



National Governing Body of DanceSport, Member Organization of the US Olympic Committee, and the World DanceSport Federation

MINUTES FOR GC MEETING January 14, 2019		
Voting Member	Title	In Attendance
Gary Stroick	President	Yes
Greg Warner	Senior VP	Yes
Jack Kellner	Secretary	No
Ruth Long	Treasurer	Yes
Giacomo Steccaglia	DanceSport VP	Yes
Melissa Dexter	Professional VP	No
Leland Whitney	Social VP	Yes
Roger Greenawalt	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Inna Brayer	DanceSport Delegate	Joined 9:05
Michael Murphy	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Damian Pataluna	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Herb McGurk	Membership Director	Joined 9:09
Kym Zion	K12 Programs Director	No
Open	Development Director	N/A
Open	Admin Support Director	N/A
Open	College Network Director	N/A
Don Davenport	Chapter Relations Director	Yes
Open	Marketing Director	N/A

Roll Call: There are currently 14 filled seats on the Governing Council. A quorum consists of 8 or more members in attendance. A **quorum is present** as 10 members are in attendance. A By-Law amendment requires a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of the filled seats; $0.75 \times 14 = 11$ votes would be required to amend the By-Laws.

1. **Called to Order** by Gary at 9:02 pm EDT
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Greg asked to have the Executive Session delayed until the end of the agenda. **Motion to Approve Revised Agenda** (Ruth/Greg) 8-0-0 Motion Passes.
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a. **Motion to Approve GC Minutes of December 27, 2018** (Greg/Ruth) 8-0-0 Motion Passes.
 - b. **Motion to Approve GC Minutes of January 7, 2019 A** (Greg/Ruth) 8-0-0 with recommendation to add surnames to newly appointed Directors.
 - c. **Motion to Approve GC Minutes of January 7, 2019 B, tabled.**
4. Discussion of Adjudicator’s examination tabled.
5. **President’s Report.** Gary reviewed the following:
 - a. Chapter web sites are being updated. Chapters may now add and delete local



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resources and articles. Other improvements are being made as the web sites are being migrated to PHP.

- b. A response has been submitted to the Ethics Committee as a result of a complaint by Mr. Mark Scardina.
 - c. Candidates for open Director positions are being scheduled for interviews.
 - d. We have not received a response from SESAC regarding contract negotiations.
 - e. The task group working on vision and values are asked to submit their results.
 - f. GMAIL is changing their approach to Contacts.
 - g. USA Dance organizers are requesting access to USA Dance membership email addresses. Greg was tasked with drafting a policy statement for GC consideration.
 - h. Minor revisions to the Election Policy was tabled.
- 6. Senior VP Report:** Greg reminded members of the importance of completing the 2019 Operational Work Plans. He also will meet with councils to discuss identifying and documenting USA Dance processes.
- 7. Treasurer Report:** Ruth is considering a policy to identify guidelines for Chapter directed donations. She and the Treasurer Assistant are creating a timeline to document legal filing requirements such as IRS 990 filings and state registrations. This is a component of documenting processes for USA Dance Internal Controls.
- 8. DanceSport:** Rog reported for Giacomo. **Motion to Approve Rule 5.2.1 (Rog/Damian) as follows:** RULE 5.2.1 Individuals organizing a USA Dance Sanctioned or National Qualifying Event must be a member of USA Dance. Where a Sanctioned event or National Qualifying Event is organized by a chapter, corporation, or similar entity, the individuals responsible for organizing the event on behalf of the organizing entity must be identified on the sanction request form and must be USA Dance members. **Motion Passes 10-0-0.**
- 9. Social Dance VP.**
- a. Chapter of the Year Recognition: Leland reported that nominations for 2018 Chapter of the Year have increased to 9 (from 3 Districts), up from 4 in 2017.
 - b. Volunteer of the Year Recognition: These nominations have increased from 3 in 2017, to 10 (from 6 Districts) in 2018.
 - c. District Directors are involved with reviewing and recommending recipients for recognition under these categories. Each recipient will receive a plaque recognizing their contributions to the Vision and Mision of USA Dance.



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10. Membership Director: Herb reported that he has initiated a survey with Chapter Presidents regarding membership issues using SocialLink. He invited GC members to participate in SocialLink education he is hosting.

11. Old Business – None

12. New Business – None

13. The next GC meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2019, at 9:00 PM Eastern

14. Executive Session: Motion to Enter Executive Session at 10:48 PM (Greg/Ruth) 10-0-0.

15. Executive Session and GC meeting adjourned at 11:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Warner
Senior VP