



## **HARMONY HEARTLAND, REGION 4 REGIONAL MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING SUNDAY, September 13, 2020 MEETING MINUTES**

### **Welcome and Agenda Review**

Sue welcomed all to the Zoom meeting – All were in attendance except for Jeanne and Natalie.

### **FOLLOW UP ITEMS**

Char Gurney IES Scholarship - \$2000. Bethany Grate, Scioto Valley Chorus member, will be the liaison between SVC and RMT for this scholarship. A committee will be formed to handle the logistics. Kerry DeNino, Kim and Deb, from RMT, be on the committee in addition to the Chair and another 2-3 people. Beverly will handle the disbursements as directed by the committee. Peggy Sutton and Carey Coleson were suggested to Chair this program. Carey has accepted.

SAI International Videos - #1 Video "Regional Check-Ins" was recorded and submitted by Kim. #2 Video "Until Tomorrow" information was pulled and submitted to the drop box by Liz. A lot of photos and a few videos from Region 4 and a couple of Chorus were included.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Diversity Committee – Held a meeting and Jeanne participated. She submitted a report and questions were reviewed by all. Official response will be sent by Sue.

- Songs on the region website are Regional songs, including those that are SAI official songs.
- D&I Committee will be a Sub-committee under Membership.
- Data Collection - this will be tabled at this time. Allow the RMT to study/digest more and will be revisited after the October Virtual Global Open House.

### **SAI INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL GLOBAL OPEN HOUSE (VGOH)**

International hosted several ZOOM meetings about this VGOH and Marsha attended all 5 meetings.

Her report was shared with all.

- Short timeline and turn-around
- Originally this was a 3 phase, 1-year long membership program but due to COVID and membership dipping below 20,000 members SAI felt needed to move on this now
- Need to network and show Sweet Adeline opportunities to the world
- Marketing materials will be on the International Website
- A memo to the Chapters in Region 4 will be sent to help them plan Open House in their communities
- Kristie and Marsha are working on materials to share weekly with the region choruses building up to the International Virtual Convention in October
- Information was shared on Saturday with the TM/Pres group on their ZOOM meeting. Most in attendance are wanting more information to participate and build on this.

- Some choruses feel this is too much too soon – trying to keep what members they have currently involved so not thinking about growth.
- Choruses can do what they want with the information and there will be no pressure to participate.
- Regional plans in the works, after brainstorming during this meeting:
  - Create an Afterglow to honor our 2020 Competitors, showcase our longevity award winners and new directors
  - Small videos/snippets our region has done and is planning that will be on listed our webpage and Facebook so anyone can watch at their leisure.
  - Videos will include but not limited to:
    - 2020 Competing Choruses – Metro Nashville and Pride of Kentucky
    - 2020 Competing Quartets – Glamour, The Ladies and Tenacious
    - Longevity Awards – 7 members – presentation/short interview for those reaching 50, 55, and 60 years with the organization
    - Directors – bio on the 3 newest directors
    - SAI Video # 1 Region Check In
    - SA History Highlights, 30-minute video created by Jennifer Paulus
    - Slideshow of photos of past events by Choruses and Region
  - Facebook – Spotlight 2020 Competitors – each one on a weekly basis leading up to October Convention, then bi-weekly spotlight the rest of the region Choruses and Quartets.

### **FUTURE REGIONAL EVENTS**

Regional Halloween Happy Hour – October 23, 8pm EST – Kristie will be setting up a Happy hour for Regional members to attend. More information/details will be share with RMT and region in the coming weeks.

Singing Summit – Jan 2021 – Survey to region was sent with 2 questions. Results were shared by Jeanne. Majority would rather have a virtual summit than in person. Contracts with the hotel will need to be cancelled and the summit classes/schedule will be completed by Kim. Lori Lyford will still be our guest faculty. Kim did request that we have several tech persons and several Zoom accounts available to assist the day of for multiple classes being held at the same time.

Chorus Events – Please share with RMT so they can be promoted via emails/Facebook.

Sept 21 – Columbus Chorus Alumni Guest Night

Oct 6 – River Magic Open House

Oct 12 – Cincinnati Sound Open House

Oct 20 – Metro Nashville and River Magic Open House

ZOOM Mtgs – RMT Directors

Oct 10 – Treasurers ZOOM – Discussion on IRS and International Important Dates

### **COORDINATOR UPDATES** – Reports submitted have been uploaded to the region website

Membership Update – Marsha

Directors Update – Deb

Education Update - Kim

Communication Update – Jeanne

Marketing Update – Kristie

Events Update – Natalie

Team Update – Sue

Finance Update – Beverly

**REGION 4 CHORUS BUDDIES UPDATES** – None currently since just meet 1 month ago.

Kim – Cincinnati Sound, Capital City, K-Town Sound  
Natalie – Harmony Hills, Diamond Jubilee, Harmony Roses  
Deb – Unbridled Harmony, TuneTown, Friendship VII  
Marsha – Spirit of Evansville, Ohio Heartland, Scioto Valley  
Kristie – Metro Nashville, Pride of Kentucky, One Voice  
Beverly – Gem City, Almost Heaven, Columbus  
Jeanne – White River Sound, River Magic, Scenic City

**REGIONAL CALENDAR 2020/2021**

October 2020 SAI International Convention/Contest

Virtual Convention will be held Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

Virtual Coronet Club Show will be held Oct 24<sup>th</sup>. Free but must reserve spot.

More information being shared by SAI as it becomes available.

January 2021 Singing Summit

Will be a Virtual event...Working on details now.

April 2021 Regional Contest, Covington Ky

Waiting on formal direction from International.

**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 – TBD

**Accountability:** Sue Pelley (TC)