**Roll Call:** There are currently 17 filled seats on the Governing Council. A quorum consists of 9 or more members in attendance. A **quorum is present** as 11 members are in attendance. A By-Law amendment requires a ¾ vote of the filled seats; 0.75 X 17=12.75 so 13 votes would be required to amend the By-Laws.

1. Called to Order at 9:01 pm EDT.

2. The Agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

3. **Motion to enter Executive Session** (Greg/Ruth). Passed 11-0-0.

4. The GC left Executive Session at 9:40 pm.

Herb and Inna joined the meeting during Executive Session.

5. SafeSport Policy (Greg)
   A. **Motion to Approve revisions to the SafeSport policy** (Greg/Michael). Passed 13-0-0.
   B. **Motion to Approve proposed SafeSport education module** (Greg/Ruth). Passed 13-0-0.
   C. **Motion to require GC members, employees, and council members complete the education module by 10/8/18** (Greg/Herb). Passed 13-0-0.
6. DSC motions regarding Theatrical Ballroom (TB) will be presented at the next meeting.

7. Treasurer's Report (Ruth)
   A. The Treasurer reported on the current bank account balances, payables, and receivables.
   B. A problem has arisen with the Auditors / Tax Preparers for 2017 and they are declining to continue work until further notice. Gary will speak with them this week and if no agreement is reached, another professional auditor will be engaged. The IRS Form 990 needs to be completed before most state charity registration renewals, and there will be about $2300 in state penalties if they are filed late. Isler will be requested to pay any late fees should they continue to delay.
   C. The transition process from Esther to Karen has been completed.
   D. The final P&L for 2018 Nationals shows a loss of $13K.

   E. **Motion:** The fee for Pro-Am and Teacher-Student entries at USA Dance NQE/Sanctioned/Registered competitions shall be set at $3.50 per entry paid to USA Dance by the organizer, effective January 1, 2019 (Ruth/Greg). **Friendly Amendment** (Gary): to raise the fee from $3.50 to $5. Motion Failed 7-1-5. (Voting Nay: Herb; Abstaining: Don, Inna, Kirk, Michael, Roger.)

   F. **Motion:** All USA Dance events must offer USA Dance membership and opportunities for donation submission, along with appropriate literature, effective January 1, 2019 (Ruth/Roger). Passed 13-0-0.

   G. **Motion:** The fee for Pro-Am and Teacher-Student entries at USA Dance NQE and Sanctioned competitions shall be set at $5 per entry paid to USA Dance by the organizer, effective January 1, 2019 (Jack/Greg). Passed 12-1-0. (Ruth voted Nay.) [At a subsequent meeting the fee was reduced to $3, for pro/am and teacher/student entries at NQEs, Sanctioned, and Registered events, effective 2/10/19.] It was agreed the DSC, PDC and other interested parties will have four weeks to get back to the GC with proposed procedures for entry fee processing at Registered Events.

   H. **Motion:** the fee for attendance at a USA Dance National Training Camp will be $100 per National Champion and the fee for attendance at a USA Dance National Training Camp for non-National Champions will be $175, effective after the 2019 Nationals (Ruth/Jack). **Motion to TABLE** four weeks until 10/22/18 (Herb/Ruth). Motion to table passed 13-0-0.

   I. **Motion:** the fee for attendance at the NCDC for non-USA Dance members shall be $95.00. Ruth proposed and then withdrew the motion – also for further discussion in four weeks.

8. Social VP’s Report (Leland)
   **Motion to approve** $1000 for the current cycle chapter-of-the-year award and $250 for the current cycle volunteer-of-the-year award (Leland/Herb). Passed 13-0-0.
9. Gary called the next GC meeting for Monday 10/8/18 at 9 pm EDT.

10. Motion to Adjourn (Herb/Greg). Passed 13-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 11:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Kellner
National Secretary