Metropolitan Chicago Association of Square Dancers-MCASD

Executive Board Meeting Minutes-via Zoom

Saturday, August 20, 2022

**Attendance:** Frankie Terry, Janice Cha, Darlene Kulpa, Marilyn Heinemann, Larry Campbell, Duane Bradley, June Bradley, Robert Bradley, Pat Glass, Jim Glass, Jules Heinemann, Bill Neurauter, Pat Semple, Christine Steffy. A quorum was met. Meeting opened at 10:02.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by C Steffy to approve the agenda; second by B Neurauter. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by C Steffy to approve the minutes of June meeting; second by J Cha. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report:** June-July and August preliminary reports sent to members prior to meeting. Fiscal year ended July 31. As of 7/31/2022 checking account was $13,855.93 and CD amount was $7,825.01. Total was $21,680.94. August 2022 preliminary-checking account balance $12,080.94, the same CD balance of $7,825.01 for a grand total of $19,905.95.

All clubs have paid dues except for Diamond Circulators. F Terry will contact Gloria Clay of Diamond Circulators. J Cha will submit invoices of ~$140 for the UCan Square Dance website to the treasurer. The treasurer’s report was filed for audit.

**President’s Report:** Welcome to Janice Cha as our new Vice President. F Terry received approval from Trinity Lutheran to hold the September and December General Meetings at the church. She also received approval to hold the Pumpkin Ball at Trinity on October 23. Barry Johnson will provide the sound equipment at a cost of $250. C Steffy and James Cha will oversee packing up equipment (especially electronics) and F Terry will store them at her home for Barry to pick up. L Campbell, treasurer asked F Terry to verify fees for the two meetings and the Pumpkin Ball.

**VP Report:** J Cha will be organizing 3-4 new dancer dances and will ask the hosting clubs to take the lead w/ MCASD support.

**Secretary’s Report:** NR

**Insurance:** B Neurauter thanked the treasurer for the club report which helped him to cross check for membership and insurance.

**Webmaster:** Updates are sent to Brian Robinson and he continues to maintain the squaredancechicago.com website. An email was sent to clubs reminding them that they are responsible for updating their own dances and lessons on the site. Some clubs have mistakenly listed dances twice. C Steffy will check for a *Delete button.* Motion by C Steffy for MCASD to allot $100 honorarium to Brian Robinson for his maintenance and continued work on the website; second by J Cha. Motion passed. A check will be sent from the treasurer following contact by C Steffy.

A clarification and reminder were given concerning clubs advertising on social media. Posting information or flyers on MCASD FB group will only be seen by current dancers and will not bring in new dancers. If a club wants to post on FB for new dancers they need to ask their friends to pass it along elsewhere so non-dancers may be aware. J Cha will contact the club that is currently posting. MCASD will be planning some sessions on publicity for clubs. This can possibly be ongoing Zoom sessions.

**SCISDA:** Duane Bradley reported that no site has been found yet for the 2023 Illinois convention. He stated progress is moving slowly.

**Newsnotes:** NR

**Friendship:** NR

**Historian:** NR Status of microphones is unknown. F Terry will contact Randy.

**Publicity:** The UCanSquareDance committee is meeting almost weekly. All of the intro dances are posted. They have received several inquiries that have been forwarded to clubs located near the prospective dancers. Pam Berg will be researching SEO. Ads have been posted and the committee is tracking responses. The recent UCSQD zoom was attended by 10-12 people. The zoom was recorded and will be available to members.

**Pumpkin Ball:** A draft flyer was available for review. Discussion on vax/masking. Motion by P Glass to advertise on the flyer stating “masks recommended” with no statement regarding vaccinations. J Cha seconded. Motion passed with 1 opposed. Decided that admission will be $10 at door only. Discussion on length of dance, locations of different levels, and overall schedule. It was decided: dance-2-5pm. Small gym-SSD 2-~4:15. Big gym -Rounds 2-2:30; alternating Plus and rounds until ~4:15. 4:15-5pm – costume/announcements/all-skate in big gym. Refreshments: No food served. Water available in bottles and coffee. A donation basket will be located next to the drinks. Caller room will have light snacks and drinks. As mentioned in President’s report, Barry Johnson will provide sound system. Re-Sale: No fee will be charged however each club that participates is responsible for set-up, pricing, money collection, and clean up of their items. If a club is interested in participating in the Re-Sale, they need to contact Frankie Terry.

**Budget:** The budget for 2022-23 was presented by L Campbell. Following discussion C Steffy motioned to accept budget as presented. J Cha seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by D Bradley with second by D Kulpa. Meeting adjourned at 11:49am.

Minutes submitted by

Marilyn Heinemann, Co-Secretary

**2022 Executive Board Meetings: November 19**

**2022 General Meetings: September 18, December 4**

**General Meetings will be in person at Trinity Lutheran Church, Roselle, IL**