

Swing 'n' Country Board Meeting

March 27, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Present: Don Moeller, Rich Cooper, Ingrid Dubman, Leah Noparstak, Gary LaForte, and Karen Saunders

Absent: Holly Hayek, Jerry Kieras, Tom Kostoff, Deborah Sitter, and Alisa Winkler

Mission Statement was read by Karen Saunders.

Member Presentations

- ❖ None

President's Report

- ❖ An annual report will be made available to members at the April dances (2 copies).
 - Leah to write verbiage for Happenings
 - Members in good standing
 - Viewing at the Registration Desk only
- ❖ A blurb for Happenings and the website will be written by Don regarding the non-election.
- ❖ The new board will have its meetings on Monday's (Gary to look into whether or not he can adjust his lesson nights) to accommodate new members' schedules.

Treasurer's Report

- ❖ The February report is still being reconciled due to the exceptions that occurred at Dance Camp Chicago. Leah and Rich to get together asap to pound out all of the issues so we can come to a balance with World Dance Registry.
- ❖ The March report will also be late due to February.

Secretary's Report

- ❖ Leah moved/Karen seconded that we accept the report as corrected. Vote to be taken via email due to lack of quorum.

Committee Reports

Dance Camp Chicago

- ❖ Leah reported that the debrief went well and that we will soon begin planning for 2013 – 15th Anniversary.
- ❖ Rich is going to double check exactly how much our loss was in year 11 (2009).

Happenings

- ❖ Needed for membership news by April 1 is an updated photo of the new board and their responsibilities...new board photo to be taken at the 2nd April dance (due to the fact that the 1st dance is also Good Friday as well as the first night of Passover). All to wear the black Dance Camp Chicago polos (since everyone has them – Angei and Soleman will need theirs updated with logo and name afterwards).

Operations

- ❖ Rich still looking into the price difference for the larger storage locker.
- ❖ Marcia Emmett is donating the cake for our Birthday Dance in return she will receive free entry into the dance and acknowledgement in Happenings and at the dance.

- ❖ Leah to bring her extra external hard drive to the next dance to see if it is compatible with the club's computer...for the @30 GB of photos that Roger wants to download.
- ❖ Rich to look into the price of a new laptop for the Treasurer position (as well as Microsoft Office suite and Quickbooks). Rich's personal computer is too old to be able to handle a newer version of Quickbooks (or ANY of the current reports).
- ❖ April staffing was looked at and we believe that we will have enough people to work the first dance.
- ❖ Action report will be looked at as needed. However, as people complete their tasks they need to let Deb know so that she may mark the item completed.

Marketing

- ❖ Last flyer has been sent to Jerry with the flyers from Sept 2011 to May 2012 going to Roger Peterson.
- ❖ Facebook group has grown to 205. We started with 70 some odd people. The additional advertisement of the Facebook group on the website and in the emails seems to have been a great help.
- ❖ Angei Kostoff is willing to be our new Marketing Chairperson and will take over flyer design and Facebook advertising.

Education

- ❖ We are all set for the rest of the year – nothing new to report

Hospitality

March 3 rd Dance	81 attendees	Expenses = \$43.08	Cost/person = \$.53
March 16 th Dance	75 attendees	Expenses = \$67.86	Cost/person = \$.90
Total Expenses for month = \$110.94			
Average Cost Per Person for March = \$.71			

Website/Archive

- ❖ Most recent web site update was March 18, 2012.
- ❖ **Lesson Dates and Instructors:** The "schedule" page is complete through the end of 2012. The "main" page is up to date through June 2012. I have the information needed to update through the end of the year but typically don't post until a few months in advance. Please check both pages for accuracy. I am now posting the DJ's for the dances as some folks really like some DJs and not others.
- ❖ **Happenings Posting:** Up to date through March 2012
- ❖ **Board Meeting Minutes:** Up to date through the January 18 meeting.
- ❖ Everyone needs to look at the website to see if they think we need to look into changing the "purpleness" of it.
 - Gary has pre-voted that he thinks it is okay.
- ❖ The club Archive is pretty much up to date. Roger would like to transfer a complete copy (including photos) to the club computer some time soon. This could be 30 GB or so.

Membership

- ❖ Membership report to be adjusted by Ingrid and Don and updated for the agenda/minutes.

Music

- ❖ Leah to send to Gary all DJ paperwork (Guidelines, BPM's and rotation)
- ❖ Don to talk to Don S. regarding auditioning for DJ for SNC
- ❖ Gary to talk to Jeff P. regarding auditioning for DJ for SNC

Volunteers

- ❖ The Volunteer Committee has a new person added to the list, now totaling 12!

For the Good of the Club

❖ None

Next meeting is Monday, April, 23rd, 2012

Adjournment

Rich moved and Gary 2nd - Meeting was adjourned at 8:43p.m. ☺ However, Leah, Ingrid and Karen stayed to see who got voted off Dancing with the Stars.

Respectively submitted - Leah R. Noparstak (substitute Secretary)