

Swing'n'Country  
Board Meeting  
11/10/08

Present: Leah Noparstak, Alfred Dahma, Roger Peterson, Ann Clark, Penny Rusch, Susie Kaplan, Julie Hein, Jerry Kieras

Absent: Tobi Oberman, Tina Reitz, Rich Cooper

Guests: Judi Troemel, Bill Dortch

Mission Statement was read by Judi Troemel.

#### Treasurer's Report

- Clarification was requested regarding \$1400 in the Marketing budget that is not accounted for (yet) this year,.
- Change: DDC to DCC on page 1.
- Moved (Roger) and seconded (Susie) that we accept report as amended. Vote was unanimous. **Motion passed.**
- Previous Treasurer's Reports were distributed and discussed.
  - Date at top should be today's date instead of question marks
  - Change from DDC to DCC
  - Clarification re expenditures for Marketing (-\$523)
  - Moved (Roger) and seconded (Alfred) that we accept report as amended. Vote was unanimous. **Motion passed.**

#### Secretary's Report

- Correction to Secretary's Report:
  - Regarding credit card: Although no vote was taken, the **consensus** was that we do not need a credit card.
- August Minutes
  - Moved (Leah) and seconded (Penny) that we approve August minutes. Vote was unanimous. **Motion passed.**
- July Minutes
  - Moved (Leah) and seconded (Ann) that we approve July minutes. Vote was unanimous. **Motion passed.**

**Leah and Julie:** send out approved minutes with heading "Approved Minutes" to all Board members

#### Happenings Presentation

- (Interrupted by an enthusiastic birthday presentation for Judi and Bill)
- After considerable discussion, **consensus** was reached that **Marketing Committee and Happenings Committee** discuss details of "blasts."

#### Other Happenings/Constant Contact

- We continue to have difficulties with Comcast, where certain SNC members with Comcast accounts don't get Happenings.
- We have challenges with formatting in creating Happenings.
- Constant Contact
  - Good job making formatting easy, lots of templates
  - Internal monitoring system is excellent
  - 60 day trial; then 70% of \$30/month (\$21/month)
  - **Happenings chair** will investigate after first of year

### Operations

- Merry Chapman will not host the hotline any longer.
- Do we want to continue to have the same phone number?
- If not, what are our options?

### T-Shirts

- Are on order, at same price as before
- Will be here for our next dance

### Dance/Lesson Dates

- All have been approved by Centre at North Park
- No dates have been submitted for July/August

### Lesson Summary Videos

- Basic beginner DVDs: no action at this time
- Lesson DVDs are out in a timely fashion

### Website

- Has been updated
- Has been formatted to provide most important information without needing to scroll, since dancers like to dance, not scroll (unless they've taken the Mario Intensive)
- DCC page is up and lovely, but Roger misses Flapper Girl

### Education

- Has not met yet

### Music

- Has not met yet

### Special Events

- Holiday din/dan reservations are dribbling in
- Early bird price will be extended

### Dance Camp

- Don Bright visited Quality Inn to check on progress of remodeling

- Committee discussed options if remodeling is not done

#### Hospitality

- Oct dance, cost of food ~\$30. Since we have added name tags to use on water bottles, use of water has declined
- Nov dance cost of food ~\$30.
- Special “harvest” food at next dance

#### By-Laws Committee

- **Ann** has received comments from everyone and is working on a proposal

#### Practice Partners

- **Susie** will coordinate this: big poster board with names but no identifying information. Use name tags to identify. SNC will not sponsor this but will offer opportunity to contact. **Consensus**. Disclaimer: not sponsored by SNC.
- Consider use of internet as a bulletin board for this type of thing (**Julie & Roger**)

#### For the Good of the Club

- Name tags will be used for dances in addition to lessons. **Consensus**  
**Leah** will investigate special name tags for Board members and possibly Dance Angels

Next Meeting: December 8, 2008

Motion (Penny) and seconded (all) to adjourn at 9:15. Vote was unanimous.  
**Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Hein  
Secretary