

**Dancing Spirit Arts Center**  
**Board Minutes August 12 2025**

Members present: Jenny, Andrea, Gene, Mikayla, Carrie, Kasey Correia Executive director  
Guest LaQueta Farrow

Meeting called to order 4:44

Andrea Taylor made a motion to approve agenda, Gene seconded motion, passed unanimously

Gene made a motion to approve minutes from July, Carrie seconded, passed unanimously

Kasey recommends tabling the approval the financials at this time until a change is made in the categorization of an expense is made by Cindy.

LaQueta Farrow, present, is interested in being a board member. We all shared our stories and reasons for joining the board. Kasey gave an overview of the history of Dancing Spirit.

The town of Ignacio has scheduled their Christmas party here again.

**Southern Ute Fair Parade September 13th**

Jenny is unable to be here. Andrea can help between softball games. Carrie can be here to help. Open house would be a great idea. A lot of tours were given during the San Ignacios Festival. We will do a fruit and yogurt stand. Jenny will get supplies from Sams Club. We will meet on Friday Sep 12th to prepare food at 5:00. Mikayla will bring brownies to sell. Small flyer for Fill Your Bowl to be given out during the yogurt event.

Jenny gave an update about Andy and Carolyn Arnold, good turn out for the workshop last Friday. TV needs to be able to connect with a phone for presentations.

Still trying to get the Durango Herald to cover events here.

Fill Your Bowl December 5th, the weekend of Taste of Christmas

Rotary wrote a check for \$1607.88 for 1/3 of the profits from the July 4th beer garden. Rotary is hoping to partner with Dancing Spirit next year.

Talked about doing a fundraiser breakfast next year during the rodeo in September.

Kasey has someone working on signage for building, both permanent and changeable. Kasey ask Ron at library about the donated Cricket machine.

**Executive Directors Report:** El Pomar grant submitted last month for \$15,000 for general operations. State Agency, CHFA, will be coming next week for photographs about projects they have invested in. We are submitting a grant for \$11,000 for SUIM classes from CHFA for 25-26 school year. Contract with grant writer Anita is up in August, Kasey is not impressed. She submitted a grant report for Think 360. Kasey has not been in the center for 3 weeks due to fractured foot. She has asked volunteers to step up to fill in times Kasey used to do. Carrie encouraged her to keep doing this. Wrenalee, BHS student has been volunteering here, hope to use her to do marketing and social media reach out to schools to submit works for an art show. Use her as outreach for schools. Kasey, Jenny, Mikayla, Cora, Charmin and Shawna will schedule a meeting on a Monday, to create a marketing and business plan for the center. Peggy Iberg has offered her services assisting with grants for middle and high school student, Ignacio Youth Services. The goal is to identify the gaps in running the business and who has skills to fill these gaps. Whitney Largent, DSAC volunteer, did a 27 page report for marketing recommendations. Follow through with her needs to be scheduled. Can we find a college student who could help with a marketing plan?

Next board meeting September 16th 4:30

Andrea made a motion to adjourn, Gene seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 6:41