

Appendix C

Operations Committee Conference Call – Thursday, March 27 – 4:30 pm EDT – 4:59 EDT

Henry Bial, President
Nina LeNoir, Treasurer
Patricia Ybarra, President-Elect
David Kaye, VP for Membership & Marketing
Sonja Kufinec, VP for 2014 Conference
Barabra Parisi, MAL for Operations (Not attending)
Bill Doan, Immediate Past President (Not attending)
Terry Brino-Dean, Secretary (Not attending)
Nancy Erickson, Executive Director – minute taker

Henry Bial called the meeting to order at 3:36 pm CDT/4:36 EDT.

I. Approval of Minutes

Nina LeNoir moved, and Patricia Ybarra seconded the approval of the minutes. They were approved unanimously.

II. Contracts – Shaun Franklin-Sewell, Communications Manager

David Kaye moved, and Patricia Ybarra seconded the acceptance of the proposed contract. Approved unanimously.

III. Budget issues – Nina LeNoir

A. 2015 revised budget - Nina discussed the changes in the budget since the January meeting.

- 1) The 5 months of estimated fees for the new management company was not previously included (\$50,000).
- 2) These expenses are offset by a withdrawal from assets (savings or checking acct) of \$50,000.
- 3) Under General Office, the \$36,708 includes \$30,000 for Oct 1 – Dec. 31, 2014 transition fees and the remainder for Erickson & Assoc. transition fees.
- 4) The Conference Food & Beverage line item was increased from \$55,000 to \$60,000 to pay for the addition of the food at the Friday night performance.
- 5) The LI line item was decreased by \$1,000 to help balance the budget.
- 6) The final net revenue is \$292.

B. Directing Program FG proposed a journal within the Society of Stage Directors and Choreographers Journal. This proposal was brought to Henry by Ann Shanahan, DP FRG, after preliminary discussions for a peer-reviewed journal within the SSDC journal. Henry outlined the potential issues this request raises regarding the use of the ATHE logo for a FG publishing in another organization's journal and other potential risks and liability factors for this type of arrangement. Nina raised the question about who would own the content of the journal within a journal. Most felt that the proposal was interesting, and there was consensus that conversation and research should move forward.

Henry raised the issue of creating policy that would serve for more than just this situation, but could cover other issues related to publishing by other FGs who are separately incorporated non-profits with journals. Nina asked about the alternative of no formal affiliation but rather having

individuals who would contribute articles to the SSDC journal. The discussion will be continued with Bob Schanke. Nancy will contribute information from her phone call with the attorney.

IV. Transition – Henry asked for comments about the request from Heather Nathans, President of ASTR, to hold interviews in AZ if the timing coincides with interested AMCs. There was consensus that this was OK.

V. Adjourn –Nina moved and David seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting ended at 3:59 pm CDT.

Submitted by,

Nancy Erickson, Executive Director