



DATE: Saturday November 24th 2019

LOCATION: Amanda's house

PRESENT DIRECTORS: Amanda, Veronica, Vickie, Wyatt, Crystal, Edoh

APOLOGIES: Rick.

ABSENT: Ella.

1. Call meeting to order: 5:15.

- 2. Appointment of Chairperson: Amanda.
- 3. Adoption of Agenda: Add invitation to all-stars.
- 4. Adoption of previous minutes: adopted as amended.
- 5. Review of Action Items from Previous Minutes:

Free Memberships for beginner dancers

Letter to instructors drafted and being reviewed by the Board.

6. Executive/Board Reports:

- a. President's report arrangements for SwingCouver, arrangements for Confed. See items below.
- b. Vice President's report no news.
- c. Treasurer's report Monthly report posted. Awaiting proceeds from the SwingCouver tables. Drive contains updated information on carry-forward year-to-date numbers.
- d. Secretary's report added summary numbers on sign-up from non-members.

7. Dance Review



- a. October dance
 - i. 42 in Elizabeth & Zoltan's intermediate lesson
 - ii. 22 in Michael & Amy's beginner lesson
 - iii. DJ: Jason. Feedback is mostly positive about the inclusion of newer music.
 - iv. General discussion
 - No 50/50. Perhaps continue alternating months.
 - No memberships offered. Some requests.
 - Lounge & ballroom layout. Both were incorrectly prepared, including stacks of chairs. Amanda prepared maps for the layout, and we will send these to the board and to the Confederation Centre. Amanda has had discussions with Sandy at Confed.
 - Jason's speakers. Sound was buzzy for some songs.
 - Internal speakers. These were not tested.
 - Feedback to prior instructor. Amanda discussed the feedback with the instructor.
 - Registration table expectations. It is expected that when someone assigned to the desk leaves temporarily, they make sure the desk is covered. This will be communicated.
- b. Upcoming dances & instructors
 - i. December:
 - Intermediate: Pam Line dance
 - Beginner: Michael & Amy
 - DJ: Jason & Rick
 - Potluck. Veggie tray, popcorn Amanda. Cheese chunks, pop Edoh and Veronica. Party stuff will be provided.
 - Prizes (raffle). Need boxes or bins for the raffle tickets.
 - 2020 membership. Renewal will be available at the registration desk and also on-line.
- 8. **Review decisions made via email.** Discussion on supporting the peer-support system. No action taken.



9. Updates

- a. Victoria dances. Going well, including a New Year's Eve event.
- b. Peer practice committee. On-going. The Club is not currently involved.
- c. SwingCouver table committee. Two tables were purchased and all seats have been sold to club members. Working on table decorations.
- d. Selection committee. Directors have had some discussions with potential board members.
- e. Suburban Swing recap. Dance took place at Pitt-Meadows on 4 Nov. Well-attended. The club is not involved, but promoted the dance.
- f. Dance reconciliation document. Used twice as an experiment. Still being refined. Available for review in the drive with board documents. Goal is better information on what our cash balance should be.
- g. 2020 dance dates. Now arranged and Confederation has been paid. Changed the March date to the 14th to avoid a conflict with the Kennedy Hall dance.

10. New Business

- a. Membership fees. Revenue has been steady, but expenses have been increasing, specifically rent and insurance have been increasing. Discussion included membership fees and the cost of the dances. Decided to keep the membership fees at the present level (15 dollars) for 2020.
- b. Peer mentorship program run by Nela Subrtova. Should we offer club memberships to mentees and mentors? Motion (Edoh, Veronica) to offer club membership for 2020 to the 4 mentees and 5 mentors currently in the peer mentorship program. The board will reassess further support for this program as necessary. Motion passes with Amanda and Crystal recusing themselves.
- c. 2020 DJs. Dates given to Jason. Discussion also continues about including other DJs.
- d. Flyer production. Process reviewed and is successful.
- e. All-stars receiving free admission to the dances. This follows up on an item from the July meeting. We will reach out to these dancers. Edoh will draft a message and Amanda and Wyatt will update the system to include this category (or we will include them as volunteers or instructors).



- 11. Items for next newsletter(s) which will be sent out in a week.
 - a. December dance
 - i. Potluck
 - ii. Dance-related prizes
 - b. Membership renewal
 - c. Board nominations
 - d. Victoria dance
 - e. 2020 dance dates
 - f. Blog posts (M&T Coach's Corner, etc.)
 - g. Call for volunteers
- 12. Items to keep in mind
- 13. Next Meeting(s) Saturday, Jan. 4, 11 to 1 at Vickie's.
- 14. Motion to Adjourn: 7:45.