**RMT Report February 16, 2025 Kim Wonders, Education Coordinator**

* **Education Steering Team -** We met on Feb. 12 and discussed these topics;
* Singing Summit was a huge success! We discussed the survey results.
	+ **June Event 20 & 21, 2025 - Vickie Maybury**
		- I have emailed our International Bound Competitors and invited them to perform on the Saturday Night Show - Capital City Chorus, Cincinnati Sound Chorus, Presto & Tenacious. Presto has declined.
		- I have also invited Clever Girl to perform on the Saturday Night Show
		- I have emailed every chorus in the region inviting them to sing one song that weekend.
		- Friday Classes - I have reached out to Deb Bringman, Directors’ Coordinator and asked her for her input for the focus group for classes on Friday afternoon. She suggested either Front Line Directors only, or Front Line Directors & Assoc/assistant Directors. The ED Steering team would like to have the target group be Front-line Directors and Assoc./Ass’t Director
		- We will have the Leadership Development Program Graduation during the Saturday Night Show.
		- A Tentative Schedule for the event will be ready in the next two weeks.
	+ **Future Events**
		- Singing Summit January 23 & 24, 2026 - Erin Howden. I will send Erin the judges observations from this spring’s regional competition.
	+ **Future Events to consider**
		- June Event 2026 - Have a Kookie Quartet Contest on Friday Evening.
		- Quartet Workshop in 2027 with Lady A cappella. We are waiting on dates from International for 2027.
		- **Conflict Management Class for Directors** - We would like Vicki Petzko to present this class to our directors, virtually, in August. I have contacted Vicki and am waiting to hear back from her.
	+ All members of the Education Steering Team are going to continue in the 2025-2026 year.
* **Regional Competition 2025 -** We have 18 quartets registered to compete. All 15 of our choruses were registered to compete but Harmony Hills has with drawn from the competition.
	+ Harmony Hills Chorus has been dealing with a toxic environment in their chorus for quite some time and they dealt with it this week. I have suggested that they have Fran Furtner in to do goal setting with the chorus and I told them to request an International Visit for this. They have already used two International Funded Visits but in light of their current situation I believe it merits another IFV. Michael has contacted Fran.
* **Regional Leadership Program - Sue Pelley**
* **International Funded Visits -** 10 visits have been requested so far.
* **Board Buddy -** I have reached out to my chorus Buddy, Columbus Chorus but have not heard anything back.