

# Swing 'n' Country Board Meeting

August 13, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Jerry Kieras, Don Moeller, Rich Cooper, Deborah Sitter, Ingrid Dubman, Leah Noparstak, and Gary LaForte,

Absent: Karen Saunders, Soleman Krebs and Angela Kostoff

- ❖ Mission Statement was read by Don Moeller.

Email Motions

- ❖ On Friday, June 29, 2012, Karen moved/Suzanne seconded that we use Ingrid's suggestion to invite the couples that are competing at Chicagoland to perform at our Friday night dance on August 3, 2012.  
**Motion passed.**

## Member Presentations

- ❖ None

## President's Report

- ❖ **Don** has the banners for Chicagoland and will bring them on Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup> for set-up.
- ❖ Don feels that the 10 x 15 storage locker is a better option for the club. **He** hopes to take care of this while he is still on summer hours.
- ❖ Once September arrives, Don is hoping committee **chair persons** will get back on track and submit monthly reports to him for our meeting. It is also important that **all board members** sign up on the schedule in a timely manner for helping at the dances and Wednesday night lessons.

## Treasurer's Report

- ❖ Gary moved/Jerry seconded that we accept the May and June reports. Vote was unanimous. **Motion passed.**
- ❖ **All committee chair persons** need to prepare their budgets and present them at the September board meeting.

## Secretary's Report

- ❖ Leah moved/Jerry seconded that we accept the report. Vote was unanimous. **Motion passed.**

## Committee Reports

### Dance Camp Chicago

- ❖ The flyer is almost ready, with a goal to bring the b/w copies to Chicagoland.
- ❖ No meeting was held in August due to Chicagoland.
- ❖ It will be our 15<sup>th</sup> year anniversary in 2013. We will have a commemorative cake.

- ❖ 90% of our evening competition has been moved to the day time. There will be 30 plus hours of social dancing and 25 or more workshops.
- ❖ The staff has been selected as follows: Ronnie DeBenedetta, Kristin & Monty Ham, Jason Barnes, Don Macdonald, Julie Hein, Dawn Lara, Maren Oslac, Jeff Sanchez, Jason and Annmarie Marker and Soleman Krebs

### **Operations**

- ❖ The website has been updated with current information regarding the committees. We will need to discuss the vacancy in Marketing soon as Angei will be moving.
- ❖ We discussed the possibility of setting up downstairs in September for the 1<sup>st</sup> and maybe 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday night lessons, along with the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday night dance, due to the complexity of collecting annual dues and lesson costs. It was suggested to use 2 laptops and have 3 people at the table.
- ❖ Leah will ask Roger if he feels he needs a volunteer to assist him with the duplicating of cds.

### **Education**

- ❖ Discussion was held regarding the bonus received by the instructor at the end of the month for Wednesday night lessons. Due to the lack of financial strength of the club, we will continue the discussion of modifying it or eliminating it at our next board meeting.
- ❖ Leah will email to all board members the list of approved teachers for SWC.
- ❖ Although attendance was down for the Ice Cream Social, we had a successful event and enjoyed the previews of all four (4) couples.
- ❖ Ingrid has 14-16 instructors for MEET THE TEACHERS EVENT on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. The committee will get the flyer ready.
- ❖ The committee will meet next week to work on next year's instructors and dances.

### **Music**

- ❖ Gary will email to all board members the DJ schedule.

### **Volunteers**

- ❖ We want to make sure that those who volunteer receive their points at the end of the evening.

### **Dance Angels**

- ❖ Dance angels are on hiatus for now.

### **Special Events**

- ❖ The committee for the Holiday Party is Leah, Ingrid, Julie and Tobi. It will be held on Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Gary will ask Ken to be the DJ.

### **For the Good of the Club**

- ❖ Don will get with Angei to see if she can do a recap on the numbers in the survey for the membership.

Next meeting is September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

### **Adjournment**

Jerry moved/Rich seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 10:00 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Deborah E. Sitter