

Swing 'n' Country Board Meeting

May 20, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

Present: Jerry Kieras, Deborah Sitter, Ingrid Dubman, Leah Noparstak, Marcia Emmett, Susie Kaplan, Reike Moskal and Gary LaForte.

Absent: Rich Cooper and Don Moeller

Email Motions:

- ❖ On May 15, 2013, Susie Kaplan motioned/Leah seconded that SNC hold a 50/50 raffle at our June dance. **Motion passed.** 6 Yes votes, 3 abstained.

Mission Statement was read by Marcia Emmett.

Member Presentations

- ❖ April suggested SWC create a stronger presence on Facebook. We should all add our friends and email them about the upcoming events at SWC.
- ❖ **April** will post information about our dances and lessons on WCS Chicago' website.
- ❖ **Leah** will check with Judi to find out the deadlines for input to Happenings and Happenings' Reminders.
- ❖ **April** will talk to Matt Cotherman about Facebook postings.
- ❖ **Leah** will send logo to April for Facebook.

President's Report

- ❖ Jerry wants **all board members** to include responses to our action items on our email reports.
- ❖ There are insufficient funds collectively from January thru May to consider holding a second dance.

Treasurer's Report

- ❖ Leah has reviewed the books and does not find the discrepancies as Rich describes.
- ❖ **Gary** will contact Rich to offer assistance with the books.

Secretary's Report

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

Committee Reports

Hospitality

<u>HOSPITALITY REPORT</u>			
May 3, 2013	89 Attendees	\$68.75 Spent	\$.77 Per Person

- ❖ We are going to try implementing a "Donations" bowl on our Hospitality table.
- ❖ Many thanks to Carey Schug for donating a bowl filled with scrumptious strawberries at our last dance!

- ❖ Discussion was held regarding the manner of reporting dollars spent for Hospitality and the dollar amount spent per person. Marcia feels this calculation is inaccurate and will look at possibly amending the report.

Dance Camp Chicago

- ❖ Tobi and Leah are putting together a list of instructors for next years' Dance Camp event to bring to the DC committee for approval.

Operations

- ❖ A member of our club suggested we try a 50/50 drawing fundraiser. A motion was made thru email. (See Email Motions). Ingrid will check the suitcase to see if we have tickets. They will be sold @ \$1.00 a piece, along with 6 for \$5.00 and 12 for \$10.00. Susie and Marcia will sell them at the dance while Leah and Jerry will man the desk.

Happenings

- ❖ Status remains the same as of the April 2013 report.

Marketing

- ❖ Leah will contact Judi for the three (3) month calendar and Don will print them.
- ❖ Danzapalooza Event Memorial Week-end:
 1. Leah created a ¼ page coupon to be placed in the Danzapalooza Program Book. The coupon allows non-members to receive a discount at a future dance this year.
 2. We will display SNC and DCC banners at the event.
 3. We will be put on their dance calendar along with having a possible display of a photo program.
 4. Leah will make a "save the date" flyer regarding DCC with an early announcement about the "Meet the Teachers in September". Both can be used as hand-outs.
 5. Reike and Marcia will take the banners and flyers to Danzapalooza on Thursday night.
 6. We are supplying "Dance Angels" on Saturday night. They will receive discounted entry fees. Thanks to: Ingrid Dubman, Karen Saunders, Marcia Emmett, Susie Kaplan, Jerry Kieras and Jon Serletic..

Education

- ❖ May lessons with Hania are going very well! She is doing a great job teaching the Waltz.
- ❖ Ingrid held a training session at her house on May 5th, 2013 with Susie Kaplan, Reike Moskal and Marcia Emmett in attendance. Thank you ladies! Marcia in turn handled the desk on the following Wednesday, May 8th almost all by herself and balanced at the end of the evening! Way to go Marcia!
- ❖ The Committee will get together in June to start the next year's calendar. The board needs to approve the dates first. Ingrid will email the dates to the board.

Website Report

- ❖ Susie will contact Roger to get him to change the time for summer dances on the website from 9 to 8 p.m.

Music

- ❖ Several members and non-members complimented our DJ Ken on a fabulous job well done! They liked the music rotation which consisted of a good mix of old and new songs and a good mix of dances.
- ❖ DJ's have been scheduled for the rest of the 2013.

Life Membership Committee

- ❖ Leah passed our Life Membership guidelines for the board to read for our next meeting.

Volunteers

- ❖ Status remains the same as of our April 2013.

Dance Angels/Cards

- ❖ Due to the low participation with the Dance Cards (6)at our last dance, Gary made a motion/Jerry seconded that we discontinue using the cards on a regular basis. **Motion Passed.**
- ❖ After receiving feedback from people regarding Dance Angels, **Susie** plans on revamping the previous Dance Angel program and presenting a new one to the board in the near future.

Membership

- ❖ Our total membership to date is 232 people which includes two (2) new members and four (4) renewals.

For the Good of the Club

Next meeting is June 17th, with the next four (4) meetings being July 22nd, August 12th, September 23rd, and October 21st 2013..

Adjournment

Marcia moved and Gary seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 10:05 p.m.. Vote was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Respectively submitted,

Deborah E. Sitter