

**Area 2 Council Meeting**  
**May 12, 2011**

Meeting opened with the Harmony Creed

Roll Call

Area 2 Director- Gail Kelsall  
Area 2 Advisor Finance – Heather Solomon  
Area 2 Advisor Study & Review – Aileen Murray  
Area 2 Secretary – Gayle Jordan  
Area 2 Treasurer – Cathy La Salandra  
Area 2 PR/ Marketing – Chris Kuntz  
Area 2 Borderlines – Julie Schwingbeck  
Area 2 Quartet Promotions – Maria Gabriella  
Area 2 Education Coordinator – Linda Janes  
Area 2 Website Coordinator – Cathy DeCoste  
Area 2 Historian – Gayle Jordan  
Area 2 Manual Chairman – Marj Andrew  
Area 2 Parliamentarian- Marj Andrew  
Barre-Tones, Inc. – Barbara Ladabouche  
Capital Chordettes – Carol Anne Clarke  
Chair City Pipers – Lois Lundsted  
Champlain Echoes – Janet Finn  
Chapman Mills Sound Connection – Stephanie Williams  
Harmony Heritage – Barbara-Ann Mac Intosh  
Maine-ly Harmony – Lea Davis  
Montreal City Voices- Carole Mercier  
New England Voices In Harmony- Kate Steer  
Noteable Blend – Amy Harker – Alternate  
Silk’n Sounds – Sandy Anagnostakis  
Sounds of the Seacoast – Evelyn Colby  
The Thousand Islanders – Debbie Gay  
Women of Note – Angie Dolber  
Guests  
Diane Coates - AC&C Chairman 2011  
Jan Delvecchio- IBOD representative

Gail welcomed everyone to AC&C and to our council meeting. She introduced Jan Delvecchio to our meeting as the visiting IBOD member to our convention. Jan thanked us for our warm hospitality and for all of our hard work on the Area 2 council and for Harmony, Inc.

Diane Coates welcomed everyone to AC&C Paint the Town Purple. She noted that an overflow hotel was needed and will have free shuttle service.

She let us know that 379 AEP have been purchased with 41 NEVIH and 11 youth members.

Everything is in place visit the Hospitality room and browse or just enjoy each others company.

**Treasurer's Report** was reviewed by council. One point was that \$1021.41 was spent for the recording equipment for Area 2. \$1200.00 was allotted for this expense.

Barbara-Ann moved that we accept the treasurer's report Janet Finn Seconded. Motion Carried

### **Study & Review**

Medals – Aileen reported that Barbara-Ann had found us some medals. We will be presenting the First Place Chorus and First place Quartet this year. In August we will review as to whether to continue with these medals or change the medal type and how many we present.

A card was read from D.Dyer our International President . D was unable to attend AC&C this year and wished everyone a great contest.

### **Borderlines**

Julie asked to make sure we want to continue with borderlines. It has been small in amount of information. She asked that all presidents go back to their choruses and encourage someone to do some writing for their chorus and send articles, pictures, etc to add to our borderlines publication.

### **PR/ Marketing**

Chris reported that there is a Find Your Voice Class this weekend which will aid in learning how to use the templates provided online. Wendy McCoolle is working on getting these and more on the new Harmony, Inc. website which offers quite a bit of info for Find Your Voice please look into this and use them. There are many different styles to choose from that will fit your needs. Also Jan Delvecchio has revamped the Discover Harmony Kit. Chris would like to have some time at our summer meeting for some group work on Find your Voice.

### **Membership Development**

Aileen Reported that each chorus has had some new members this year. There will be another winner of this years contest for membership drawn on Saturday at Banquet.

Chris and Aileen are recommending another contest for membership this year. Carole Anne Clarke motioned that we have another contest this year and Barbara-Ann seconded. Motion Carried.

### **Education Coordinator**

Linda Janes reported that a great time was had by Capital Chordettes and the members that attended the education day hosted by them. We need to have more of these in different areas.

Linda would like to formalize a connection to, Mountain Division School in Montreal held in February and the Harmony College Northeast in Worchester in July. We need more involvement in these education events.

Linda also asked if we still have a youth outreach coordinator or not and wanted information on her roll in youth outreach. It was stated that Jillian Cooper is stepping down from her roll as youth outreach coordinator. Linda has not had any information about the Harmony Explosion Camp and noted there is a class on Friday with BHS members that she can make some contact with for Area 2.

Barbara-Ann moved that Linda Janes become the new youth outreach coordinator and involve us with the Harmony Explosion Camp. Barbara Ladabouche seconded. Motion Carried.

We will be receiving \$1000.00 from International for Area Education and \$1000.00 for Area Youth Outreach.

Linda will write a formal proposal for Harmony Explosion camp and she proposes that Area 2 Council set aside \$500.00 for her to use if appropriate at the Mountain Division School in February in Montreal. She feels having some donation money could help our cause and get us more involved.

Kate Steer motioned that Area 2 Authorize up to \$500.00 be set aside to be used to become a more active participant for the Great Northern Harmony workshop for 2012 to be held in second week of February. Janet Finn seconded. Motion Carried.

Maine-ly Harmony has submitted a proposal for use of the youth outreach funds available from International for Area 2. They have started a program in the Cony High School in Augusta, ME and have been working on this already. The goal is to introduce students in grades 7-12 to barbershop and teach at least 3 songs to be followed by a school assembly and show with Maine-ly Harmony. They are in need of funds for this program to purchase music, learning cds, licensing, and t-shirts for costumes. They are asking for \$887.75 to fund this program.

Barbara-Ann motioned that Area 2 give Maine-ly Harmony \$887.75 out of the \$1000.00 we will receive from International for Youth Outreach. Angie Dolber seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

### **Historian**

Gayle reported that there isn't much action in this position but she does hold all the Area 2 retired trophies and a history book.

### **Manual Chairman**

Marj reported that the manual is being updated and worked on at this time. Changes will be made to the Area 2 website as they are done.

### **Website**

Cathy reported that she welcomes any additions and changes as needed to the website just contact her with the information.

### **Elections**

The following officers were elected by acclamation.

Treasurer – Gayle Jordan

Secretary – Marj Andrew

Borderlines – Julie Schwingbeck  
Membership – Aileen Murray  
Quartet Promotion – Maria Gabriella  
Manual Chairman – Diane Coates

The two Chapter Presidents who will serve the coming year on Finance committee are: Angie Dolber Women of note and Evelyn Colby Sounds of the Seacoast. Thank you ladies for volunteering to serve.

The two Chapter Presidents who will serve the coming year as assistants to the Study & Review committee are: Barbara Ladabouche Barre-Tones, and Stephanie Williams Chapman Mills Sound Connection. Thank you ladies for volunteering to serve.

AC&C 2012 – Montreal City Voices – Tiki Party  
2013 – WON  
2014 – Sounds of the Seacoast – Portland  
2015 – Harmony Heritage- Warwick RI Kate Steer Motioned to accept harmony Heritages bid. Evelyn Colby seconded. Motion carried.  
2016- We needed to pick a new date because of Jewish holiday. Lois Lundsted motioned that we choose May 6-8. Amy Harker seconded. Motion Carried.

NH Category school ACJC Network Training 2012 Fri – sun Feb 23-26.

Barbara-Ann motioned that we start our Area 2 Council meetings at AC&C at 7pm rather than 7:30pm. Carol Anne Clarke seconded. Motion Carried.

Gail will have some certificates to award on Saturday evening.

Area 2 Dues now stand at \$4 US and \$6 Cnd. It has been suggested that we equalize and make them \$5 for both or drop CND to \$4 per member.  
Carol Anne Clarke motioned that we make the Area 2 Dues \$4.00 across the Board for both US and CND members. Carole Mercier seconded Motion Carried.

Capital Chordettes have proposed that any money raised for youth outreach be placed in a General Fund in Area 2 for all to draw from if needed.

We will send this proposal to Study& Review to come up with some information for the aug meeting as to how this would or could be handled with some admistration guidelines.

It was proposed that we try to have a face to face aug meeting this year in place of conference call. There were not many available for Aug so it was stated to please look over your calendars for Sept or Oct also and we will discuss more online.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted for the last time.

Gayle Jordan, Area 2 Secretary