

SNC Board Minutes March 29, 2011

All present: Rich Coper, Ingrid Dubman, Julie Hein, Jerry Kieras, Don Moeller, Leah Noparstak, Karen Saunders, Deborah Sitter

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

Don Moeller read the Mission Statement.

Treasurer's Report

- Jerry moved and Ingrid seconded that the January, 2010 report be approved February/March report **will be acted on at the next meeting when report is complete.**

Secretary's Report

- Deborah moved and Rich seconded that the minutes be approved as corrected. Vote was unanimous. **Motion passed.**

Committee Reports

Dance Camp Chicago – full report is available from **Leah**

- Successful event financially: net \$2300
- Non-weekend passes sold were way up from last year
 - Friday: 58; Saturday: 146
- It is likely that World Dance Registry will be our data collection system again next year.
- Suggestions
 - Notify Board of other events where DCC donates passes
 - World Dance Registry charged (but refunded) \$.50/transaction even when funds did not change hands. This will be rectified next year.
- Rich requested that the following be included in next year's DCC budget
 - Printer supplies
 - Dinners that DCC is paying for (eg staff)
 - World Swing Dance Council membership
 - A portion of Fast Dance membership
 - Event insurance
- **Leah** will send the inventory sheets from Dance Camp to Jerry.

Happenings

- Karen moved and Ingrid seconded that Judi's request for \$30 to attend a Constant Contact Social Networking Seminar be approved. Vote was unanimous. **Motion passed.** **Julie** will inform Judi.
- *Happenings* proofreaders will continue to be Deborah and Leah. Roger will let Judi know, and **Jerry** will ask new Board members will be asked if they would like to volunteer.

Operations

- **Jerry** has been instructed to hold election materials for six months. At that time, he will ask for instructions from the Board about its disposal.
- **Don M and Jim Minard** will contact Joanne (Franklin Park) about alternate lighting plans. If approved by both Joanne and the Board, consider asking Rebels for financial support. Goal would be to have this in place by our anniversary dance, May 6.

Membership

- **Julie** will create verbiage for membership drive. It will appear as follows:
 - Happenings – Judi

- Website – Roger
- Board at dances/lessons – Jerry
- Handouts (1/2 sheets?) – Jerry
- 3-ring binder containing current membership dates – Leah to Jerry

Archive Report

- Leah will forward to Roger documents from April 2010-March 2011: lesson and dance attendance spreadsheets, DCC information and other noteworthy information

Website

- Julie will forward the approved January minutes to Roger.
- A photo of the new Board will be taken at Friday's dance (April 1) and made available to Roger for the website. Jerry will notify new Board members to be photo-ready.
- Dates for future Board meeting will be set when the new Board convenes and will be conveyed to Roger by Jerry.
- Jerry will send Roger the following: new Board aliases, membership of the board@swingncountry.net and boardplus@swingncountry.net lists, recipients of online SNC feedback messages.
- Ingrid will send Roger additions/deletions to the instructor roster as well as instructors for the Sept, Oct, Nov, 2011 second Friday dances. (See below for the latter information.)

Marketing

- May 6 has been established as the date of our Anniversary dance as well as Merry Chapman's induction as a Life Member.
- Leah will ask Roger to notify Merry of the date.
- Leah will ask Roger to make a five-minute presentation during the dance.

Education

- Second Friday instruction/teacher has been scheduled as follows:
 - September – Julie Hein: Turns and Spins
 - October – Don Mc: Nightclub (Julie will contact Don/BJ about publicity re Don)
 - November – Angie Cameron: Hustle
- Once signed contracts are received, Ingrid will send information to Judi and Roger.

Music

- Board listened to April's recommendations for resetting windows for Waltz, Double Two and Nightclub. Leah moved and Julie seconded that the original motion to approve April's recommendations for adjusted music "windows" be approved as follows:
 - Two Step – 160-195 bpm
 - Nightclub – 54-77 bpm
 - West Coast Swing – 95-118 bpm
 - Waltz – 88-102 bpm
 - East Coast Swing 128-155 bpm
 - Double Two – 105-122 bpm
 - Cha Cha – 102-118 bpm
 - Polka – 1112-130 bpm
 - Hustle – no recommendation
- Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Adjournment

- Rich moved and Julie seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:48. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Hein
Secretary

Note from Julie: As I retire from the Board (again!) I need to say how proud I am of what Swing'n'Country has become in our dance community: a leader in supporting and mentoring new dancers and celebrating seasoned dancers, a club that looks for guidance both to the past and to the future, with a Board that consciously creates bridges among all dance types. Truly, it's like seeing a child grow to adulthood, and I thank one and all for the chance to have been a part of it.

See you – all over the place – on the floor!

Summary of boxed names (for those who can't find them in color in the text):

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