



National Governing Body of DanceSport, Member Organization of the US Olympic Committee, and the World DanceSport Federation

MINUTES FOR GC MEETING 11/20/17		
Voting Member	Title	In Attendance
Glenn Weiss	President	Yes
Gary Stroick	Senior VP	Yes
Jack Kellner	Secretary	Yes
Ruth Long	Treasurer	Yes
Giacomo Steccaglia	DanceSport VP	Yes
Melissa Dexter	Professional VP	Yes
Leland Whitney	Social VP	Yes
Roger Greenawalt	DanceSport Delegate	No
Inna Brayer	DanceSport Delegate	Yes (late, left early)
Michael Murphy	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Carole Barber	DanceSport Delegate	No
Herb McGurk	Membership Director	Yes
Kym Zion	K12 Programs Director	Yes
Open	Development Director	N/A
Open	Admin Support Director	N/A
Hannah Cole	College Network Director	No
Bradley Montoya	Chapter Relations Director	Yes
Open	Marketing Director	N/A

Roll Call: There are currently 15 filled seats on the Governing Council. A quorum consists of 8 or more members in attendance. A **quorum is present** as 11 members are in attendance.

Meeting called to order at 9:02 pm EST by Gary.

1. **Motion to approve the minutes from 11/06/17** (Ruth/Herb). Passed 11-0-0.
2. President’s Report (Glenn)
 - A. The President discussed judge selection for the National Championships, emphasizing selection to be based on expertise not connections. Glenn said the Adjudicator Committee has sent a list to Kim Smith to check their eligibilities.
 - B. Ruth discussed the selection of judges for NQEs beginning next year.

MOTION: The DSC to update the DS Rulebook to provide that NQE judges are selected by an adjudicator selection committee at the national level, including using a ranking system analysis, by our next meeting (Ruth/Herb). Passed 10-0-1. Michael abstained.

- C. Pilot Program for K-12 in CT was discussed by Glenn. Glenn is working on standardizing the



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qualifications of the teachers. The Education Integration Committee established at the 10/23 meeting will play an important role in coordinating teachers' qualifications throughout the organization.

3. SVP Report (Gary)

- A. Timing of complaint procedures will be discussed by a working group next week.
- B. Nationals: two chairpersons of judges have been identified, along with a director of vendors.
- C. Ruth and Gary will visit Baltimore shortly to review the storage area and inventory the items, and do a walk-through of the hotel including identifying for space for the Congress.
- D. Action Item: Nationals' website.
- E. Action Item: renegotiate music licensing to lower costs and reporting for chapters.
- F. All trademark information has been published. Gary is awaiting hearing from the TM Office.

4. Treasurer's Report (Ruth)

- A. Ruth needs any remaining outstanding 2018 budget requests.
- B. Ruth will be meeting next week with PNC Bank to ask for refunds of three years of bank fees.

Inna joined the meeting.

MOTION To offer Angela Prince the Marketing Director position with two weeks to either accept or decline (Ruth/Glenn).

Concern about Bylaws Section 4.G discussed by Michael.

Angela Price motion withdrawn (Ruth/Glenn). No objections.

- C. Ruth is searching for an accounting project volunteer.
- D. Several emails to members will be going out before the end of 2017.
- E. RFPs for Nationals for 2019 and 2020 have gone out to USA Dance organizers.

5. VP – DS (Giacomo)

- A. RFP for 2018 Senior V national championships has gone out.
- B. Action Item: a dance camp on the east coast on March 3-4th, 2018.

MOTION: To amend the DS Rulebook as follows:

4.3.6 Any Athlete Couple shall be eligible to compete in the USA Dance National DanceSport Championships provided they are USA Dance members and have otherwise qualified to



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compete (i.e. rule 4.3.6.3). A couple may be eligible to represent the United States in WDSF World Championships, provided either:

4.3.6.1.1 Both Athletes hold valid U.S. passports, or

4.3.6.1.2 One Athlete holds a valid U.S. passport, and the partner has appropriate legal documents allowing s/he to travel out of and back into the United States.

4.3.6.1.3 Both Athletes comply with any additional eligibility requirements of the WDSF.

(Giacomo/Michael). Passed 12-0-0.

Inna left the meeting.

6. VP – Pro (Melissa)

A. Working on 2018 budget.

B. Action Item: 3.0 Congress for the Nationals event.

C. Continuing to work on developing pro/am rules.

D. Melissa attended the District Directors meeting on 11/12/17.

7. VP – Social (Leland)

District Directors teleconference went well. Jack, Gary, Melissa and Ruth attended the last one.

8. Membership Director (Herb)

A. Herb proposed membership category revisions, definition of “minor” for DS athlete status would be below 18 years old.

B. Members 18 and older can vote in USA Dance elections. Members under 18 y/o cannot vote.

C. One pending Complaint. Herb was notified that another Complaint is forthcoming.

8. Chapter Relations Director (Bradley)

Nothing to report.

9. K-12 Director Report (Kym)

Issues w pilot program discussed under President’s Report previously.

10. Old Business

Ruth discussed timing of announcement of pro/am events available at Nationals.

MOTION TO ADJOURN (Jack/Ruth). Passed 11-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 11:15pm EST.



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Respectfully submitted,

Jack Kellner
Secretary