



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

MINUTES FOR GC MEETING 3/25/19		
Voting Member	Title	In Attendance
Gary Stroick	President	Yes
Greg Warner	Senior VP	Yes
Jack Kellner	Secretary	Yes
Ruth Long	Treasurer	Yes
Giacomo Steccaglia	DanceSport VP	No
Melissa Dexter	Professional VP	Yes
Leland Whitney	Social VP	Yes
Roger Greenawalt	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Inna Brayer	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Michael Murphy	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Damian Pataluna	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Herb McGurk	Membership Director	No
Kym Zion	K12 Programs Director	Yes
Open	Development Director	N/A
Open	Admin Support Director	N/A
Ross Pearce	College Network Director	Yes
Don Davenport	Chapter Relations Director	Yes
Natalie Foreverland	Marketing Director	Yes

**Roll Call:** There are currently 16 filled seats on the Governing Council. A quorum consists of 9 or more members in attendance. A **quorum is present** as 14 members are in attendance. A By-Law amendment requires a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote of the filled seats;  $0.75 \times 16$  so 12 votes would be required to amend the By-Laws.

1. Called to Order by Gary at 9:03 pm EDT.
2. **Motion to approve the minutes from 3/11/19** (Greg/Ruth). Passed 11-0-2. (Leland and Natalie abstained. Kym was not present at the time of the vote.)
3. **Motion to enter Executive Session** (Gary/Greg). Passed 14-0-0. The GC entered Executive Session at 9:07 pm.
4. The GC left Executive Session at 9:47 pm.
5. DSC Report (Michael)
  - A. The DSC proposed establishing a Nationals organizing committee headed by the SVP with representatives from the Professional Dance Council, Dancesport Council, and treasury department. Michael also suggested a tool which would monitor and track progress. A formal



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motion will be presented at the next meeting.

B. Ruth has submitted 2020 date reservation requests to UVU for the same facility which is booked for this year's Nationals. We await their reply.

C. **Motion to move the reporting of the National Team Training Program from the DSC to the GC, under a new subcommittee of the GC (Michael/Ruth).** Passed 14-0-0.

#### 6. Treasurer's Report (Ruth)

A. Ruth reported on the financials of the 2019 MAC. \$48K was paid from the national treasury to the hotel. The Greater NY Chapter still has over \$7K left in their bank account, to cover a deposit on next year's venue. The chapter is negotiating a lower price for the 2020 venue than under the old contract.

B. Ruth reported on this year's Nationals' financials. Over \$58K in registration revenue has been received thus far. The venue's total cost is \$29,784 and the floor's cost is \$12K. Ruth said we will be able to lower the venue's cost by supplying volunteers to work in place of some the venue's personnel staffing. Last year's total adjudicator bill was \$40K; Ruth thinks it will be a bit lower this year due to the reduced cost of food and hotel rooms in Utah, the savings somewhat offset by higher airfares.

C. Ruth reported we have taken in about \$9K in entry fees and another \$20K in donations for NCDC.

D. **Motion: social security numbers will not be not required for a scholarship to be awarded at NCDC (Ruth/Inna).** Passed 14-0-0.

E. Karen (Treasurer Assistant) has moved to Florida.

F. 60% of chapters have reported their year-end financial information as required. All chapter bank accounts at Wells Fargo and PNC have been balanced.

#### 7. SVP's Report (Greg)

Greg discussed developing an overall membership strategy, including providing chapters with helpful tools and education, and creating a rationale for growing the membership.

#### 8. President's Report (Gary)

A. **Motion to approve four contracts with Halls, and Drape Kings in the amounts of \$1086, \$967, \$3645 and \$1071, for tables, chairs, stools, fabric, etc., for NCDC (Gary/Ruth).** Passed 14-0-0.

B. **Motion to approve two contracts with 1896 Catering in the total amount of \$2200 for food at NCDC (Gary/Ruth).** Passed 14-0-0.

C. **Motion to reconcile conflicting Showdance Rulebook sections 3.3.2.4.1 and 3.3.2.4.4 to 60% consistent with WDSF rules (Gary/Damian).** Passed 14-0-0.

D. USOC / MSOC elections for vice chair are forthcoming. Deadline is Friday. Gary asked the DSC for a recommendation for our vote.



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- E. Three representatives will be sent by USA Dance to the WDSF AGM in Budapest.
  - F. Mr. Ken Richards has appealed a decision of the Ethics Committee. Because Mr. Richards chose to file his appeal with the GC and not the AAA, the GC voted to provide its authority to hear and decide the appeal to a panel of GC members not named in the underlying complaint. Motion by Michael/Second Ruth 11-0-3, Motion Passes Greg, Damian and Ross abstained.
  - G. Auditors are being interviewed for the 2018 annual audit. Two bids have been received, \$9K and \$11.5K, each one a cost savings over the \$14.2 which we paid for last year's audit.
9. Gary called the next meeting for Monday April 8, 2019 at 9 pm EDT.
10. **Motion to Adjourn** (Gary/Ruth). Passed 14-0-0. Motion adjourned at 10:50 pm EDT.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack Kellner  
National Secretary

**Email Vote, 3/26/2019**

**Motion for email vote and motion to approve a contract for \$548 with iRentProjectors for the NCDC** (Gary/Greg). Motions passed 12-0-0 on 3/28/2019.

Yeas: Greg, Ross, Kym, Michael, Don, Gary, Ruth, Giacomo, Melissa, Jack, Herb, Leland