



Ballroom Dance Club of Fairbanks, Inc.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES December 19, 2006

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Karen Maier.

Directors Present: Steve Nelson, Patty Nelson, Sue Waryas, Rae Dinsmore, Scott Luper, Mary Lindahl, Scott Bates, Jack Schmid, Holly Stack, Richard Kemnitz and Karen Maier

Absent: Lorrie Rae and Administrative Coordinator Sydney Seay

Agenda Review: Agendas and reports were made available to Board members.

Vice President's Report: Steve Nelson thanked the outgoing Board members and welcomed returning and new Board members. All Board members introduced themselves and Steve opened the floor for nominations for officer positions.

President: Mary Lindahl nominated Steve Nelson for President and Sue Waryas seconded the nomination. The vote was unanimous and Steve continued to conduct the meeting, now as President.

Vice President: Mary Lindahl nominated Jack Schmid for Vice President and Patty Nelson seconded the nomination. The vote was unanimous.

Secretary: Nominations for Secretary were tabled until the next meeting pending input from Lorrie Rae. Mary Lindahl volunteered to take minutes for the current meeting.

Committee duties were defined and discussed and Steve identified current open positions.

NLCD liaison: Sue Waryas volunteered to serve as NLCD liaison.

Membership Chair: Scott Bates volunteered to serve as Membership Chair with Anya Goropashnaya continuing to monitor the membership list.

Facilities Chair: Sue Waryas will also continue as Facilities Chair

Publicity Chair: Holly Stack volunteered to co-chair Publicity with Lorrie Rae, pending Lorrie's agreement. Mary Lindahl will write the enews while Don Turner is out of town; Richard Kemnitz offered to continue being in charge of the website when he is in town, using Vern's V Comp business as back up; and Rae Dinsmore will continue to update the phone answering machine and return requests for information.

Programs: Scott Luper will continue as Programs Chair.

Social Activities: Patty Nelson will continue as Social Activities Chair

Treasurer's Report: Mary Lindahl reported that current Bank and cash balances total \$38,449.21 which represents a \$5010.02 net gain over the beginning of the year. Total Revenue for 2006 is \$45,488.83; Instructor Expenses are \$17,858.00; and Operating Expenses are \$22,620.81. Remaining expenses for 2006 are estimated to be \$3600 for a yearly net income of about \$1500.

The Board approved Steve Nelson to have check writing authority, replacing Margo Matthews.

Administrative Report: No report was given.

Consent Agenda: The November minutes were reviewed; Mary Lindahl moved to approve them as written; and Rae Dinsmore seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Old Business: Renewing membership in the FCVB (Fairbanks Convention and Visitors Bureau) was discussed. Rae Dinsmore moved that membership be renewed if the price is less than \$200 and Jack Schmid seconded the motion. The motion passed. Rae will follow up on the membership price.

The UAF Advanced Ballroom club is on hold due to lack of student involvement and no collaboration opportunities exist at this time.

The need for angels to help at dance practice will be mentioned in the enews.

Scott Luper will provide student feedback to our dance instructors regarding partner rotation. The method of encouraging partner rotation while suggesting that those who don't want to rotate take a step back during rotation works well. All students should be made to feel comfortable whether or not they rotate.

Steve Nelson will talk to Kurt Byers regarding the Trifold Brochure to advertise the BDCF.

New Business: Holly Stack updated the Board on the Walter Dill workshop and the Chena Hot Springs party and Potluck on Jan. 8th and Scott Luper reviewed the workshop schedule for Jan 8, 9 and 10th.. The sign-up sheet for volunteers needed for the Dill workshop, lesson registration, and upcoming dances and practices was filled out.

Steve Nelson suggested buying a music computer which could be programmed to play music at dances at practices. The idea was discussed and Steve Nelson, Richard Kemnitz, Scott Bates and JJ Laserna agreed to research the issue. Scott Luper moved that a music computer be investigated and purchased subject to a \$1500 limit, with Steve and Richard making the final purchase arrangements. Rae Dinsmore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Sue Waryas moved that the Community Survey issue be tabled until later; Rae Dinsmore seconded; and all were in favor of the motion.

A military and student discount was discussed along with a way to offer a larger discount to honor the Strykers. Scott Luper moved that a 50% discount be offered during the upcoming session of lessons to Strykers and their guests and that a \$10 discount be offered to all military and students beginning with the second session of 2007. Rae Dinsmore seconded the motion and both ideas passed unanimously. The Stryker and military discount will be advertised on post and Holly Stack will contact Phillip J. Page at Ft. Wainwright for his help with getting the word out.

Committee Business:

Program: Scott Luper reported that all is going well with the upcoming Dill workshop and the next set of lessons.

Social Activities: Patty Nelson reported that the next social dance on Jan. 6th will be hosted by the Lathrop High School Swing Club and that the Moonlight Ball is scheduled for Feb. 17th at the Princess. Patty and Scott Luper will talk to JJ regarding offering another lesson before the Jan. 19th social dance.

NLCD: No other issues to be discussed.

Publicity: No other issues to be discussed.

Facilities: Sue passed out key forms to be filled out and returned to her.

Membership: No other issues to be discussed.

Meeting Review and wrap up: Rae Dinsmore reported that she will continue her conversations with Carl and Karrie, swing instructors in Chicago, for a possible workshop in March.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 25th. Sue will see if the dance hall is available. If not, Scott Luper has offered the use of his home.

Mary moved that the meeting be adjourned and Jack seconded. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.