

Board Minutes January 19, 2016

Call to order at 5:47 by Co-President Dave Eppelheimer

Present: Dave Eppelheimer, Brandon Heitzmann, Karen Kania, Peg McClure, Birthe Johannesen, Dale Shannon, Kim Kennedy, Gerry Wheeler. Absent: Ruby Watson

Brandon served as recording secretary. Discussion of Ruby's work schedule making it difficult for her to serve as secretary. Birthe will call Ruby and discuss options, including stepping down, if Ruby should find that a preference.

Treasurer's Report by Birthe. Ending December 2015 balance: \$6701.94

Vice Presidents' report: Discussed possibility of sharing caller with Flutterbyes at dance in future. No callers for Fly-In 2017, yet.

Fly-In report: Kim reported that he is trying to check in with folks at Latvian Hall. The Hampton Inn was determined to be too pricey at 10% off \$190 plus \$12 daily parking fee. Karen volunteered to check with the Country Inn at the East Beltline and I-96. We used this last year and she knows a contact there. Catering is all set.

Committee sign-ups will be available at the next meeting (Tuesday, 1/26). Confirm if Ruby wants to continue as Fly-In co-chair.

Old Business: Gerry brought up need for more time for C class. Possible combos depending on number of members dancing at each of the four levels we serve. The board will gather information on the current dance level of our members through indicating on the attendance sheet.

Styling nights: Board would like callers' to meet (with Judy as liaison and input on Flutterbye styling) to determine Fly-In styling to be taught, and Flutterbye styling to be taught. Aim is to enable all to know styling for our upcoming Flyl-In where dancers from other gay clubs will attend, and to enable our members to feel comfortable at Flutterbye dances.

A callers' meeting will be scheduled when Chuck gets back. Our callers made it clear they are always open to ideas and requests.

New Business: Karen and Peg as our Fly-In Potluck Committee chairpersons, asked about the possibility of purchasing dinnerware for our Fly-Ins. The board approved of them investigating possible choices with the approval of eventually purchasing about one hundred plates.

Judy and Rick Magnuson have asked if they can be insured by the club even though they are not members. Although, according to our insurance agent, non-members can be insured as long as they are named, we as a board do not wish to pursue this option. Rather, we would like to encourage the Magnusons and any others wanting to be insured to join the club. Insurance is a privilege for membership. In addition, Dave wants to appoint Judy as official liaison between the GR Squares and The Flutterbyes, and feels this liaison should be a member of both groups.

New student fee and bereavement verification as an agenda item was tabled to the next meeting.

Next meeting will be February 16, with Board meetings in general to be at 5:45 on the third Tuesday of each month with the exception of April which shall be the second Tuesday (before Fly-In).

Adjourned: 6:59 p.m.