Spirit's Call Choir – Member Survey May 2002

To obtain full information from choir members about their satisfaction with the choir's evolution to date and ideas for future development, a choir member survey was conducted in May 2002. The survey was developed, piloted, distributed and tabulated by Margaret Tobin. The results were analyzed and summarized by Margaret Tobin and Ingrid Toews. A summary of the results follows here.

In general, members indicated satisfaction with the direction the choir is going and enthusiasm for continued involvement.

Survey Return rate:

Over 50% return rate. This is quite good, since the average for surveys is 40%

Attendance:

- Members appreciate that attendance is flexible, and attend whenever they can.

Expenses:

- Members, for the most part, are willing to contribute a toonie for each singing gathering, even if they do not attend.

- We could have a season fee but it would need to be lower than \$40 for September to December, if we only meet for singing gatherings twice a month.

Gig, Potluck and Summer Solstice Celebration on June 23rd:

- Members wanted to participate in the gig on June 23rd. Most of the survey respondents could attend 2 out of 3 practices to get ready for the gig. - Members indicated satisfaction with the songs suggested for the gig.

- Members wanted to participate in the La Barriere Park events

Singing gatherings:

- Members want to continue learning to sing in harmony and pursue new learning.

- Many members prefer learning new songs by ear rather that by music. Some like learning songs both by ear and by reading music. Some who have not had the opportunity to learn to music before are interested in developing that ability.

- The level of the songs we sing is appropriate

- For the most part, all the timing of activities in the singing gatherings is appropriate.

Meeting times:

- Members preferred continuing to meet on Sunday afternoons for Singing Gatherings.

- Members preferred continuing to meet about twice a month.

- Members preferred to take the summer off and not meet in July and August

Supporting Global Harmony

(Spirit's Call Choir's vision is to support personal, choral and global harmony)

- Members indicated interest in continuing to plan fundraisers and participate in gigs to support community and global harmony