

Austin Ballroom Dancers

Board Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 5:58 pm.

Board Members Present: Margaret Melton, Mark Coughran, Fred Ferate, June Kelly, Lanette Bading. Quorum was established.

Meeting Minutes

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2019 meeting.

Officer Reports

- 1. President:** Margaret mentioned that a priority is to get candidates for the expiring Board positions (VP, Treasurer, Program Director) and the vacant Publicity Officer position.
- 2. Vice President:** Fred Ferate will accompany Mark Coughran as the 2nd Board Member on Duty for the May 4 dance.
- 3. Secretary:** The minutes for the March 23 Board Meeting have been distributed, and three e-mail flyers have been sent out since March 23.
- 4. Treasurer:** The Board reviewed and accepted the Treasurer's detailed financial report for March 2019.
 1. Net income in March (Total Income – Total Expenses = \$2,748.43 - \$2,245.06) was \$503.37, and net income for 2019 was \$1,880.08.
 2. The change in Total Current Assets from a year ago (March 31, 2018) is \$494.42, with Total Current Assets as of March 31, 2019 = \$22,026.17.
- 5. Program Director:** ABD is still searching for additional persons who can serve as substitute instructors.
- 6. Publicity Officer (Interim):** No report.

Old Business

1. **Current Election Committee update:** There is still no candidate for the vacant Publicity Officer position. (ABD bylaws require that a candidate for the Board have been a member in good standing for at least one year.)
2. **ASCAP recap:** Margaret recently received a message from a company claiming to be able to “help” ABD comply with copyright laws (for money). The Board believes that ABD already complies with copyright laws, and ABD will only answer messages from ASCAP on this topic.

New Business

1. **Election Committee for June Election:** The Election Committee has not yet been formed. Mark Coughran, present VP, has indicated that he will be a candidate for the next term of VP (and therefore, according to the bylaws, cannot be on the Election Committee). The Board wishes to emphasize to all members of ABD that ABD is a volunteer organization, and cannot function without the support of its members, such as serving on the Election Committee or being a candidate for office. The ABD bylaws state that the nomination period begins 7 weeks before the election, and the members shall be informed in writing at least 2 weeks before the election meeting as to the names of the candidates. The Board hopes to hold the election at our June 22 dance, and thus the nomination period begins on Saturday May 4.
2. **Class schedule for July-December 2019:** To address the preferences of some of the members, the Board asked Lanette and June to readjust the 2019 schedule to include one or two sessions of hustle.
3. **Possible Workshop on July 2:** Lanette will approach one of our instructors about the possibility of an intermediate-level workshop on Nightclub Two-Step.
4. **ABD History Gathering:** Margaret has asked June for additional records on ABD’s past activities.
5. **Electronic meetings, parameters, documentation:** No action taken.

Next Board meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on Saturday May 18, 2019 at Austin Uptown Dance. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 pm.