



BCSDC Board of Directors Agenda

DATE: October 7, 2024 - 7:00-9:00 p.m.

LOCATION:

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PRESENT DIRECTORS: Chris, Rick, Vince, Gina, Aliya

APOLOGIES: Tori, Arya, Hillary, Lauren

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- **Call meeting to order:**
7:09pm
 - **Appointment of Chairperson:**
Chris chaired
 - **Adoption of Agenda:**
Adopted as is
 - **Adoption of previous minutes:**
 - **August**
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1yWWL73nqbmVlyafUE5oPxCRlyOGQ78-HQeJpwHgidAo>
 - financials have been added under treasurer's report
 - **Sept**
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1K-XSngnOiVU9EIGKyQaiQ9hj82MFBOVnYpSPH1WklVw>
 - financials have been added
 - once minutes have been approved then they shouldn't be changed

Minutes have been adopted
 - **Hi Review of Action Items from Previous Minutes**
 - **Review decisions made outside monthly meetings.**



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None made

- **Executive/Board reports:** all covered in agenda items
 - President
 - Vice President - n/a
 - Treasurer - n/a
 - Secretary - thank you to Aliya for taking minutes this month

- **Event Review**
 - Financial Report:
 - Revenue - \$1,139
 - Expenses - \$993
 - Income - \$146
 - Attendance
 - Beginner Lesson: 21
 - Intermediate Lesson: 26 (2 board members included)
 - Dance: 68 + 4 board members
 - Dance Overview
 - Confed wouldn't let us in to set-up 15 mins early (6:15)
 - Then once inside set-up was not to our specifications - missing tables and small room set-up, feedback has been given and hopefully will be addressed
 - lack of set-up seems to have been caused by miscommunication
 - Sound system worked, event went smoothly, feedback about intermediate lesson (that Ian wasn't their favourite)
 - After lesson with Ian, significant number of people (10 or so) asking questions after lesson with Ian outside the big room
 - Ian was very excited and happy to be teaching
 - Chris had said Ian would be willing to teach the beginner lesson for no charge
 - Ian would be only teacher not being paid, if he wants to volunteer his time and energy then he would be donating his time and energy
 - 4 different individuals asked about the music, didn't seem to resonate - non west coast swing music in particular
 - Sounds system did a minor fluctuation later in night
 - Feedback for beginner lesson would be to incorporate etiquette piece into lesson more rather than as addition at the end

- **Future dances**



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- October 2024 Dance
 - halloween dance
 - Decided on: costume contest, sweets, trophies, glow in the dark bracelets (Some left from last year)
 - Online QR code for best costume vote didn't work well last year. ballot box might work better
 - We can announce costume contest and details don't need to be included
 - Ponytail Chris will DJ
- Confirmed Dates for Pending dances:
 - October, 26 2024 (Confederation)
 - November, 16 2024 (Confederation) -
 - Beginner - Dalynne
 - Intermediate - Henry (his first time teaching intermediate for us)
 - December, 21 2024 (Banquet, Bonsor)
 - January 18, 2025 (Banquet Hall, Bonsor)
 - February 15, 2025 (Bonsor)
 - March 15, 2025 (Bonsor)
 - April 26, 2025 (Bonsor)
 - May 17, 2025 (Bonsor)
 - June 21, 2025 (Bonsor)
 - July 19th, 2025 (Bonsor)
- Requested Dates
 - Need to book a date for August 2025, Sept 2025, October 2025
 - Nov 9th at Bonsor requested to cancel
 - There is the idea of alternating between beginner and intermediate before each Bonsor dance in new year, still need to book spaces for that
 - **ACTION ITEM: Book spaces for Bonsor lesson 2025**
- Leaving confirming instructors for Jan until next meeting
- **Signage Replacement**
Tori n/a, deferred
- **Fall Workshop Day**
 - Moved workshop to Jan, Amy sounded interested in teaching it originally but Michael and Amy need to talk more. Haven't heard back from Tessa as Tessa is travelling, can check in with Michael and Amy at lessons
 - Anybody else who could teach it?



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- Jen is offering private lessons, John Kirkconnell and Anna Wallace and Za Thomaier?
Don't want to step on DFD's toes
- Concept was partnering an experienced instructor in the community with less known instructor
- We could ask John and Anna or John and Leigh, though Leigh may not be teaching - she was working with Ian at the intermediate lesson
- **ACTION: Request for Chris to talk to Amy this Tuesday (Oct 8th) and get a sense of their thoughts**
- **ACTION for Arya: find venue for workshop so we can confirm**

- **Adding a WCS calendar to the website**
Tori n/a, deferred

- **Volunteer Recruitment**
 - Increase volunteer pool by putting blurb in newsletter and on FB event
 - "we're looking for volunteers, if you're interested please reach out to email or Vince"
 - **ACTION: will add that on fb page and newsletter**
 - We tried to email list of volunteers that was updated at the beginning of the year but only 2 people responded
 - Is it a concern that the pool is the same people?
 - Concern is that if they get relied upon they might get burnt out or if they leave then we're short-staffed, paid staff and volunteers have been reliable, but wider pool would be better if they are unavailable

- **Square Membership**
 - Ongoing questions about people who believe they have purchased membership this year, but according to records they have not.
 - tag had been added * (lapsed) or ~(got in free).
 - more recently we will be adding to their name a month of purchase for membership, free dance etc in words
 - Sara and Vince came across same issue with purchase or membership but records did not show a membership transaction. Admitted member anyway and edited name with membership info.
 - concern is the system isn't working easily for front desk or for person inputting people into square
 - **ACTION: conversation will be had between Chris, Sarah and Aliya to sort out best way forward**



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- Short term solution: still honour system
- A number of people come in and they want to know the last time they paid -a way to go back in to see purchase would be helpful
- app version may be limited, cash transaction might not have been reported, or someone could have purchased on their behalf

- **Items for the next newsletter**
 - use blurb from previous letters for volunteer call-out
 - Retaliation Swing - winners and photo of Canadian participants
 - Next dance: costume contest and halloween theme
 - summary of last dance (Sept)
 - announce christmas at Bonsor - in banquet hall
 - AGM announcement/reminder
 - AGM separate email - three months, before feb dance at Bonsor, February 15
 - **Action item: Chris will track down time before dance for AGM**

- **Set the date & time for the next board meeting**
 - tentatively Oct 28th
- **Adjourn**
 - Gina motion to adjourn
 - Chris seconds 7:58pm