

Minutes of the NASSPDA Board Meeting
SUNDAY, March 27, 2022, 10:30 AM PDT, 12:30 PM CDT, 1:30 PM EDT

Present:

1. Benjamin Soencksen (President, FGG Delegate, Scholarship Committee Chair)
2. Lee Fox (Treasurer, Finance Committee & Membership Chair; Competition Committee Co-Chair)
3. Erik Jaeger (Secretary)
4. Kalin Mitov (Promotion Committee Chair)
5. Rufi Oswaldo (Board Member)
6. Jo Popadynetz (Board Member)
7. Emma DiFrancesco (Board Member)

Absent:

1. Susie Hoskins (Board Member)
2. Eddie Alba (Competition Committee Co-Chair)
3. Debbie Esparza (Vice President)

Meeting called to order at 13:42 EDT

Meeting ended 15:01 EDT

1. Standing Items

1.1. **Polls since last meeting to be recorded**

- Poll via email was approved for IT consulting. Approved by 9 votes, 1 abstention.

1.2. Approve minutes & notes from last meeting

- Notes and Minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

2. Committee Reports

2.1. Financial:

- General fund: \$6,491.67
- Scholarship fund: \$2,196.59
- Stripe \$938.30
- Donation received from Chris Phan for \$750.00
- Expenses since last meeting: \$154 for the Constant Contact renewal.
- Tax forms (IRS, California) have been taken care of for tax year 2021.

2.2. Membership:

2.2.1. Membership update

- 49 total members (-11 since last meeting), 33 individual, 3 first partner, 3 second partner, 2 Teams, 1 Organizations, 6 Honorary Members, 1 Student

2.2.2. Registration discount reimbursements

- No decisions taken

2.3. Scholarship Committee:

2.3.1. **Policy changes for scholarship eligibility and procedure**

2.3.2. **Level(s) of scholarships available for 2022?**

- No decisions taken

2.4. Promotion Committee:

2.4.1. eNewsletter

- March newsletter went to 397 recipients, 47% opening so far. 4 link clicks.

2.4.2. Activity Grant

2.4.2.1. New application(s)?

- No update

2.4.3. Ambassadorship(s) applications

- No new applicants

2.4.4. **Report on use and effect of Google Adwords grant (hire consultant?)**

- No decisions taken

2.5. Website Committee:

2.5.1. Website/Archive updates

2.5.2. Report on revamping/redesigning website

- See 2.4.4

2.6. Board Election Committee 2022:

2.6.1. Up for election in 2022: Debbie, Eddie, Kalin, Lee

2.6.2. **Election timeline as still shown on website**

2.6.2.1. **Candidate application deadline – April 18**

- 2.6.2.2. Ballots will be sent April 23
- 2.6.2.3. Voting ends May 7
- 2.6.2.4. Confirmation of election results and voting of officers in the Board Meeting on May 15
- No decisions taken
- 2.7. Competition Committee:
 - 2.7.1. Adjudicator application(s)?
 - 2.7.2. Sanctioning application(s)?
 - 2.7.3. Title authorization application(s)?
 - 2.7.4. Suggested revisions of or additions to Competition Rules?
- No updates for 2.7
- 3. Old Business
 - 3.1. Coordination with other organizations
 - 3.1.1. FGG/ESSDA (Benjamin)
 - 3.1.1.1. Updates on Dancesport at GG11 hosted in Hong Kong / Guadalajara
 - No decisions taken.
 - 3.1.2. IFSSDA (Benjamin)
 - 3.1.2.1. Progress report on IFSSDA's website
 - No decisions taken
 - 3.2. Upcoming/recent competitions
 - 3.2.1. April Follies, Oakland, CA, April 2022 (cancelled)
 - No update
 - 3.2.2. World Dancesport Pride Cup, Orlando, FL, June 2022 (cancelled; as part of Pride Cup)
 - No update
 - 3.2.3. New England Open, Dedham, MA, October 2022
 - No date has been determined.
 - 3.2.4. Gay Games XI, Hong Kong, China, & Guadalajara, Mexico, November 3 through 11, 2023
 - Dancesport competition will be held in Guadalajara; Hong Kong will most likely be a local dancesport event
 - 3.3. Use of Google Suites to edit and comment on language/documents in development
 - No decisions taken
- 4. New Business
 - 4.1. Discussion on 'Representation'
 - No decisions taken.
 - Cooperation with USA Dance – cross-promotion
 - No decisions taken.
- 5. Schedule next Meeting
 - May 15, 11:00am Pacific, 2pm Eastern. Time might change depending on Debbie's conference. Debbie to confirm.
 - Lee to provide the Zoom link for the meeting.