

Minutes of the Folk Dance Federation of California (North)
Board Meeting
Sunday, March 28, 2021, via Zoom Teleconference

In attendance:

Marian Snyder (President)
Ulrike Narins (Vice President)
Sabine Zappe (Treasurer)
Clem Dickey (Secretary)

Board members

Craig Blackstone (Nominations)
Joe Croco (Past President)
Laura Douglass (Finance)
Marija Hillis (Promotion)
Lon Radin (Institutes)
Loui Tucker (Editor)

President Marian Snyder called the meeting to order at 3:38 pm. A quorum was present.

- Interim Board Action

On March 9, by email, Clem Dickey moved to adopt the "Amendment to the Bylaws to allow electronic elections" as amended and approved at the February 7 Board meeting. Craig Blackstone seconded. On March 11 President Marian Snyder wrote that the amendment had been approved. The vote was 16-0.

On March 9 Craig moved that, contingent on the adoption of the bylaws amendment, that we conduct the election of officers by electronic vote this year. Clem seconded. The vote result was unclear, as some members did not specify whether votes for electronic voting covered both motions or just the amendment adoption.

- Minutes of the previous meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on February 7, 2021, were provided in advance. On a motion by Laura, seconded by Loui, the minutes were approved 10-0.

- Officers Ball

Joe reported that the Hayward Veterans Hall has accepted our reservation for October 16. The Board agreed to the theme "So Happy Together." M&M Catering (Marian and Marija) agreed to provide dinner. Marian will ask Kevin about decorations. Laura will coordinate refreshments. The Institute Committee (Lon and Loui) will work on engaging teachers; the committee may concentrate on COVID-era dances, or oldies, or dances which have fallen by the wayside in the past year. We will need to send additional money to the Hall 30 days before the event. We need to review the contract for restrictions due to COVID-19. Laura will contact Bill Cope for after-dinner music.

- Treasurer (Sabine) – written report included

The February report has been sent, and March will follow soon. Sabine has heard from 12 people regarding disposition of their Statewide payments. No one asked for a refund. Loui will run a reminder in *Let's Dance!* magazine, noting that rollover to the next Statewide will be the default.

- Membership (Marcia Rosenblatt) - absent, written report included

Loui noted that the total number of entries (individual members and families) in the membership database is roughly unchanged from a year ago. On a motion by Laura, seconded by Marija, the report was accepted 10-0.

- Editor (Loui)

Let's Dance! magazine is doing well; unsolicited contributions – poetry, articles and pictures – are gratifying. Stockton Camp plans to run an ad, and ads for other virtual camps are expected.

- Promotions (Marija)

Loui noted that we have gained no new dancers in the past year due to lack of in-person dancing. Marija is considering writing an article for *Let's Dance!* on attracting new dancers.

- Nominations (Craig)

Craig noted that the by-laws amendment was accepted. To clarify the vote on this year's election, Craig moved that we conduct the election of officers by electronic vote this year. Lon seconded. The motion passed 10-0.

Craig plans to use Survey Monkey to run the election. Loui has prepared a draft based on last year's ballot; she will send that to Craig. Craig expects to use the same timeline as last year. Announcement emails will be sent using the Google Groups contact list. The list corresponds to the membership list except for members who have specifically opted out of Google Groups, and possibly for foreign members. Loui will investigate the latter.

- Next meeting

The next meeting will be held 3:30 pm Sunday, June 6, 2021. The meeting will be held on Zoom.

- Adjournment

On a motion by Craig, seconded by Joe, the meeting adjourned at 4:21 pm.