



**Folk Dance Federation of California, Inc.
Minutes of the Teleconference Meeting of
The Federation Board of Directors
October 13, 2013, 2:00-4:00 pm**

In attendance:

Memo Keswick (President)
Loui Tucker (Vice President)
Sabine Zappe (Treasurer)
Ken McGreevy (Secretary)
Denise Heenan (Board member)
Statewide Co-chair
Cricket Raybern (Board member)

Laura Douglas (Board member)
Bill Lidicker (Board member)
Adony Beniares (Board member)
Julie East (Board member)
Lenore Frigo (Federation member,

The meeting was called to order at 2:05pm

- I. Minutes of July 24, 2013 Board meeting at Stockton Dance Camp were approved with suggested changes.
- II. Informational Only
 - On August 5, 2013 BOD unanimously approved by e-mail the sponsoring of September 28, 2013 San Francisco Chang's 75th Anniversary dance party in San Francisco and Sonoma's Fiesta de Sonoma dance party on the same date.
- III. Report from Board Officers and Chairs
 - A. Treasurer – Budget Report (Sabine Zappe)
 - Current Budget was reviewed by BOD. Expenses and Revenues presented were in line with current budget. The vote was taken to accept the Budget Report as presented by Sabine.
 - Loui advised that we have recovered the amount advanced for the tote bags/t-shirts.
 - B. Scholarship (Connie Hull)
 - The corrected date of approval of the new criteria was the April 22, 2012, BOD Meeting.
 - It was emphasized that applicants must be an individual or family member of Federation, not just a club member.
 - No one applied for a scholarship in 2012.
 - In 2013, five people inquired about scholarships and four submitted applications. One of these was not a Federation member and, despite encouragement, did not join and was thus not eligible. Three scholarships were awarded in 2013. All of these were for attendance at Stockton Folkdance Camp.

- It was suggested that the deadline for the 2014 Scholarship requests be one week before April 2014, BOD meeting.
 - Loui requested that Connie submit the announcement for posting to the InternationalFolkDance Yahoo group and Loui will post it.
- C. Statewide 2014 (Julie East and Lenore Frigo)
- Julie has secured the Odd Fellows Hall about 12 minutes from Redding for Friday through Monday May 23-26, 2014.
 - Sonia and Cristian have been booked. Richard Powers is not available. Roberto Bagnoli still a possibility.
 - Bill Lidicker urged that we get the date publicized ASAP.
 - Susan will make a "Save the Date" flyer
 - Denise suggested posting ASAP to InternationalFolkDance Yahoo group and posting the information on North & South Federation websites
 - Julie asked who manages web sites. Loui said she does it for us (the North) and coordinates with the webmaster for the South.
 - Discussion: Are we sufficiently ready to publish this information?
Response: YES!
 - Some attendees reported hearing remarks from Southern California dancers questioning why Statewide is scheduled in Redding. Loui suggested this should be addressed by the publicity team in order to make Redding an event-destination and worth the trip from S. Cal.
 - Julie asked about obtaining buses for charter. Response: Contact Beverly Barr in LA as she is an expert on this subject.
 - Ken McGreevy brought up the possibility of using Amtrak which offers single train service from Los Angeles. Julie says Amtrak's nearest stop is inconvenient, requiring a bus connection.
 - Memo suggested looking for hotel deals, and using Meetup.com in various cities to spread the news
 - Memo and others thanked Julie and Lenore for a fine job on organizing the event.
- D. Insurance (Ken Kaye / proxy: Memo Keswick)
- 57 certificates of insurance have been issued. The program is running smoothly. All clubs have paid the fees so the program continues to be self-funded. We may have another club to be included in the program.
- E. Committees and Vacancies (Memo Keswick)
- Committees that need chairs are Costumes, North/South, Promotions, Teaching, Publications, and Nominating.
 - Vice President Loui, whose job it is to appoint the Nominating Committee chair, said we will have a Nominations Chairperson by November 1st.
- IV. Upcoming Events
- A. Officers Ball 10/26/2013
- A large (2 x 3 ft) ice chest about half full of ice is needed; Laura volunteered one.

- Lucy is working with Ellie Wiener on dinner and refreshments.
 - BOD members need to pay for the OB; teachers are comped with free admission instead of being paid for their services.
 - Loui reported that nine dances are to be taught.
 - Memo asked Loui to supply hotel and other info, and he will help publicize in Sacramento & elsewhere in Central Valley.
 - Memo will check with Livermore regarding 11:30 AM access time for preparations
 - Adony / Loui stated they are more concerned with getting the hall cleaned up and getting out by the deadline. The setup crew is covered. Still needed are cleanup crew volunteers.
 - BOD members are providing snacks, appetizers & desserts
 - BOD members will help set up
 - BOD members help with take down (must be out by 11pm)
- B. Heritage Festival at Sequoia High School in Redwood City January 10-11, 2014
- All request both nights between live music sets
 - Agapi Mou will play live music Friday evening
 - Susan Worland will assemble a band to play live music for Saturday evening
 - Erica Goldman will teach at Institute
 - BOD room will be available at 10 AM Saturday for the meeting
- V. Committee member names (Memo)
Memo needs the names of all members of Federation's Standing and Adhoc committees. Scholarship, Publicity, Statewide members have already been reported
- VI. By Laws changes workgroup (Bill Lidicker)
Bill Lidicker volunteered to chair a committee to review and make suggestions. Interested parties should contact Bill Lidicker.
- VII. Date and Place for next BOD meeting
Heritage Festival Jan 10-11, 2014 (10am or 10:30am TBD)
- Adjournment – Teleconference meeting adjourned at 3:48 PM