

USA Dance Minnesota Chapter #2011 Board Minutes
Tuesday, February 13, 2024 6:33-8:34 pm
Hillside Church, Bloomington, MN

- I. **Call to order and roll call** – Maryann Kudalis, President, called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm with a roll call. Board members present: Wayne Holmgren, Vice President, Russell Alliev, Treasurer, Connie Knipp, Secretary, Suzi Blumberg, Vicki Nauschultz, Lee von Lehe, Jonathan Erickson, Russ Mountjoy, Su Anne Schloo, Sondra Traylor, and Diane Zielke. **Others present:** Carrie Sandgren, Editor, of the chapter's E-newsletter.
- II. **Approval of the Agenda** (Maryann) - It was moved to approve the agenda. (SB/ST). Motion passed.
- III. **Approval of the Minutes** (Maryann) It was moved & seconded to approve the January minutes. (SS/SB). Motion passed.
- IV. **Signing of documents** – Connie – The signatures on the Confirmation of Compliance paperwork was completed and Maryann signed one contract.
- V. **Reports**
 - A. **Treasurer's Report** – Russell gave the January Financial report. January Net \$1,248.00, Expenses: \$1,067.00. So far, 14 people have registered for the Tea Dance for \$770.
There was a motion to donate to the Heart of Dance. (JE/SB). There was discussion as to the amount of money to donate. Maryann asked Russell to go back about 8 – 10 years to see how much USA Dance has donated in the past. Motion passed.
Maryann asked Russell if USA Dance Chapter 2011 can donate to the Hillside Church of Bloomington since we use their meeting room on a monthly basis.
 - B. **E-Newsletter** – Carrie – The e-newsletter went out February 1st to 748 emails. Later Carrie reported that the e-Newsletter was opened by 565 (73%). There were 26 clicks to the links (3%). 1% bounced back and 1% unsubscribed. Lee will do interviews for March and April. Send newsletter articles to Diane during Carrie's vacation.
 - C. **Website** - Lee – We are going to place an ad for an assistant. Lee presented a spreadsheet comparing various dance venues and included: Curator, Type of Dance, Cost of Lessons, and their website.
 - D. **Monthly dances** – Maryann, Russ Mountjoy – Russ is going to take over Maryann's place at Monthly Dances. Johnathan is part of the committee, too.
 1. Russell mentioned that Mishiko's partner, Alina Khoroshevtseva, is available to teach at Monthly Dance or Project Dance.
 2. Admission charges for USA Dance will remain the same this year.
 3. Monthly Dance Schedule

Date	Location	Instructor	Lesson	Theme	DJ
Feb. 17	Cinema	Grace Jungers	Tango	Color: red	Russell
March 16	Cinema	TBD	Quickstep	St. Patrick's Day	

- E.** Project Dance - Wayne/Vicki - Wayne presented information on 2024 Attendance and In-Process and Contracted and In-Development Project Dance Sessions.
- F.** Publicity and Flyers – Nothing new to report at this time.
- G.** Tea Dance – Connie, Russell – Connie gave an update on the Tea Dance. It is Sunday, April 21st and Lafayette Club, Minnetonka, MN
Photographer: David Chin, DJ: Scott Anderson. On January 24th there was a virtual motion to allow Maryann to sign the contracts with David Chin and Lafayette Club. (CK) Motion passed. Entertainment includes: Nellie Sparkman & Russell Allieve and Janie and Andy Nordberg. We need one more couple to dance to allow for costume changes. Other items discussed included: Pricing, Flyers, students and miscellaneous items.

VI. Old Business

- A.** Health Workshop for Dancers – On hold until next month.

VII. New Business

- A.** Newsletter – See above
- B.** Studio Trips – On hold
- C.** Annual Membership drive – On hold
- D.** Added - Request for info for new board members. Sondra suggested setting up a list of items that new board members need to know which included directions for Google drive and other items.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 6:30 PM at Hillside Church, Bloomington, MN.

Meeting adjourned by Maryann at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Knipp, Secretary, USA Dance MN #2011