

Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, June 4, 6:00 pm, DCM Offices

Board Business

- Meeting called to order at 6:06p.m.
- Review prior meeting minutes. Heather approved, Jen second.

Public Session

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Public Comments
 - BC Senior, Rory Geissler, presented a proposal to have a student member of the board. Suggested to have a middle school and high school rep. Company members vote for their chosen rep; present at lock-in and vote in Sept. TBD on the responsibilities/expectations of rep.

Executive Director's Report

- Season Competition Updates
 - Hoping for UBC and YAGP Pittsburgh as long as dates work out. We do not want to continue NBC due to politics involved. Finals will most likely not be an option due to no money to pay for dancers.
- Company Audition Update
 - 34 dancers auditioned and all were offered contracts (8 ensemble dancers and 26 main stage dancers). 1/3 of contracts have already been received.
- Grants Update
 - BC applies for and receives county and state grants every year. It's becoming increasingly difficult to dedicate the time needed to research grants. Would like a member of the staff to take over researching grants as well as grant writing, but it's not possible this year due to the budget.
- August Workshop & Parent Meeting
 - Guest artist update: no John and Amanda this year due to scheduling conflicts. We are hoping to coordinate a time with them to work with the dancers during the year for a whole week. Guest artists for 2024 are under budget. Suggestion was given to have alumni teach at future August Workshops.
 - Parent meeting will be held prior to company lock-in on 8/10 at 4pm.
- Alice Budget Review
 - Having Nutcracker auditions scheduled before the start of classes was a bad idea. This year they will be held in mid September. Spring production auditions will be held the first weekend in January. We are looking for ways to grow children's cast. We discussed creating a 1 page flyer advertisement with role descriptions and information about the production. Suggestion was given to reach out to local schools and libraries and see if we can hang flyers; also get lawn signs for BC families. Suggestion was given to have an older company

member talk to the younger classes about auditions at the beginning of the Fall session. We will advertise at this summer's Nutcracker Camp at DCM.

- Annual Budget Review
 - We are not purchasing new costumes this year. Snow costumes need help – metal boning is coming out. MSAC budget was discussed as well as what we paid for YAGP finals. Jono approved annual budget, Gary second.

Other Business

- Parent Meetings Recap
- Upcoming Bylaws Review
 - Currently being reviewed and will be sent out to all board members. Will need to be tweaked if we add a student representative.
- Board Update/Recruitment
 - We are looking for 4 more board members (limited to 10% of parents of BC members).
- Company Invoicing Update
 - Different platform options were explored and Square was chosen based on ease of use and low expense. We will no longer use the excel sheet system to track payments. Invoicing through Square allows us to set reminders when payments are due. There will also be a Record of Payments viewable to parents.
- Communications
 - Board Member Email
 - Board members have BC emails. There will also be a login on the website for each BC member with important company information.
 - Parent Meetings
 - To be scheduled at least twice a year.
 - Parent Newsletter
 - Discussed if a Parent Newsletter would be necessary and the overwhelming majority said no.

Motion to adjourn by Jen and save the executive session via email. Seconded by Gigi. Next meeting: Monday, August 5, 6pm at DCM.