

Dance Drill Coaches' Association Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, February 4, 2009, Woodburn High School, 6:30 PM

Present: Cori, Karalee, Danielle, Dodi, Jessica, Amanda, Shammra
Absent: Pam, Jenny, Sherry, Caysie, Syndie

Review minutes from both January Board meeting and Winter Membership meeting

- Correction to Winter Meeting minutes was already distributed to membership, no correction to January minutes.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Dodi

Balance as of 2/4/09
Checking DDCA- 11,250.27
Checking Judges- 168.75
Business Savings- 5,157.77
CD # 7073 3,275.62
CD # 6918 3,834.60
23,687.01

-All Fall Competitions Have Paid
-Scholarship Donation Update
Scappoose- 163.00
Santiam- 296.00
Thurston- 481.07

Fundraising

- Hillary McClintock has volunteered to head up a yearly project for our scholarship fund; she is going to produce an exclusive DDCA garment every year, available only to team members and coaches. Much like the "I heart DT" shirts this year. At Spring meeting she will "unveil" next year's design, available for purchase and team orders either then or at Fall Conference. As Board Fundraising Coordinator, Amanda will work with Hillary on this project. This is a fun way for us to "unite" state wide, and earn money for our own kids. Thank you, Hillary!!!!
- Discussion of creating a Senior T-Shirt to be sold at All State auditions. To be discussed with Peggy.

Scholarships – Caysie

-Number of Academic Scholarships will be determined based on the number of qualified applicants. Deadline was February 6.
-Winners of the Academic and Dance Scholarships will be required to help at the Jr. High Championships April 4, 2009.

DDCA Awards – Jenny

- Coach of the Year nominations bios sent out; survey monkey to come.
- Nominations for Service Award were submitted to the Board, and the recipients' have been chosen. What a high class of individuals we are surrounded by!

Judges Affiliation – Shammra

- A proposal was submitted to the Board by Michele Napier requesting an “emergency” waiver to the age limit rule for judges. The JA is requesting that they be allowed to schedule a few underage judges at three local events, based simply on the fact that they do not have enough judges to staff the events otherwise. These individuals have completed the required training and have been evaluated more than once. The proposal submitted to the Board is attached with the minutes. As you can see if you read it, the individuals in question have satisfied the training and educational requirements, and meet all criteria except for their age. As we are only six weeks from State, the Board unanimously agreed that cancelling local events, or not being able to sanction them only hurts our teams. Cori consulted OSAA and was told that an emergency waiver is reasonable in this situation, especially if the alternative is cancelling events. So, with a vote of 10 in favor (Cori-no vote; Shammra-abstain), the Board granted the request. The JA was instructed that they need to present a proposal to the membership in regard to an *established protocol* for future situations of this nature. As OSAA has no intention of lowering the age limit for judges, and it has, at this point, never been the desire of the membership to lower the age limit for judges, the JA will need to seek membership approval on their proposal at the Spring meeting in order to enact proposed protocol in future situations.
- Competitions considering a Jr. High Division will need to declare that at the Spring Meeting when signing up for their events. We are trying to encourage better communication and coordination both amongst and with the Jr. Teams. There are some long time existing Jr. Events out there that we should not ignore just for the sake of adding a Jr. division to our high school events. It hardly seems fair to be taking from that group when they already return so much to us via the Jr. Championship. Please be prepared to declare at Spring meeting your intent to have a Jr. Division, be equally prepared to be told that your idea is in conflict with an existing Jr. event.
- Please remember to send in evaluations to Michelle Napier. This is the only way judges can get education. (jaevaluation@comcast.net)

Sanctioning Forms Have Not been returned from the following Competitions: Gladstone, Woodburn (event canceled), Wilsonville, Sheldon, West Albany, Scappoose, Thurston, Grants Pass, Canby, and Gresham. Remember- You are at risk of losing your date if you don't turn this in!

State –

- Dates – March 18-21, 2009
- OSAA Information check web site regularly
 - Hall of Fame will be displayed at State again. WOOHOO!
 - Drill Down Callers have been scheduled for Thursday at the Coliseum and Saturday at the Chiles Center, still waiting on confirmation on a caller for Saturday at Coliseum.

Alumni Association- Jenny/Danielle

- Alumni Teams performing at your competition? Please give your alumni the information about Alumni Association (See DDCA.org)
- Facebook groups will be notified by Jessica.

Website- Jessica

- Review Phase 3 priorities
- Cori would like to see Forums, asking Kurt for a bid to set up and maintain
- Amanda and Jessica will put together an advertising package for vendors.

Category Finals- Cori

- Update to Winter meeting; survey feedback: 46/57 schools filled out surveys
- Of those 46: 29: felt that the only pre-qualification criteria should be participation at a local with the routine you want to enter; 17 felt that the event should have pre-qualification criteria: 11: thought pre-qualification should be based on meeting a pre-set SQS; 6: thought placement at a local should be the “invitation” to the event.
- All 46 schools felt that having event at a high school rather than larger venue was good
- 5-teams said they would not participate if not a true championship; 31: said they would participate no matter the criteria; 10: were not specific or had no strong opinion
- Category calendar: Cori will work with the Fall Competition Directors to create a calendar.
- We are moving forward on the proposal, as it was submitted. We will keep the membership updated with the details as they become available.

New Business

Jr High Championships– Sherry-April 4, 2009

Board Homework:

Review Local Competition Section for the Manual
Syndie: Phone Tree

Membership Homework:

Contact Alumni to Inform about DDCA Alumni
Check OSAA Website Regularly
Refer People to DDCA.org whenever possible to generate traffic!