



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

MINUTES FOR GC MEETING December 16, 2019		
Voting Member	Title	In Attendance
Gary Stroick	President	Yes
Greg Warner	Senior VP	Yes
Fiorenza Todaro	Secretary	Yes
Ruth Long	Treasurer	Yes
Giacomo Steccaglia	DanceSport VP	Yes
Melissa Dexter	Professional VP	Yes at 9:11
Yang Chen	Guest	Yes at 9:53 - left at 10:18
Leland Whitney	Social VP	No
Roger Greenawalt	DanceSport Delegate	Yes at 10:10
Inna Brayer	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Michael Murphy	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Damian Pataluna	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Herb McGurk	Membership Director	Yes
Open	K12 Programs Director	N/A
Open	Development Director	N/A
Open	Admin Support Director	N/A
Ross Pearce	College Network Director	Yes
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 9 or more members in attendance. A **quorum is present** as 13 members are in attendance. A Bylaw amendment requires a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote of the filled seats;  $0.75 \times 14$  so 11 votes would be required to amend the By-Laws.

**Call to Order:** Gary called the meeting to order at 9:03 PM Eastern time.

- He assigned Ruth to be the moderator for tonight’s meeting

**Approval of Agenda:**

- Motion to approve the agenda of GC 2019-16-02 (Greg/Ruth).
- MOTION PASSES 11/0/0

**Approval of Minutes:** the December 2, 2019 GC minutes will be circulated via e-mail or presented at the next GC meeting.



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### **2020 Budget Progress:**

- Ruth presented the current balance of all the bank accounts as of December 16, 2019 and a proposed budget covering income for athlete, social ballroom, and professional memberships as well as expenses for all different sectors of the organization
- The proposed budget also included overhead expenses and reserves for investments or losses.

### **Audit Report:**

- The auditors submitted their final audit report. The report will be published along with the 990.

### **990 Form:**

- The 990 was filed. Ruth has received notification from the IRS indicating that the form was received, is under review, and that there are no problems with it.

### **NCDC Contracts:**

1. Contract for the **South Loop Hotel in Chicago:** hotel for officials for NCDC Nationals in March 2020. Motion to approve the contract (Ross/ Greg). MOTION PASSES 12/0/0
2. Contract for **Claremont College:** this will provide a per person stipend to travel to the event. Expenses will be covered by donors. Motion to approve the contract (Ross/Ruth). MOTION PASSES 12/0/0.
3. Contract for **Rowan University:** this will provide a per person stipend to travel to the NCDC event. Expenses will be covered by donors. Motion to approve the contract (Ross/Ruth). MOTION PASSES 12/0/0.
4. **Susan Silva:** A Letter of Agreement for use of her theatrical ballroom syllabus and theatrical exams was reviewed. Motion to approve the agreement (Melissa / Fiorenza). MOTION PASSES 12/0/0.



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**THE MAC 2020:**

- Yang Chen gave an update on the MAC 2020.
- Chen presented two possible scenarios:
  1. promote heavily between now and the beginning of the MAC
  2. cancel the competition which would incur losses.
- Yang feels that promoting heavily and encouraging couples to participate to MAC 2020 will help raise the number of participants. Direct outreach, one on one calls and emails is the best way to encourage couples to consider attending the MAC.
- Yang will communicate status to the GC at the next meeting.
- Yang also presented an update on the New York area dance community. The New York chapter has lost members. He discussed possible strategies to grow the membership, reintegrate the New York dance community and rebuild the New York Chapter.

**Executive Session:**

- Motion to enter executive session (Greg / Ruth). MOTION PASSES 13/0/0. Enter executive session at 10:15PM ET
- Motion to exit executive session (Greg / Herb ). MOTION PASSES 13/0/0. Exit executive session at 10:52PM

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Governing Council is scheduled for December 30, 2019, at 9:00 PM Eastern Time.

**Meeting Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 11:01 PM Eastern Time

Respectfully submitted,

Fiorenza Todaro, Secretary



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E-mail Vote and Approval:

December 13, 2019

Motion to conduct e-mail vote and approve the Marriott Hotel contract for Nationals 2020 in  
Orem

Motion by Gary, seconded by Fiorenza

Motion passes 10/0/0