Area 2 Council Conference Call meeting September 23, 2010

Gail welcomed the Area 2 Presidents to our conference call. This meeting is to discuss and vote on our items that were recommended from the Finance Committee.

Present on call were:

Gail Kelsall - Area 2 Director

Heather Solomon – Finance

Aileen Murray – Study & Review, Membership& Development

Gayle Jordan – Secretary

Chris Kuntz – PR/Marketing

Capital Chordettes – Aileen Murray Delegate

Champlain Echoes – Sandra Venditti – President

Harmony Heritage – Barbara-Ann Mac Intosh President

Montreal City Voices - Heather Solomon - President

New England Voices In Harmony – Jackie White – President

Silk 'n Sounds – Sandy Anagnostakis President

Sounds of the Seacoast – Evelyn Colby – President

Women of Note – Angie Dolber – President

We reviewed and revisited the following items and here are the results.

Finance committee recommends giving \$6,000.00 to NEVIH to help defray the costs of All Events pass for AC&C 2011. These funds will come from the AC&C 2010 profit.

Motion made by Heather Solomon and seconded by Evelyn Colby. Motion Carried

Finance Committee recommends a \$25.00 Youth pass for AC&C 2011. This pass will be for any Student 23 years and under to attend Friday Craft Classes and Friday quartet contest only. Amount sold will be determined by the AC&C committee upon available space.

Motion made by Barbara-Ann Mac Intosh and seconded by Aileen Murray. Motion Carried.

Finance Committee recommends that \$1,200.00 be budgeted for the judge's fund. There are 9 judges in US and 3 in Canada. This money must be applied for by the judges and may be used at their discretion for judging education.

Motion made by Sandy Anagnostakis Seconded by Angie Dolber. Motion Carried.

Finance Committee recommends increasing our Teleconference budget to \$250.00. After realizing that we still have a line item for Area 2 Council meetings in the budget it was decided that we should combine the Area 2 Conf. Call budget and Area 2 Council line item and make on line item for Area 2 Meetings, and make that line item \$300.00.

Motion made by Barbara-Ann Mac Intosh and seconded by Sandy Anagnostakis. Motion Carried.

Finance Committee recommends increasing the line item for Website costs to \$200.00.

Our costs this past year were \$198.00. Our website manager is in process of finding cheaper space for our site. We feel at this time the \$200.00 will cover costs. If need be we can revisit for increase if needed.

Motion made by Evelyn Colby Seconded by Aileen Murray. Motion Carried.

Finance Committee recommends that we set aside \$1,500.00 for chapter education fund. This would be for Directors, Assistant Directors or member of music team for each chorus in area 2. This will include Chapman Mills our soon to be newest chapter in Area 2. They may apply when they become full chapter in Area 2.

This money must be applied for with the Area 2 Treasurer. They must attend all the classes at the educational opportunity and must share with their choruses the education they gained.

Motioned made by Barbara-Ann Mac Intosh Seconded by Aileen Murray. Motion Carried.

Finance Committee Recommends the expense of \$1,200.00 for the purchase of CD recording equipment for the recording of contestants at AC&C. While our recordings have been done each year on Cassettes this has become outdated process now. Bill Mac Intosh will be procuring the proper equipment needed for this job and hopes to have for AC&C 2011.

Motion Made by Barbara-Ann Mac Intosh seconded by Sandy Venditti. Motion Carried.

The Area 2 Council asked that the \$200.00 Lottery for membership be added to the budget.

Sister Chapters

Gail Kelsall has set up our Sister Chapters for the year. They will be:

Chapman Mills & Capital Chordettes & Barre-Tones.

Harmony Heritage & Maine-ly Harmony

Harmony In Motion & Silk'n Sounds

Montreal City Voices & The Thousand Islanders

Sounds of the Seacoast & Chair City Pipers

Champlain Echoes & New England Voices In Harmony

Women of Note & Noteable Blend

This doesn't mean that there can be no interaction between other chapters this is not our intent with sister chapters.

ABC Day Capital Chordettes

Capital Chordettes are looking for ward to their ABC Day. They currently have 120 registrations for the event. They will have some great classes taught by U4X and the Assistant director of Capital City Chorus, and many others. They have received some grants to help with their costs and have opened it up to other outside groups in Ottawa.

It was asked if we had any info on medals yet. Gail Kelsall reported not yet but will be contacting other areas soon for some info on costs.

Area 2 Council asks that the \$300.00 received from Harmony, Inc. for education be included as income in the budget.

Charity

On Aug 4, 2007 Area 2 decided that Autism would remain our Area 2 Charity. Chris Kuntz asked the council to consider changing this charity to Youth Outreach. We as an area have not donated the funds from AC&C to strictly Autism for last couple years. Each Chapter charity will remain the same we are just asking that Area 2 charity be changed. This will allow for funds to help with youth within our area for educational opportunities such as Harmony Explosion Camp.

The Area 2 Council feels it's time to revisit with Chapters the choice of charity for Area 2. This would be the time to change so that it can be included as part of our Area 2 manual changes also being done at this time.

Gail Kelsall will send to Presidents a letter to discuss this with their chapters and the due date for results. We will then have a motion and vote on this issue.

Gail Kelsall asked that we get more of Area 2 members involved in the Harmony Explosion Camp and make more of a show of support. Jillian Cooper will be asked for her involvement in this. Sandy Anagnostakis will send a copy of an article that was written and printed about the Explosion Camp and their involvement.

Heather Solomon motioned we adjourn and seconded by Evelyn Colby. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Gayle Jordan Area 2 Secretary