

CCD Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
Sunday, July 20, 2008, 6:50pm
Host: Robert McGregor

Attending (Total: 10) Rob Harper, David Digby, Sherry Kilpatrick, Robert McGregor, Jim Crawford, Brian Baker, Kimbi Hagen, Raymond Tovo, Kitty Wimbish, Bruce Tarnopolski

- 1) Next Meeting: No Meeting planned for August. September 7 meeting: 6:30pm : Kimbi Hagen hosting.
- 2) Finance: This last Friday's dance (*July 18th*) was one of the most well-attended and profitable Friday dances in memory.
- 3) April Southerland's Replacement: We've talked to a number of potential candidates identified during the June SC meeting. Some were interested. Others not. The SC voted to bring Brian Matson onto the SC. He will fill the vacancy created by April Sutherland's departure through the end of 2008. In pursuing young replacements, Rob suggested we refer to the Steering Committee as the "Board of Directors." It really is that, and SC applicants early in their careers may see putting it on their resume as more of a career benefit when it is called "Board of Directors."
- 4) Sound: The two Sound people now are Shawn Rogers and Arianna Soloway. Rob wants to bring both of them up-to-speed over the next few weeks and give them a chance to demonstrate their skills and commitment. The SC will evaluate performance and feedback from dancers to determine if they should continue to do sound for Friday dances.
- 5) George Snyder's Evaluators for 8/22: George has selected David Digby and Robin Marcus. The SC needs to choose 3 evaluators. The decisions for choosing the evaluation team will be made on-line.
- 6) Friday Night Beginner's Dance Class: The following motion passed: The class, which begins at 7:30pm, will take place on the main floor, instead of in the room above. It will continue there through September, and then it will be reevaluated whether it should stay there or go back to the room above. Reasons for this Motion: A) The room above is too hot in the summer; B) The room above separates the beginner dancers from the regular dancers. By the time they get downstairs to the main dance, the experienced dancers have all selected their first dance partners. When the class takes place on the main floor, the experienced dancers are more likely to dance with the beginner dancers and improve their dance experience.
- 7) November Dance Weekend:

- A) Lalah has *passed the torch* to Rachel Duys to be registrar
- B) A motion passed to approve Kimbi's proposed pricing structure which gives graduated discounts for early registration. She passed around a draft of the brochure which will detail the prices.
- C) A Motion passed to eliminate the English Country Workshop from the Saturday workshops. The reason is that we always lose money on it, because it needs a band and a caller, and we don't make enough money to pay for it.
- 8) Kristin and the Button Machine: Motion passed to allow Christin Whittington to use the Button Machine for the Sautee dance, but they have to supply their own material and coordinate with the ECD dance weekend in September
- 9) SC Nominating Committee: Brian pointed out that a nominating committee needs to be set up by October 1 to nominate the new SC members for next year.

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