

GRAND BODY MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the President, Michele Rexroad at 8:03 am.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICER

All officers were present.

ELECTION OF CANDIDATES TO MEMBERSHIP

The Secretary read the motion to accept the membership of Justin Chapel. Butch Theisen seconded. Motion carried. Please note: his membership will go into effect Sept. 1, 2019 for the next fiscal year.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Denise Bryant moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Butch Theisen seconded. Motion carried.

REPORT OF TREASURER

The balance in the PNC Checking account totals \$179,237.82. Three members used their pay pal account for payment. There was a loss of \$149.93 from the Newark Convention.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Susan Barr asked for permission to hire an attorney to help with the process of acquiring the 501 (C3) status.

The money market balance is \$4,738.23. The Endowment Fund is \$174,474.64. Since our Gross income will exceed \$200,00.00 this year, our tax bracket will be much higher. It will be necessary to hire someone to prepare the taxes.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Tammy Taylor and Denise Bryant hope to have a budget in place by August.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLICITY – A great newsletter was distributed by Evalyn Tirikos. She reminded members to send pictures and studio information.

FRIENDSHIP - Diana Horvath reported many cards and gifts had been sent to members and members' families. Her expenses totaled \$1543.61. The raffle in Newark brought in \$115.00. Refer to printed report.

HOSPITALITY

Stephanie Pritchard passed out little treats. The Outreach program is progressing very nicely.

FACULTY – Faculty for the weekend are Kurtis Sprung, Jazz – Jackie Warren, Tap – Ana Lobe, Ballet – Beth Ann Robinson, Ballet – Justin Lewis, Tap – Elyse Dakin, Modern – Valerie Moore, Jazz.

CONVENTION

Noreen apologized for the confusion on rooms during the check-in period on Thursday. The double rooms were sold to another group who had not checked out as of our check-in time. The Public Auditorium ran very smoothly during the 3 days. Members were concerned about the lengthy days and discussed possibly using 2 stages – equal size - to run simultaneously for the entire weekend for PAC. Perhaps a new venue would have to be considered.

The dates for 2020 in Cleveland will be one week later.

CHILDREN'S SESSION

Colleen and Evalyn reported the classes were filled to the max. Members were asked to assist in all 3 rooms. The students were very well behaved – Seven free conventions for next year were awarded to the Star Dancers in each class.

EXAMINATION

There are 8 prospects for examination during the next year.

RULES COMMITTEE REPORT

Dawn clarified the rules for Competitive and Elite Divisions. If a dancer studies 4 hours per dance a week she will be considered a Competitive dancer. If she studies five hours or more she will be considered an Elite dancer. No decimals may be used.

National requires male dancers to acquire a score of 89% in their Talent presentation in order to win the title. ODM has always required 85% of the Talent Score. Since we need to abide by DMA rules, this rule will be changed during the August summer meeting.

MISS/MR. DANCE PAGEANT

Hannah Cabral and Stephan Davis will represent ODM in Atlanta this summer.

The Young Titles: Master Dance – Hudson Rich
Petite Miss Dance – Haydyn Jackson
Junior Miss Dance – Rylie Kuhn
Teen Miss Dance – Braylan Enscoe
Teen Mr. Dance – Jacob Sharpnack

They will also be representing ODM in Atlanta
Megan Drago will be the Director for the coming year. She requested that each teacher turn music into her so she has it on hand if needed. The Secretary asked that all National information, forms, monies, etc. be sent to her by April 4.

PERFORMING ARTS COMPETITION

Competition was running very smoothly. Need to discuss long days and late evenings. We do not want to turn away entries – it is possible that this large amount of entries will not happen again soon.

SCHOLARSHIP AUDITION

Scholarship Audition classes went very well considering the large turnout for all age levels.

PARTNER SCHOLARSHIP

The Auditions in February went very well. Unfortunately there were not many students in attendance. Every student was awarded a summer intensive scholarship to Pointe Park College. The Director, Denise, asked that teachers notify her as to whether the student would be attending the intensive during the summer.

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

The checking account has \$7000.00. There is a profit so far of \$800 from the Chinese Auction. The Auction will close early afternoon. The Jr. Member performance went very well.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND DRIVE

Items are selling very well but running short on inventory.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Savannah Cooper is the winner of the \$1000.00 College Scholarship. The picture of the winner should be placed in the February brochure. The second place winner, Miss Fischer, received \$700.00 - \$300.00 each was awarded to Miss Bellamy and Abby Buchanan.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary stated that Mary Vadala would be receiving her 25 Yr. membership pin and Elaine Park would be receiving her 50 Yr. membership pin.
The music licensing fees are due to DMA April 1.

DMA National Conventions: Presidential Scholarship: Susan Barr
Mary Louise Megert: Dara Berman Cheung
TTS: Courtney Kelly, Rachel Magliola, Heidi Rogols

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The Closed Convention will take place at the studio of Suzie Straub near end of Sept. (date not confirmed).

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m.