

Dance Drill Coaches' Association Minutes

Sept. 5th, 2007, Woodburn High School - 6:30- 9:30 pm

Present: Peggy Schlegel, Karalee Kylo, SueAnne Williams, Linda Romey, Cori Mingear, Dodi Coreson, Sam Gibuea, Laurel McAfee, Caysie Duax, David McCall, Linda Sheron

Absent: Pat Keaveny, Holly Holbert

Minutes from the August 1st meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – All scholarships awarded at State 2007 have been paid, 23- \$750.00 scholarships were given last year. Checks were written to: 4-University of Oregon; 5- Oregon State University; 2- University of Portland; 1- Portland State University; 2- Boise State University; 1- Cornish College; 1- University of Notre Dame; 1- Linfield College; 1- Arizona State University; 1- Eastern Oregon University; 1- Brigham Young University; 1- Ohio State University; 1- University of California- Los Angeles; 1- Linn Benton Community College.

Account balances: Checking DDCA- \$3,981.20; Checking JA- \$2852.31; Savings- \$23,117.45; CD- \$3,144.27; CD- \$3,703.28.

A discussion was held about the fact that we are starting this year with about \$12,000 less in the bank then we started with last year. The Board looked at the Year End Report to see where we are spending money, as well where we could be saving money. The move towards a more technical future has increased some of our expenses, as well as the commitment made to help financially support our JA and offset some of the expenses involved with training our judges. With the increase in the Membership fees (the first in 10 years) we are looking to increase our revenue rather than reduce the number of scholarships given.

Old Business

Proposal Review Chart –

The Proposal Review Chart has an official name: The Proposal Matrix. This document was created to give the board, and now the membership, a way to keep track of the status of proposals before the board. This document is updated at each meeting as discussion, revision, clarification, and approval/defeat of each proposal takes place.

The Proposal Matrix was reviewed and updated, and will be posted on ddca.org for membership review. Please take the time to read the proposals that are before the board. There will be a questionnaire created to collect membership input on the issues currently being discussed as we want to know what is important to the majority of the membership.

Reports:

Technical report: New commissioner- the recommendation for a new Technical Commissioner given by the Tech crew is Ann Leaf. With her extensive training and involvement from the beginning she is a very strong choice for our new Technical Commissioner. Karalee will stay on for one more year to train Ann as the new Commissioner.

Both the Proposal for the Tech Budget as well as the rewrite of the costume portion of the tech handbook (as approved by the membership at the Spring Meeting) have been finalized and approved.

Website: www.ddca.org The Board will be negotiating a new contract with Kurt Jull for the upcoming year. Log on and check it out, lots of information. The Costume Closet is up and running. We will be compiling a list of things that we (membership) would like to have on our website, including a secured area for coaches. If you have any feedback on the website, contact your Board representative.

Fall Conference Review/Update –

Conference is October 5-7, at the Salem Convention Center. Invites have gone out, via Pat, twice now and are available on the website. The hotel room block is being held until September 15th, and registration fees go up after September 20th. Conference is jam packed this year, lots of good information, classes, vendors, and of course connecting with fellow coaches. Please plan on attending this event. Be sure to pass the invitation on to any Jr. High coaches in your area. General Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 7, at 12:00 PM. Don't miss this meeting! An agenda will be posted on ddca.org as well as the voting issues that will go before the membership two weeks prior to the meeting..

Board Positions

There are 5 Board Positions that will be filled at the membership meeting 10/7. If you are interested in running for the Board please log onto ddca.org for information on how to apply.

Budget:

Dodi has compiled DDCA financial information that she will present to the membership at the membership meeting. She has created an in depth look at what we are spending as well as what we are making in terms of revenue. We need to continue to make sound financial decisions based on what our priorities as an association are, as well as generate new ideas about how to enhance and preserve our scholarship fund.

New Business:

New Proposals

There were four new proposals added to the Proposal Matrix and discussed by the Board. Matrix will be posted to ddca.org. Please review this information.

Digital Equipment for 08-09 season

The JA will run several tests this year using some advanced digital equipment at local competitions. Coaches at West Albany (only some), Grants Pass, and Sprague will receive their judge's comments in a CD format rather than on a cassette tape. Using this equipment will add one paid position to the support staff for hosting competitions. More information will be given at the membership meeting about the direction the JA wants to go with this new technology.

Set agenda for fall meeting

Agenda for Fall Meeting will be posted on ddca.org prior to meeting.

Goals and Objectives of DDCA

We need to review the Goals and Objectives of the DDCA and see if we are meeting them. Please take a look at them before the meeting; they are inside the cover of our manual.

Next Meetings:

Oct. 3rd – Woodburn Nov. 7th – Woodburn Dec. 5th - Woodburn