USA Dance #1011 Monthly Board Minutes

Marie Calendar's Medford Sunday, February 26, 2012 – 3:00 pm

1. OPENING:

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a.	Stephanie Hampton, President	PRESENT
b.	Dave Kahn, Vice President	PRESENT
c.	Dorene Goin, Secretary	PRESENT
d.	Tanya Dehart, Treasurer	PRESENT
e.	Rush Behnke, board member	PRESENT
f.	Marcia Boeckl, board member	ABSENT
g.	Larry Gibson, board member	ABSENT
ň.	Emilie Sampson, board member	PRESENT
i.	Charlene Stewart, board member	PRESENT

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Motion made by Dorene and seconded by Emily to accept the minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED

3. TREASURERS REPORT:

Tanya reported \$11,380.10 in the checking account with \$4,376.69 in the scholarship fund. An official report will be provided to secretary for records.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. **Membership** Chair-Marilee sent following report:
 - 1). Membership report: Members who are current: 68
 - 2) A membership report, **as of 2/17/12** (even though it says 12/21/11) was sent to each board member as requested to be done each year. This includes two ladies wishing to be on our mailing list and a few delinquent from the fall-hoping they will renew...) A discussion was held to talk about how best to increase membership and we decided to have a 'mini retreat' Sunday, April 8 from 12:30-4:00 pm with a pot luck and short agenda. Majority time will be discussion on Membership. Place to be determined. Ideas will be emailed before hand to President with copy to Secretary to type up and compile for meeting. This retreat will be held in lieu of March and April regular board meetings. The following ideas were discussed and will be added to that "Brainstorming list:
 - All Instructors to be members before they are recognized by USA Dance or gain access to our promotions.
 - Pear Blossom recipients of scholarships must be members (check with June).
 - Encourage all board members ask everyone they know to join.
 - Have a promotion kit ready to give out at every place where we have contact.
 - Ask for USA Dance member discounts from dance vendors. Make brochure to advertise this.
 - Ask all dances in area to discount entry fees for USA Dance Members.
 - Have at least one more special event as a way to promote USA Dance
- b. Special Events/Dance Chair- Dave (Emily, Rush, Donn, June)
 - 1) Spring Fling planning (Date 3/24/12) Dave handed brochure out to board and it will go on Facebook and Website. Dave will put event on at least one Reader Board
- c. Website/Newsletter Chair-Dorene/Charlene
 - Charlene reported that Newsletter is finished and will be put on Website. Tanya will send copies to those who do not have emails
- d. **Public Relations** Chair-Donn nothing to report

- e. **Scholarship** Chair-Marilee (Frances Brandt, Karen Knokey, Paul DeHart, Susan Dallas)
 Scholarship Report: The committee met January 31st and made no major changes to submit to the board. Reviewed forms and a few minor changes will be made.
 The Committee voted to award 10 \$50 scholarships at the Pear Blossom ballroom competition as they did last year. Two of the ten scholarships have been redeemed from last year, and five more are in the works to be redeemed. To date this year, \$395 in new scholarships have been awarded, leaving a balance of \$3,700.69 in the scholarship fund (the monies from DWTRVS have not yet been received). Three other scholarships are currently being processed.
- f. **DWTRVS** Chair- Emilee (Rush Marilee, Emilie, Bill Grimm, Donn, Matt Sampson)
- g. K-12 Program Chair- Esther Freeman (Members June, Jeri Capuzo, Emilie, Dave, John,) Esther sent her report that due to heavy schedules and late notice, first meeting was attended by two (Dave and Esther). Esther is looking for input from those who would like to share their vision of K-12 Program before moving ahead. Even those who want to be involved in the teaching can still be on the committees. Please call her at 541 779-6787 or email EstherFreeman@aol.com
- h. **Communications Chair –** Stephanie (John Hampton, Emilie) Emilie ask that everyone put on their facebook, the upcoming events and any news at all of interest.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Recognition for Jeff Palpant- The amount for the plaque was \$40 and Tanya reported that Donn did recognize Jeff at the showcase and Jeff was very pleased and surprised.
- b. National Chapter Conference March 1-4 Dallas Stephanie reported that because the baby is taking more time than planned she will delay this conference until next year. Dorene is going and will report back to the board.
- c. Logos and Shared Events Stephanie has asked Dorene to get information on that at the Conference and report back
- d. Contract with Sparrow Club -The 1st Draft has been done and is still in those stages.
- e. New Dance to partner with a non-profit? Wounded Warrior? This discussion was tabled until later.
- f. Conflict of interest declaration of financial gain Dorene will bring forms to the next meeting if the Corporate has decided to use them.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Committee assignments All committees have been assigned.
- b. Chapter Annual Report Report was done by Esther and Tanya reported there will be new categories which all Chapters will use to make reporting easier. Esther will help Tanya with this.
- c. Do we want to become a sponsor of the SO Swing Convention? Dave asked for the chapter's sponsorship in the amount of \$500 since this is the first dance competition in the area and they are having very low entry fees. Attached are documents on structure of the donations. Due to chapter Policy that we do not vote on issue concerning spending of funds unless previous notice, Rush made a motion that in one week we have an email vote on this motion: The USA Dance Scholarship Fund donate \$500 to the SO Swing Convention to go to prize money and that USA Dance be recognized as a Premier Sponsor on the Program. Dorene suggested that, if we do this we must find a way to promote in a similar way, Ballroom Dance Events. Stephanie will send email next Sunday and board members will have a few days to respond with their vote.
- d . Festival of Dance Volunteers There was no contact method so subject was tabled.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS -

- a. Next meeting time and place –
 Next meeting will be the "Mini-Retreat on Sunday, April 8, 2012 at 12:30-4:30
- 8. ADJOURN at 4:35 p.m. total of 95 minutes

ADDENDUM TO MINUTES:

A vote was held for Item 6,c – Sponsorship of SO Swing Convention, and the MOTION CARRIED. Dave abstained from the vote because of conflict of interest.