

Swing 'n' Country Board Meeting

November 11, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m..

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

Absent: Don Moeller, Susie Kaplan, and Rich Cooper

Mission Statement was read by Leah Noparstak.

Member Presentations

- ❖ None

President's Report

- ❖ As of November 1st, all of the Vice President's responsibilities should be transferred to our new VP Rich Cooper, which includes spreadsheets, staffing, equipment maintenance and facilities.

Treasurer's Report

- ❖ No October report.

Secretary's Report

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

Committee Reports

HospitalityAt our October 18th dance, we had 106 in attendance. Our donation jar received \$26.00 which will supply the food for our November 2nd dance. The expense of \$37.41 is for our supply of mints that we keep out on the table at all times.

- ❖ At our November 2nd dance, we received \$20.00 in our donation jar. Carey Schug has again donated to our food table pears from his own pear tree plus a raspberry yogurt dip. Thank you Carey!

Dance Camp Chicago

- ❖ I have pulled the data regarding how many non-member week-end passes have been sold. That number is 147. My estimated budget is accurate at 12 less than last years' sold.
- ❖ We sold 80 member week-end passes last year.

Education

- ❖ Ingrid has completed the 2014 lesson schedule and given it to the board. She has sent a copy to Judi and Roger for publication. She has a verbal ok from Brittney Bartler and Don Leynes for April and May of 2014 and is waiting for a signed contract from them. January and February are all set.
- ❖ Hustle lessons have gone well but we are low in attendance and need followers.

Music

- ❖ We now have all three (3) donated emergency disks of music.
- ❖ We have received great comments about the music.

Life Membership Committee

- ❖ The life membership process will be on the agenda at the August board meeting.

Volunteers

- ❖ Jeff Vizensky has asked to have his name removed from the list due to the fact that he is in the process of selling his house and moving. We have eight (8) remaining volunteers on our list.

Dance Angels

- ❖ There were about six (6) Dance Angels. There were three (3) new people who agreed to be Dance Angels – Lou, Mary Sue, and Anna Marie. Anna Marie came to me afterwards and said she had a great deal of fun. She actually asked different people to dance-people she had never danced with before. Mary sue said she didn't know many of the dances but still wanted to be a Dance Angel. She also said she had fun. Lou also reported that he asked many different women to dance – new partners for him.
- ❖ I will continue to ask different people to be Dance Angels since the new Dance Angels really seemed to enjoy the experience. Now they have met more Swing'n'Country dancers – a snowball effect.

Special Events

- ❖ Ingrid, Judy, Bill and Marcia went shopping and purchased the decorations and most of the door prizes. Ingrid and Bill will be tapping into their vast supplies of holiday decorations so it should be a true "Winter Wonderland"! A photo corner was also designed. We have a total of four (4) people signed up for the event.

Membership

- ❖ We now have 155 members.

New Business

- ❖ The following dates for successive board meetings have been scheduled: January 20, 2014, February 17, 2014, March 17th, 2014, and April 21, 2014.
- ❖ Attached is our new Committee Listing for the year 2013-2014. Please **all** review it for accuracy as it will be posted on the website.
- ❖ Leah moved/Deborah seconded that we approve and set the dates for the 2nd dances in March, April and May of 2014, due to the previous motion that stated that their occurring would be determined by the September, October and November dances needing to at least break even, of which they did! **Motion passed!**

Next meeting is December 16, 2013. We will discuss the Budget, the Treasurer's Report, the Secretary's Report, and our Music Rotation. **Committee chair persons** need to get their budgets to Gary by December 2nd, 2013. **Gary** needs to get the budget out to the board members for discussion at this meeting.

Adjournment

Leah moved/Marcia seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 p.m.. Vote was unanimous. **Motion carried.** Respectively submitted,

Deborah E. Sitter