

Albuquerque Square Dance Center

Board of Directors Meeting

July 12, 2022

Those present: Jerry Gilbreath, Larada Horner-Miller, Bob Stevens, Sheri Pastian, Margaret Bolshazy, Lynn Tillery and Bill Mayberry and Lin Miller by Zoom. Those absent: Karen Zakovec.

Guests present: Marybeth Gilbreath, Gail and Buddy Askren, Teresa Stevens, Lorraine Pratt, Lisa Brooks, Chris Clark, Joni Micals, and Tim. Bob Nolen, Rick and Betty Follet and Lisa Lincoln by Zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm at ASDC. It was noted that a quorum was present.

Minutes of the April 27, 2022 meeting were read and approved with corrections.

The Treasurer's Report was gone over and approved. It was noted that the membership in ASDC has gone down. Sheri will be putting out a listing of the membership in the near future.

Larada moved to accept treasurer's report. Lin 2nd. Motion passed.

Reports from Board Members:

Karen – not here

Bob – he said he had been asked to change the temp to 70. It was decided to hold off until the end of August and make a decision then. He has taken care of needed maintenance in the small hall and ladies' room, replacing the exhaust fan, and will be getting to the weeds soon.

Lynn – mentioned that the next Central District Meeting will be held the 1st Sunday in August, August 7th, 2022, at 1:00 pm.

Bill – will be at, either live or zoom, the Central District Meeting in August.

Margaret – mentioned large trash liners will be needed. Sheri volunteered to get the 33-gallon bags at Sam's Club when they are needed. It was noted that the cleaning company keeps in contact with Sheri regarding cleaning supplies, when needed.

Larada – mentioned that we have lost the Wednesday renter. Have received letters from the Tango and ADC clubs. Jerry asked for a breakdown of the funds that we receive from these organizations.

Lin - publicizing info as it comes in.

Old Business

Vaccine requirements for ASDC. It was noted that Tony Martinez of the Tango Club would like the vaccine restrictions to be lifted.

It was noted that Denver Dance Clubs had one of the strictest groups regarding Covid restrictions. The hall is now letting clubs set their own restrictions.

At this time, Jerry went around the room for open discussion on this subject. The consensus from the board was to lift the restrictions but leave it to the discretion of the clubs to set whatever restrictions they felt necessary.

Lin moved to lift vaccine restrictions and let the clubs decide if they want them to continue. Bob 2nd. Vote – 5 yes, 1 no. Motion passed.

An email will go out to the clubs letting them know ASDC has lifted the vaccine restrictions and they are allowed to make their own decisions regarding the vaccines.

Larada then moved to set August 1st as the date to lift vaccine restrictions. Lynn 2nd. Vote – 2 for and 2 against. Motion didn't pass. The lifting of the restrictions will be immediate.

A notice will be sent to all renters with a notice later to the general population.

New Business

- a. Creating an ASDC email for the business of ASDC. Alice was working on a list before she left as secretary.

Bob Nolen asked why do we need another list when we have a publicity list. It was noted that Turtle Bear didn't receive the email notification for the annual meeting. Lin explained that the list he has will not go through to certain groups (groups like gmail.com, aol.com, hotmail.com – these listed for example, not necessarily the ones that wouldn't go through).

Lin suggested that we go back to mailed letters for the general meeting. Bob suggested that we send emailed letter as well as regular mailed letters to make sure to cover everyone.

- b. Pricing for outside vendors.

It was noted that currently, for a 4-hour rental to outside vendors, the small hall is \$100.86 and the large hall is \$118.66.

Lin made a motion that Jerry appoint a committee of 3 – the contracts person, the treasurer, and one other, review the pay scale for outside vendors and report back to the board for modification. Margaret 2nd. Motion carried.

Larada, Sheri and Lynn will make up the committee of 3 and report back at the next meeting on September 6th.

- c. Open Floor

Joni Micals asked if the Pratts (Desert Dancers & Hot Chile Steppers) can now get a new contract for the ASDC.

W

Various board members brought up the following:

Bob – Started the discussion by asking Lorraine Pratt, “Why do you even want to dance here? When you were here, all you did was complain or demand. You didn't like the speakers, the lights, etc. There were constant complaints. At the end of Covid, Randy demanded that the hall be set up - AC, refrigerators, etc. before the board had even voted on when to reopen the building.”

Jerry – explained about his first year on the board. Speakers were brought in that were not proper for the amps. An adapter was given to Randy which was never used. The amp was burned out and would cost \$1500 to repair it. At that time Randy said he wouldn't help with the repair costs.

Larada – she stated that she is shocked that they want to dance here. The Board is tired of all the demands, etc. Everything has become adversarial and has become so ugly. We dance for fun – it has split the community.

ASDC has lost dancers because of the antics of the Pratts. Positivity is starting to come back since they are no longer here. Some dancers say they may come back at some point in time, but not right now.

Bob said he wishes something could be done to mend fences, as we want the dancers back.

When it was mentioned, Randy received preferential treatment when Lorraine did contracts, Lisa said that other callers got discounted rates. It was stated, yes, they did, but it was with board approval. Randy's contracts were not board approved.

Jerry's Toys for Tots Dances – the ASDC Board decided before Jerry became a member of the board, that ASDC would rent the hall for no charge as a gift to Toys for Tots. What the hall fees would have been, were put toward Toys for Tots.

The Board has decided at this time, we will not rent to the Pratts. We will see what happens in the future and go from there.

Joni asked what would need to be changed in order for the Pratts to be able to rent at ASDC again.

Larada said – How can we heal? We want a cohesive group. Both sides need to compromise in order to heal.

In order for the Pratts to be able to rent at ASDC again?

Bob suggested, maybe start with a three-month contract. If a contract were issued, it would be very specific with the rules and regulations. They would have to comply with ALL the rules. If a contract is adhered, it could be extended.

At this time, we need something in good faith before we can even attempt to rent to them again. They need to be a total, complete part of the community.

Jerry apologized for it coming to this, maybe things will change.

Margaret moved to adjourn. Lin 2nd.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be September 6th at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Tillery, Secretary