

RMT Meeting April 23, 2008

DoubleTree Hotel, Room 423, Spokane, Washington 10:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Chera Boom

Purpose: Tie vote within the region for election of Regional Membership Manager.

It is acknowledged that, due to incorrect chorus leader contact information, the original email notification did not reach all choruses in a timely fashion. Janice, with the help of Gayle phoning some of her contacts, did everything they both could to ensure that all choruses were eventually notified. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the leaders of each chorus to notify the Region (and International) of new contact information. One chorus did not vote, and the tie remains.

According to the RMT Handbook, it is therefore the responsibility of the RMT to make a choice between the two highly qualified and dedicated nominees.

Discussion ensued related to ways to differentiate between the nominees. All RMT members had opportunity to express opinions on the candidates. Agreement among members was that this is an extremely difficult decision, and we will try to assure that the unelected nominee are afforded an opportunity to work with the elected Membership Manager and/or run for an alternate position on the RMT at its next election cycle.

Consensus was reached that Cris Turner will be named Membership Manager. Janice will notify both nominees before the Regional Annual Meeting Thursday evening, April 24, where the results will be announced. Susan has written an article on the underlying topic of communication and the responsibilities of chorus leaders to keep appropriate entities informed of changes to contact information. The RMT approves that Susan's article will be sent to every regional member via email after regional contest.

Additional Topic: Susan brought up a challenge with regard to the webcast. Evergreen District, through Adrian Leontovich, brought her a proposal to charge more than \$15 for the archived webcast. Evergreen's original "pot" of webstreaming time is being depleted faster than anticipated, and they must purchase more streaming capability.

Susan proposed an alternative to EVG: Evergreen collect ALL fees, to be kept at \$15 for the entire broadcast, pay all expenses and keep all proceeds. (Originally, there was a percentage of proceeds for EVG and R13 shared.) EVG agreed to the proposal.

Susan wished to obtain approval of the RMT for this change before authorizing any changes.

Consensus was reached that the RMT approves the recommendation. All webcast expenses and all proceeds should accrue only to EVG. Sue Middleton and Adrian are authorized to make that happen on the setup page of the Region 13 website. No explanation be made to regional members because it is a technology change that happens behind the scenes. The fee for the archived webcast remains \$15.

Additionally, Janice will write EVG a check for the one "ticket" already purchased by Sue as a test of the system.

Meeting adjourned.