

Area 2 Council Meeting
April 22, 2004
Montreal, Quebec

Harmony Creed – Led by Area 2 Representative D. Dyer

Introductions and Welcome – D. Dyer Introduced our International President Sandra Dunlop to the Area 2 Council. Sandra was there to lend her support for IC&C 2004 and to pass on some valuable information to our membership through the council.

Area Representatives report was given by D. Dyer and is on file with the Area 2 Secretary.

Roll Call

Area 2 Representative – D. Dyer
Area 2 Advisor Finance – Linda Muisse
Area 2 Advisor Study & Review – Gail Kelsall
Area 2 Parliamentarian – Marj Gillis
Area 2 Secretary – Gayle Jordan
Area 2 Treasurer – Cathy LaSalandra
Area 2 Borderlines Editor – Diane Zanetti
Area 2 ACJC – Dianne Clark
Area 2 Membership – Aileen Murray
Area 2 Historian – Marj Gillis
Area 2 Manual Chairman – Cathy DeCoste
Area 2 Public Relations – Chris Kuntz
Area 2 Quartet Promotion – Toni MacGregor
Area 2 Website – Linda Carter
Barre-Tones – Sandra Lewis
Cape Chordaires – Barbara McLellan
Capital Chordettes – Aileen Murray
Champlain Echoes – Susan Culbert
Harmony Heritage – Barbara-Ann MacIntosh
Maine-ly Harmony – Gerrie Doste
Montreal Chapter – Gail Kelsall
New England Voices In Harmony – Brenda Boutin
Silk ‘N Sounds – Carol Roberts
Sounds of the Seacoast – Susan Watterson
The Thousand Islanders – Marilyn Wallace
Women of Note – Marj Gillis
Guests
International President – Sandra Dunlop
International PR Coordinator – Carol Hollenbeck

Area Advisors Reports – Being no business outstanding in Finance and Study & Review, there are no reports at this time.

Treasurers Report- Cathy LaSalandra handed out her report with balances in US and Canadian accounts. She reported that 5 checks for \$100.00 each had been disbursed to Candidates of the Judging Program.

Linda Muise offered her thanks to Area 2 for the help. Aileen Murray also offered thanks for the Canadian Candidates.

Treasurer's report can be reviewed from your chapter president and is also on file with the Area 2 Secretary.

Education Day Reports – Marilyn Wallace reported for the ABC Day that The Thousand Islanders is hostessing. They will be in the budget process as soon as they return from AC&C.

HITS – Information on HITS will be in the Hospitality Room at this convention.

Area 2 Assistants Reports

Area 2 Borderlines Editor report is on file.

Area 2 Development Coordinator's report is on file.

Area 2 Historian's report is on file.

Area 2 Manual Coordinator's report – Cathy reported that the Area 2 Manual has been updated and is asking manual holders which version they need, either a hard copy, or downloadable version.

Area 2 PR report is on file.

Area 2 membership report is on file and also Aileen announced that the Capital Chordettes next show is October 30, 2004.

Area 2 Website Coordinator's report is on file.

Reports on IC&C 2004

Rochester visit

The site committee has visited the convention center and hotel and has a better idea of places to hold meetings and set up for the week. They will pass on info to those who will need info on places for meetings and registration and hospitality.

Brochures have been printed.

1200 Ditty Bags have been donated.

The hotel is the Riverside Clarion. Rooms are \$ 95.00.

All events passes will be \$ 95.00 each.

Registration will be separate from Hospitality.

Programs will be printed by Colonial Lithograph. This is the company Cathy LaSalandra works for and the programs will come in under the budgeted price. Thanks! Cathy!

Marj Gillis Registration is asking each chorus for items for the ditty bags. Whatever you can get. It can be in groups of any number. Please bring them to the summer council meeting or get them to Marj.

Cathy DeCoste is working with the hotel on a Dinner for Friday and Saturday evening. This will be separate from your all events pass. She will report as soon as she has information.

Contests report – Dianne Clark

The Thousand Islanders will hostess the quartets. Notable Blend, Chair City Pipers, Harmony In Motion, Crosstown Harmony, Silk'N Sound, New England Voices In Harmony will work with Dianne on Contest.

Meetings – Linda Muise

Charlene Sudore will help Linda with the IBOD members and the meetings prior to convention.

Charlene is part of Area 3 and will be close at hand for help to the IBOD.

Sounds of the Seacoast will be hostesses for the Judges.

Sandra Dunlop reminded us that every member of every chorus in Area 2 will not always be needed all the time. She wanted us to make that clear to all of our chorus members.

Autism Coordinator – Barbara-Ann MacIntosh

BAM let us know that she would like to have a Basket Raffle for part of our Autism Donation. Each chorus or Quartet can donate a Basket to be raffled.

Barbara-Ann also asked that she receive more information on her job description for IC&C. She needs to know her responsibilities.

Decorations – Julie Schwingbeck

Signage will play a very important role during the weekend. Go wild on Hospitality Room. Sandra reminded us also that we need contacts for everything that is happening. This way there is always an answer.

Treasurer- Cathy LaSalandra

It was decided that we would probably need at least 5 cash boxes for now maybe more. Chris Kuntz PR chairman asked is there was a budget for PR? The answer was \$200.00.

Secretary – Gayle Jordan

No Report at this time.

PR – Chris Kuntz

Chris stated she is working closely with Carol Hollenbeck who is the International PR Coordinator. They need info on prices of tickets for all the venues. Sandra Dunlop reported that all prices will be \$15.00 across the board.

Hospitality – Gail Kelsall

She has received some requests for tables. Please let her know if your chapter needs space.

D. Dyer has stated she will work on getting ads for the program. Please contact her if you can help or wish to place an ad.

Quartet hostesses can plan on 25 quartets.

Website Coordinator – Linda Carter

Linda is updating our site with info. All info will go through D. Dyer before it is added to the site. All info must be sent to D. then D will send it to Linda and will be on site within 48 hours.

Sandra Dunlop addressed the council.

Sandra updated us on the Keynote problems. This was a big way to get info to our membership. We need a new way to get info to all our members. Corporate mailings and such are not being conveyed to the members. Harmony Heritage is working on a buddy system to get information to all its members. This will help with those members not online. Capital Chordettes do this also. She asked that we pass on the info for our new venture, Florasong. This is a good way for our members to be involved.

Carol Hollenbeck suggested that a few minutes should be taken each week to update the chorus on Harmony, Inc. Assign someone to go to the websites and look each week for new information to pass on.

Elections

Treasurer – Cathy LaSalandra has applied for the position. BAM moved that nominations be closed. Seconded by Aileen Murray.

Historian – Marj Gillis has applied for the position. BAM moved that nominations be closed. Seconded by Sandra Vandetti.

Development Coordinator – Aileen Murray has applied for the position. Sandra Vandetti moved that nominations be closed. Seconded by Marj Gillis.

Public Relations – Chris Kuntz has applied for the position. Marj Gillis moved that nominations be closed. Seconded by Aileen Murray.

Education Coordinator – Linda Parviainen has applied for the position. Aileen Murray moved that nominations be closed. Seconded by Marilyn Wallace.

Website Coordinator – Linda Carter has applied for the position. BAM moved that nominations be closed. Seconded by Marj Gillis.

At this time the Area 2 Secretary was instructed to cast one vote for the entire election slate. One vote was cast.

Finance committee members

We asked for two volunteers from the council to serve on the finance committee for the coming year. Susan Watterson from the Sounds of the Seacoast and Sandy Lewis from the Barre-Tones have volunteered for the positions.

Bids for AC&C

2005 – Harmony Heritage has bid and has been accepted. The site will be the Crowne Plaza in Warwick, RI. The cost will be \$119.00 a night across the board. Tollgate High School will be the contest Site. The theme will be Harmony's Great in the Ocean State.

2006 – D. has asked for bids this could be in Canada.

Further Business

The discussion of divorcing the dinner from the all events pass has been done already and the answer can be found in the August minutes of 2002.

Barbara-Ann as Autism Coordinator has reported that she has received 5 Canadian and 32 US applications for the scholarship fund. That is quite a record.

The finance committee will meet on August 20, 2004, and the council meeting will be August 21, 2004 in Windham, ME. Overnight stays will be on first come first serve basis.

Harmony Theme Song was sung and directed by Barbara-Ann MacIntosh.