

Chattahoochee Country Dancers Steering Committee

July 2010 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: July 25, 2010

Host: Kitty Wimbish

Attending:

SC members: Tim Timmer, Jim Crawford, Robbin Ryan, Sherry Kilpatrick, Dave Marcus, Robert McGregor, Janet Shepherd, Margie Cooper, Jennifer Horrocks,

Guests: Kitty Wimbish, Rob Harper, Evan Lee

Absent:

Minutes of the meeting:

1. Meeting called to order at 6:40 by Tim Timmer.
2. Tim moved to approve the minutes of the June meeting. Motion passed 5-0
3. Dave moved to send two SC members to the Southeastern Dance Leadership Conference and to send two up-and-coming-leaders with a 1/3rd- to 2/3rd scholarship (1/3rd if CDSS is matching). Second: Janet. Passed 9-0. Robert to send out a notice of scholarship availability with questions as crafted by himself, Rob, Jennifer and Margie.
4. Next meeting will be in September, leaving August for a by-laws committee retreat.
5. Electrical work – Dave moved that we have a fundraiser with CCC, with the explicit agreement that the monies go for electrical work and that the first electrical work to be paid for is the work that directly benefits CCD. Margie seconded. Passed: 9-0.
6. ByLaws – feedback from Robbin/subcommittee – notes from the subcommittee were passed out and discussed – see attached. Discussion of process, which will be:
 - The by-laws committee will have a retreat to decide on the organizational changes we want and to wordsmith the exact changes. All SC members will try to attend; past presidents of the CCD will be invited as well. This will not be a public meeting, however.

- Important topics to get done fast, if we can:
 - Nominating process
 - Transition to new officers
7. Consensus for Tim to post a message looking for chair for nominating committee.
 8. Recap of June callers meeting. Recommendations from callers:
 - Cub callers get a max of 3 evenings per quarter. These should be as evenly distributed as possible among the qualified cub callers.
 - These should be only with local bands and callers.
 - The first half of the Tuesday dances should be a single caller; the second half to be open mike. George to continue to organize the evening.
 - Change to Friday beginner session to start at 7:30 but keep it posted as 7:15.

Motion by Dave to accept the first three of these recommendations. Seconded by Margie. Passed 9-0. (Further discussion needed on fourth recommendation.)

9. Security – Callers will have safety message at each dance. Two police officers take turns patrolling the parking lot. The continuing cost will be carried through the end of the year, as decided by the finance committee. Future decisions about continuing security and the cost thereof will be discussed at end of the year. No further incidents have been reported during the dance.
10. A/C at CCC – Air conditioning compressor has been fixed by CCC. Room temperature at last dance was 73 degrees inside while it was in 90's outside.
11. Lift at CCC - Any work needed on lift? CCC will need to fix. Kim will address the problem with McKenzie.
12. Dance Weekend topics – Committees are forming. Discussion of making dance weekend more kid friendly to encourage more families to sign up. Do we need childcare? Jennifer will speak to Christin about details. Questions about techno contra dance at another venue? Discussion tabled for lack of time.
13. New Year's Eve dance- party favors need to be bought. Also, can we encourage people to dress up so the video will be interesting. Jennifer brought up ideas to add buffet to evening.

14. Advertising for November dance weekend has been posted on DanceGypsy.com
15. Meeting adjourned at 8:40.