



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

MINUTES FOR GC MEETING JULY 15, 2019		
Voting Member	Title	In Attendance
Gary Stroick	President	Yes
Greg Warner	Senior VP	Yes
Open	Secretary	NA
Ruth Long	Treasurer	Yes Left 10:20
Giacomo Steccaglia	DanceSport VP	Yes 9:10
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	Yes 10:52
Kym Zion	K12 Programs Director	Yes Left 9:53
Open	Development Director	N/A
Open	Admin Support Director	N/A
Ross Pearce	College Network Director	Yes
Don Davenport	Chapter Relations Director	No
Natalie Foreverland	Marketing Director	Yes

Roll Call: There are currently 15 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; 0.75×15 so 12 votes would be required to amend the By-Laws.

1. Gary called the meeting to order at 9:02 Eastern. A quorum is present.
2. Agenda Approval: Motion to approve agenda with minor adjustments (Greg/Melissa). MOTION PASSES 11/0/0
3. MOTION to approve USA Dance GC minutes dated, May 20, 2019 (Greg/Ruth) MOTION PASSES 8/0/3. Abstentions due to absences.
4. MOTION to approve USA Dance GC minutes dated, June 24, 2019 (Greg/Gary). MOTION PASSES 12/0/0.
5. MOTION to enter in to Executive Session (Greg/Gary). MOTION PASSES 12/0/0. Enter Executive Session at 9:08.
6. MOTION to exit Executive Session (Rog/Gary) at 9:15. MOTION PASSES 13/0/0. Exit Executive Session 9:15.
7. World Games: Melissa reminded the GC the World Games are scheduled for July 15-25, 2021, in Birmingham, AL. She will send around additional information. Several



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decisions will need to be discussed and decided. These will be brought forward at the appropriate times.

8. MOTION for Rule Book Change: The Professional Council is recommending the following Rule Book Change at 2.2.13.3.3:
 - a. The current rule is: 2.2.13.3.3 National Certified Adjudicator: certified at the A+, B+, C+ and D+ classifications. WDSF licensed adjudicators are considered National Certified Adjudicators in all dance styles with “+” certification. (i.e. Standard A+, Latin B+, Smooth C+ and Rhythm D+)
 - b. The proposed change would eliminate the second sentence and will read:
 - i. 2.2.13.3.3 National Certified Adjudicator: certified at the A+, B+, C+ and D+ classifications.
 - c. MOTION to APPROVE (Melissa/Rog). MOTION PASSES 13/0/0.
9. MOTION from Professional Council: To move the Professional Athletes memberships from the Professional Council to the DanceSport Council (Melissa/Rog) 13/0/0. MOTION PASSES.
10. BYLAW MOTION: MOTION to amend bylaw, Article X, A. Administrative Committees, A.2. Members (Michael/Giacomo). The current language reads, “MEMBERS: Members of Administrative Committees other than Nominations and Elections Committee are appointed by the President.”
 - a. The MOTION is to add the language, “...and ratified by the GC.”
 - b. A roll call vote was held with the following results:
 - i. Gary – No
 - ii. Greg – Yes
 - iii. Ruth – No
 - iv. Giacomo – Yes
 - v. Melissa – Yes
 - vi. Leland – Yes
 - vii. Rog – Yes
 - viii. Inna – Yes
 - ix. Michael – Yes
 - x. Damian – Yes
 - xi. Kym – Abstain
 - xii. Ross - Yes
 - xiii. Natalie - No



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- c. Final vote - 9/3/1.
- d. MOTION FAILS as a bylaw change requires a 75% majority or 12 votes in the affirmative.

11. President's Report:

- a. Gary shared a schedule for Directors, Committees, Councils, to submit update reports. Highlights from the Directors' reports will be noted at GC meetings. Other reports should be reviewed by GC members and questions directed to the author of the report. He also reviewed a template for reporting. It was suggested that certain diversification activities Breakin and Special Olympics, for example, be added to this schedule and the Committee reports include committee membership. Greg will edit the form to comply and add the diversification activities as requested.
- b. Diversification Activity Responsibilities: Gary noted the following responsibilities:
 - i. Breakin – Ruth
 - ii. Special Olympics – Greg
 - iii. AAU – Gary
- c. At a certain point in the evolution of these developmental discussions, a more formal approach is required. Breakin is at that point. To that end, Gary proposed the formation of a Breakin Committee consisting of USA Dance and Breakin members (Gary/Greg). Michael move to Table (Michael/Giacomo) until further information was available such as charge, membership, reporting responsibilities, etc. (8/4/1) MOTION PASSES. Motion to form Breakin Committee, tabled. The information will be gathered and sent for an email vote as this group is at a critical stage of development and this formalization is necessary.
- d. Strategic Planning and SWOT Analysis:
 - i. Gary reviewed strategic planning and SWOT analysis from the 2017 GC F2F meeting. This information will be used to continue this process. Members are asked to review the information for further discussion at the next GC meeting.

12. Director Reports:

- a. Ross reviewed progress with planning the 2020 NCDC. A venue is closed to being secured and the budget is being finalized. Greg requested that the budget be



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sent to the Treasurer for review prior to being submitted to the GC for consideration.

- b. Gary reviewed the Administrative Support review noting his work with contracts, trademarks and negotiating music licenses.
 - c. Herb noted the Membership and Ethics reports.
13. American Dancer: Greg asked the status of American Dancer as we are two weeks late in our commitment to our members. The magazine will be available July 22.
14. Next GC Meeting: Gary called for the next GC meeting on August 12, 2019.
15. Motion To Adjourn (Greg/Herb). MOTION PASSES 11/0/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Warner
Acting Secretary

GC EMAIL VOTE: July 18, 2019

MOTION to approve email vote (Gary/Greg)

MOTION to approve Breakin' Committee (Gary/Greg)

Both Motions Pass 12/0/0