

# Regional Management Team Meeting Summary

October 27, 2007

## Shirley gave a recap of the Sweet Adelines International meeting held in Calgary

- There is now a DVD available from International on Sweet Adelines for PR use
- There will be a new plan with regard to fast tracking a chorus into the organization if they appear to be knowledgeable. The Steps Program is being updated.
- Faculty training will be available in 2010 at area schools.
- Starting 2009 schools will be for directors and judges. Some of these will be bi-annually and others will be semi-annually.
- The Showmanship category will be more relaxed and props will be allowed.
- The Tuesday evening Showcase will be replaced Harmony Classic and the admission will be included in the convention registration package. The Rising Star Contest will be on Saturday morning and the admission will not included with the convention registration.
- There will be an RMT education class on the Monday
- Twin Cities and the two quartets ICE! & Chord Company did us proud.
- Our sign on the big screen was shown a number of times and was awesome.

## Assessment of the Fall Weekend

- Liked learning both National Anthems
- “Take A Leap”...this “out of the box” seminar was just the right thing
- There were 18 PVI’s given
- Friday night breakout classes were well received
- CLEF meeting went very well and could have had a longer time frame. Those present thought it was a good session to have more frequently. Nine chorus representatives were in attendance
- RAMM meeting being brought back was a great idea, and a few people came forward afterwards to offer their assistance to the team
- Great facility and great food
- Status of attendance at Fall Weekend:
  - Representatives from 16 choruses
  - Granite City Sound received recognition on Friday night for having the most members there; 67% of their members present (*and in good standing* – oh my, I have been reviewing chapter standing rules way to much!)
- The Region is looking at marketing, creating non-dues revenue, X-stands which can be customized for choruses and organizations.
- The “Chapter Visit” program again shows to be of value to chapters as 17 of 20 chapters are already scheduled.
- Retta is looking for volunteers for each of the upcoming scheduled events
- Girl Scout Days are schedule for:
  - **February 23,2008** Marlys volunteered to chair the February 23<sup>rd</sup> date
  - **November 17, 2007** with Sandy Bergerson coordinating the event.
- **March 7-8, 2008** - Regional Faculty Training.
- **June 28, 2008** - Director’s Development Day, Sharon Babb will be the facilitator. This day will be directed to frontline directors and one guest. There will be a Leadership day planned
- **September 26-27 2008** - Fall weekend with Nancy Field.
- March 2009 - Regional Faculty Training

- June 2009 - Camp Rainbow will return... dates and location to be determined
- Nominating Committee members: Bev Swanson, Vonnie Ottem and Eureka Sorenson. Six applications were received by the deadline date ; 2 for Education Coordinator position, 2 for Events Coordinator, 1 for Marketing Coordinator position, 1 for Membership Coordinator
- **April 10-13, 2008** - Regional Convention is in the Ramada Inn in Fargo, with overflow staying at the Holiday Inn. Judges are: Shirley Kout, Jean Flinn, Vickie Maybury and Peggy Gram. Peggy Syndon is the Secretary
- Joanne is developing an Interest Survey to find hidden talent in the Region; this will be on the region website
- The new regional website should be up and running by the first of the year
- The current financial status of the region is healthy
- Marlys will develop a Coordinators Assistants program including parameters for reimbursements
- Marla will research various avenues for obtaining grant money
- Marla will be Implementing Team 6 and Member newsletter
- Region 6 Member Recognition week and give some suggestions as to how to celebrate this
- Chorus anniversary dates will be included in the Regional Measures
- Spirit of Harmony Chorus has been invited to 2008 IES