

**AC&C Area 2 Council Meeting
April 24, 2003 @ Nashua, NH**

Area 2 Representative D. Dyer welcomed everyone to the meeting, and thanked them for being there early for the meeting.

Harmony Creed

D. introduced Sandra Dunlop our International President and welcomed her to our meeting. This was her first outing since her surgery. It was great having her back on her feet and with us.

D. also introduced her family, Husband Kerry and sons Christian and Andrew and thanked them for all their love and support over the last year and acknowledged that she couldn't have done the job without their support.

Roll

Area 2 Representative	Denise Dyer
Area 2 Advisor	Linda Muise
Area 2 Advisor	Patricia Sargent
Area 2 Secretary	Gayle Jordan
Area 2 Parliamentarian	Bette Nardelli
Area 2 C&J Chairman	Dianne Clark
Area 2 Treasurer	Cathy LaSalandra
Area 2 Membership	Aileen Murray
Area 2 Marketing/PR	Chris Kuntz
Area 2 Education	Linda Parviainen
Area 2 Borderlines	Diane Zanetti
Area 2 Quartet Promotion	Toni MacGregor
Area 2 Historian	Marj Gillis
Area 2 Director Network	Cathy DeCoste
Area 2 Development	Aileen Murray
Barre-Tones	Sandra Lewis, VP
Capital Chordettes	Aileen Murray, VP
Chair City Pipers	Lois Lundsted
Champlain Echoes	Gail Kirby
Harmony Heritage	Cathy LaSalandra
Maine-ly Harmony	Deborah Staples
	Carolyn Grey
	Julie Rand
New England Voices In Harmony	Chris Kuntz
Silk 'n Sounds	Ellie Tatro
Sounds of the Seacoast	Peggy Scott
Women of Note	Julie Schwingbeck

D. Dyer gave her report. In the interest of space her report was handed out and stated word for word. Anyone wishing a copy may ask the secretary. A report is on file.

A motion was made by Julie Schwingbeck to destroy the Ballots from the vote to separate the dinner from the all-events at area contest. It was seconded by Ellie Tatro. Motion Carried.

Report of Study & Review – Nothing to report at this time.

Report of Finance - Nothing to report at this time.

Area 2 Treasurer Cathy LaSalandra reported, as of today there are 510 members in area 2. Not counting 38 Associates and 2 Affiliates

A Treasurers report was passed out and is on file with the secretary.

D. reported and read thank you notes from Linda Muise, Karen Schutt, Kathy Greason and Linda Janes, for the funds they received from the area for the judging program.

Julie Schwingbeck reported for Women of Note on their ABC Day. She stated they should have a final report soon. They had a wonderful and full attendance along with great coaches. They wish to thank NEVIH and Noteable Blend for sending so many of their members. A great time was had by all.

Bulletin Editor Report

Diane stated that she has completed 3 publications and thanked everyone who sent her articles. May 15 is the next deadline. Please remember that one copy is sent to the president and she may make copies for her membership or send them to her membership via email. She also reported that a small profit has been made on the, Got Harmony buttons.

C&J Chairman Report

Dianne stated a big thank you to Sounds of the Seacoast for another great contest so far. You need to know that Greg and Tom are behind the scenes making her job much easier. Joan Noreau and Renee Misner are also helping behind the curtains.

Membership Development

Aileen is keeping close contact with everyone and is working with many prospective chapters. She will be going to see Cornwall soon. They are working to increase their membership. Green Mountain Sound is up & down with members. Crosstown Harmony has 25 steady members and is working toward chartering this year. They are taking part of coaching. Belview, Ontario is a site of a potential chorus started by some former Capital Chordettes. Aileen wished to make a recommendation that we have another membership/PR class at a future AC&C. This was received well before and she feels it would work well again for those who missed it.

Education

Linda reported two education opportunities this year. ABC Day by Women of Note had 6 queens in attendance for coaching and they were able to use the Harmony Queens travel fund for help. Volunteers are needed for 2003 and 2004. She is helping Joan Ross for certificates program.

Historian

Marj reported that the history book is almost complete, she is trying to obtain photos and working with photographer. She would like the funds to purchase a new book for \$30.00. The current book is full. She would add photos of the Area 2 reps to the book. She will research for past reps.

A motion was made by Lois Lundsted to purchase a new book for \$30.00. Motion seconded by Peggy Scott. Motion Carried.

Marketing/PR

Chris has a report on file with the secretary. She did report that Roger Lewis from the Society and Sandra Dunlop will be working together with the youth in our area.

Quartet Promotion

Toni has set up an email address for quartet dating service. She will be sending out flyers and would like to visit choruses. She wished to continue in this position. The address is: lwannaquartet2@aol.com.

Director Network

Cathy reported that there is no need for this position at this time. There are plenty of venues for information at this time.

Election

The position of the Area 2 Secretary and Area 2 Quartet Promotion are open for election at this time. Resumes were received from Gayle Jordan for Secretary and Toni MacGregor for Quartet Promotion. Being no others a Motion was made by Ellie Tatro to elect by acclamation Gayle Jordan for Secretary and Toni MacGregor for Quartet Promotion. The motion was seconded by Chris Kuntz. Motion Carried.

AC&C 2003 report

Linda Muise reported that 420 all-events were sold, and 35 student all-events ½ price. She stated it was great using the website for information and they did a great job updating it regularly. The hotel is fabulous. Photos are being developed on site. Quartets will be ready Saturday Morning and choruses Saturday Night. Betty Costellow of Harmony Heritage is not in attendance this year because of a fall. She has not missed a convention in 54 years. Please sign the banner in the hospitality room, which will be given to her from Area 2. Saturday Night Noteable Blend chapter and the first place chorus will perform. Also buddy choruses will get together and perform. Linda will assign rooms for Saturday night.

Bids AC&C

2004 – Montreal

2005 – please take to choruses

Bids ABC Day

2004 – 2006 please take to choruses and remember to schedule more than 30 days from contest or judges can't be used for coaching.

Agenda Item from the Barre-Tones will be discussed in August.

2004 International team report is on file and was handed out at meeting.

D. Dyer's report on International 2004 was also handed out at meeting and is on file.

Sandra Dunlop, International President had a few words for us about 2004. She stated that there is nothing we can do about the past, but D. has been clear with the IBOD about our issues. There is nothing that she has not communicated to the IBOD. We as an Area did vote to do this. She is being passionate in expressing our information to the IBOD. Other Areas are aware of our feeling and problems. International is looking into this and is relooking at the guides to make things easier. The 2004 committee will report at mid year. Meridy Thorn, Sarah Stone, Carol Bernhardt are members of this committee.

Area 2 thanks D. for being there for us!

The International vote for Bylaw changes. Some of the problems in our area were: A Classic Sound, missed the deadline. Silk'n Sounds, had missing ballots. Noteable Blend, was late. Harmony in Motion, was late. We need to make sure that we as Presidents

make sure that votes are taken and recorded and returned properly and on time. Everyone should have the opportunity to have their vote counted.

Peggy Scott from Sounds of the Seacoast and Gayle Jordan from Harmony Heritage will serve as the two Presidents on the finance committee for the coming year.

Linda Muise stated that the hotel was working on a sandwich concession for lunches this weekend.

The August council meeting will take place on August 8&9, in Windham, ME.

Meeting was ended with Cathy DeCoste directing the Harmony Theme Song.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gayle Jordan, Area 2 Secretary