



TEAM LEADERS/PRESIDENTS GATHERING

Saturday, July 11th, 2020

Agenda

1. Welcome / Introductions
2. Follow-ups from last (6/13) meeting ([Click here](#) for the information sent 6/29.)
3. Around-the-room: Challenges & Successes
4. How can the RMT help?
5. June IBOD announcement: [Click here](#)
6. Upcoming regional activities

Attendees

Sue Melvin – Team Coordinator Region 16 RMT, Limestone City Voices

Christine Yorke – Membership Coordinator Region 16 RMT, Circle of Harmony Chorus

Marcia Ten Eyck – Acapella North Chorus

Jackie Brimblecombe – Northumberland Chorus

Suzanne Askin – North Metro Chorus

Jenny Omdal – Bay of Quinte Chorus

Jacqui Barron – Communications Coordinator Region 16 RMT, North Metro Chorus

Successful Strategies for Member Engagement

- Divided chorus up and assigned to a board member. Each board member calls them on the phone for a personal check-in
- Fun Friday – Socially distanced get together at a member's house
- Director set up a challenge with examples of different activities that members could do to improve in each of the four judging categories
- Accepting that some members will not be comfortable or enjoy meeting on Zoom and validating that so they don't feel the need to quit because they aren't participating
- Variety, holding different activities on Zoom – Yoga, music theory, PVIs, etc
- Director called every member
- Board sent cards to everyone living alone
- Calling people to ask them to help with a specific activity rather than asking for volunteers via email
- Potluck with the chorus via porch drop



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Other Concerns and Suggestions

- Getting everyone aligned with the director's vision
 - Core Values session recommended to gain alignment.
- Justifying collection of chorus dues
 - Board worked through their concerns and then developed a letter that was sent to the entire chorus before requesting dues payment.

Where Can The Region Help?

- No specific requests were made. Choruses can reach out directly to Sue (teamcoordinator@saregion16.com) or Christine (member@saregion16.com) any time

Diversity & Inclusion within Sweet Adelines

- Reminder to review the communication from International and look for additional resources in August.
- Northumberland Chorus spent a rehearsal creating their statement regarding inclusion and has posted it on their website.

A follow-up session will be scheduled in September.