





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

MINUTES FOR BoD MEETING August 3, 2020		
Voting Member	Title	In Attendance
Gary Stroick	President	Yes
Greg Warner	Senior VP	Yes
Fiorenza Todaro	Secretary	Yes
Spencer Chang	Treasurer	Yes
Giacomo Steccaglia	DanceSport VP	No
Melissa Dexter	Professional VP	Yes
Leland Whitney	Social VP	No
Roger Greenawalt	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Inna Brayer	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Michael Murphy	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Damian Pataluna	DanceSport Delegate	Yes
Herb McGurk	Membership Director	Yes
Ross Pearce	College Network Director	Yes
Don Davenport	Chapter Relations Director	No

Roll Call: There are currently 14 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. A By-Law amendment requires a ¾ vote of the filled seats; 0.75 X 14 so 11 votes would be required to amend the By-Laws.

- 1. Call to Order: Gary called the meeting to order at 9:03 Eastern Time.
- 2. Minutes: The minutes of BoD meeting of July 20 will be circulated by e-mail
- 3. Agenda Approval: The agenda was approved (Gary/Melissa) with an additional item (minutes of July 31 e-mail vote extending announcement of candidates on ballot). Motion passes 11/0/0
- 4. Executive Session: Motion to enter Executive Session (Gary/Fiorenza). Passes 11/0/0. Enter Executive Session at 9:09pm
- 5. Motion to exit Executive Session (Gary/Herb). Passes 11/0/0. Exit Executive Session at 10:18pm
- 6. Motion RE Election Process: Michael discussed and proposed the following motion:
 - 1) The Nomination and Elections Committee is instructed to inform each nominee not approved for placement on the 2020 ballot of the reasoning for the decision, with a copy of the reasoning provided to the Board of Directors; and







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- 2) The Nominations and Elections Committee is instructed to inform each nominee not approved for placement on the 2020 ballot that:
- A) The nominee may seek reconsideration of the Committee's decision from the Board;
- B) Any nominee seeking reconsideration must request reconsideration within 5 calendar days of receiving the reasoning for the Committee's decision not approving the nominee for placement on the ballot;
- C) Requests for reconsideration should be sent to Herb McGurk, Chair of the Ethics Committee (membership-dir@usadance.org) for distribution to the Board;
 - D) Any request for reconsideration should contain the reasoning of the Committee; a statement from the nominee explaining why the nominee believes the Committee's decision should be reversed, and any supporting documentation the nominee wishes to supply;
 - E) Disinterested members of the Board will review and address each request for reconsideration on an expedited basis. The Board's decision and reasoning will be published to the membership.
 - Motion by Michael, seconded by Gary. Passes 11/0/0. Herb will publish an announcement on the USA Dance election webpage
- 7. Motion to Authorize the President to Sign Response to Kellner Claim: (Michael/Herb). Motion passes 11/0/0
- 8. Membership Motion Notice: Roger will contact John Springli to publish a written announcement on the membership motion by the end of August
- 9. June Financials: Spencer discussed budget, profit and losses for the month of June
- 10. Motion to approve the minutes of July 31 e-mail vote extending announcement of candidates on ballot to August 15 (Michael/Gary). Motion passes 11/0/0
- 11. Next Meeting: The next GC meeting is scheduled for August 17, 2020 at 9:00 PM Eastern Time
- 12. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:45PM.

Respectfully submitted, Fiorenza Todaro, Secretary







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E-mail votes:

July 31, 2020

Motion to conduct an e-mail vote (Gary/Michael). E-mail motion passes 10 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining, 3 recusing (Greg, Leland, Roger)

Motion: the announcement of candidates for this year's election be postponed until August 15, 2020 and during the intervening time period that the Nominations and Elections Committee interview in an unbiased and fair manner all nominees that were not previously interviewed who met all the hard requirements for the election (all documents submitted on time, membership requirements, and eligibility requirements such as being an elite dancesport athlete). Motion passes 10 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining, 3 recusing (Greg, Leland, Roger)

August 4[,] 2020

Motion to conduct an e-mail vote (Greg/Gary). E-mail motion passes 8/0/0 Motion to approve the BoD meeting minutes of July 20, 2020 (Greg/Gary). Motion passes 6/0/2 (Fiorenza and Herb abstaining, did not attend BoD meeting)

August 14, 2020

Motion to conduct an e-mail vote (Gary/Michael). E-mail motion passes 9/0/0 Motion: Sima Sadykhov be placed on the ballot for DanceSport athlete. Motion passes 9/0/0

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Motion to conduct an e-mail vote (Herb/Ross). E-mail motion passes 7/0/0 Motion to place Patti Panebianco on the ballot as President. Motion passes 7/0/0

August 14, 2020

Motion to conduct an e-mail vote (Michael/Ross). E-mail motion passes 7/1/0. Motion to approve Jean Krupa for placement on the ballot subject to resolution by September 15 of potential conflict of interest identified by the Nomination and Election Committee. Motion passes 6/0/1 (Spencer abstaining)