

GRAND BODY MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by the President, Denise Bryant at 8:00 a.m.

2. **ROLL CALL OF OFFICER**

All officers were present with the exception of Butch Theisen.

3. **ELECTION OF CANDIDATES TO MEMBERSHIP**

The Secretary recommended the acceptance to membership of BreAnna Liberto.
Seconded by Tammy Taylor. Motion carried.

The Secretary recommended the acceptance to membership of Shama Carson.
Seconded by Tammy Taylor. Motion carried.

The Secretary recommended the acceptance of Rachil Reynolds as a degreed member.
Seconded by Tammy Taylor. Motion carried.

The Oath of Obligation was given by Joan Wine to Shama Carson and BreAnna Liberto..

4. **READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Secretary moved to dispense with the reading of the Oct. minutes.

5. **REPORT OF TREASURER**

Treasurer's report was read. Money Market balance \$7,888.38. Endowment Fund \$144,264.91. The Secretary reminded members that if a workshop shows a significant gain in receipts that a certain percentage would be withdrawn from checking to be replaced in the Endowment Fund.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Susan Barr stated that she will have taxes filed by the end of the month.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

No report.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

PUBLICITY

Evalyn Tirikos needs newsworthy information for newsletter. She also requested that a bio from each new member be sent to her for publication.

FRIENDSHIP - Diana Horvath reported gifts and cards had been sent to members and families. The raffle at the closed convention netted \$100.00. The expenses were \$49.16. A 50/50 raffle will take place during the luncheon today.

HOSPITALITY – Stephanie Pritchard distributed a survival kit. Our charity student this year is Savannah Cooper. Teachers should submit names of students that qualify. The percentage of monies raised would be awarded to that student - 75%. The percentage of 25% would be given to Children’s Network Charity. In Newark we will discuss the making of blankets to be presented to children’s hospitals.

CONVENTION

Everything is good.

FACULTY – Faculty is: Jill Wollins, ballet – Anthony Russo, tap – Chris King, Jazz.

CHILDREN’S SESSION

Colleen explained the participation form for students is on the website. They should not be turned in to Colleen or Evalyn. A Shining Star certificate will be awarded to the student selected by the faculty for each class this weekend. T shirts will be on hand for the next convention.

EXAMINATION

Exams were given during the weekend to Shama Carson and BreAnna Liberto.

RULES COMMITTEE REPORT

Dawn stated that DMA has added Collaboration to their rules. It will be added to our rules. Music for March convention must be uploaded 2 weeks prior to the convention. Check website for all additional rules.

PAGEANTS

There are 25 girls for Miss Dance and 1 boy for Mr. Dance. Diana Evans Pulliam is the choreographer for the opening number. Deadline for Young Titles is Dec. 22.

PERFORMING ARTS COMPETITION

Dawn Dembrosky reminded members that all entries must be entered through Dance Comp Genie. She also stated that teachers will be asked to help out during the competition in some capacity. They will be sent their job description.

SCHOLARSHIP AUDITION

No report.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND DRIVE

New items will be available.

TROPHIES

Stephanie Pritchard stated that High Gold and Platinum awards will receive pins and plaques. Every entry will receive a plaque. Judges will give ribbons for their awards. Trophies will be awarded to the top 6 overall routines.

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

Dawn Slemmons said applicants should be 12 yrs. by June 1 to be a member. The applications are due by Dec. 31. The fee is \$25.00 for returning members and \$30.00 for first time members. A Chinese auction will be held in March. Two scholarships are awarded to summer intensives.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Colleen received 8 applications. She will meet with her committee to review the essays and credentials for the candidates and a decision will be made to select the top 5. The Interviews will take place in Newark.

7. READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary read notes from Trudy Cultice, Courtney Kelley, Kathy Meyer and Dawn Slemmons.

8. DELEGATE'S REPORT

The report can be found on the ODM web page.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The process for the Partnership Scholarship Audition classes to be held in Newark was explained. It will be held Saturday, Feb. 3 in the morning. Applicants must be registered for the convention and ages are 16-24.

Kathi Halbert moved to charge a fee of \$25.00 for scholarship audition. Seconded by Heidi Rogols. Motion carried.

10. NEW BUSINESS

Suzy Straub made a point that all rules should be in place and posted for Title Competitions in the future. This discussion pertained to the upsetting withdrawal of her contestants due to a serious dance injury.

Tammy Taylor moved to accept the corrections of the By-Laws. Seconded by Susan Barr. Motion carried.

11. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election took place.

President: Denise Bryant – Secretary cast a unanimous ballot.

1st Vice President: Michele Rexroad – Secretary cast a unanimous ballot.

2nd Vice President: Colleen Rhode – Secretary cast a unanimous ballot.

Treasurer: Butch Theisen – Secretary cast a unanimous ballot.

Secretary: Noreen Rhode – Denise Bryant cast a unanimous ballot.

Principal: Kathi Halbert – Secretary cast a unanimous ballot.

Directors: Nominated: Stephanie Pritchard, Evalyn Tirikos, Jill Garlock, Diana Horvath, Megan Dragoo, Dara Berman Cheung.

Elected: Stephanie Pritchard, Jill Garlock, Diana Horvath, Megan Dragoo, Dara Berman Cheung.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be February 2-4, 2018 in Newark.

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

Megan Drago has set up a Group Me app. This will be helpful during convention weekends. Members aren't too sure how it works yet.

Members would like to have some type of class arranged for teachers only. It could incorporate various learning techniques, music editing, etc. This idea would be worked on and set up as a special class for teachers only in February.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.