

Jeanne – White River Sound, River Magic, Scenic City

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.

NEW BUSINESS/NOTICES

RMT Coordinator Goals – each RMT member submitted their goals for this Fiscal year (May 1, 2020 – April 30, 2021).

R4 Diversity/Inclusiveness Official Statement – RMT regional goal and will be presented to Region 4 members. Jeanne will draft the statement and all RMT members will provide input prior to publishing.

Sharon Babb – It was shared that Sharon's 47-year-old son has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Please keep him, Sharon, and their family in your prayers.

REGIONAL CALENDAR 2020/2021

July 2020 Leadership Workshop – July 18 Virtual Training Day.

October 2020 SAI International Convention/Contest – Louisville Ky

Cancelled. Members who have purchased an AET will be contacted directly from International about rolling over to 2021 Convention or get a refund.

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

Waiting on formal direction from International. A Memorial for any Region 4 members that were lost due to COVID 19 was suggested by Kim.

OLD BUSINESS/REMINDERS

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 – Early August. Sue will send invite with links to call/join in prior to the meeting.

Accountability: Sue Pelley (TC)