



El Camino Reelers

ECR Board Minutes – October 11, 2011

Location: Oregon's 4546 El Camino Real Los Altos, CA 94022

Attending: Ryner, Ed, Andrew, Sam, Craig, Oliver

- September minutes approved

Fall dance 10/22/11 – Rich Reel – contract Coordinator – Sam

- Sam will get church key on Wednesday to unlock Saturday at 5:00 -5:30. Sam will e-mail volunteers sheet and make announcements Wednesday asking for volunteers, ask members to bring snacks and Halloween themed decorations

Membership renewal

- As of 10/11/11 52 members have renewed. 4 are class members and 36 are unpaid.
- Tork's daughter Samantha will enroll in class and will get door donations applied as credit for class fee. Terri is traveling; will be back in November, she wants to keep taking class.
 - 11/7/11 Terri e-mailed that she is sorry but feels she is too far behind to take class this year. Will return next session.
- Advanced class has two members who paid \$50
- Andrew asked "do associate members get badges after they finish the class?"
 - At 11/8/11 BoD meeting Andrew noted the above point of order was incomplete. The actual discussion was because a non-ECR graduate plus dancer who enrolled and paid for the Advanced class wanted to know if they could get a badge. Referring to the by-laws revealed the following: 1) Plus dancers who paid dues are full members. 2) Advanced class students who are not members initially, become full members when they have paid for the class in full. 3) Any class member not paid in full is an associate member. 4) Everyone must have completed Plus to be a full member. And according to bylaws article III sections 3 point b. and item 2) above, it was shown that this person is defined as a member and entitled to a badge.

PSDF membership process

- Need to ID Members who aren't primary ECR members for insurance. Looks like there are 4 dancers.
- Andrew will send list of Halls used to be insured



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- Craig sent Nancy list of current paid members. Oliver to send Nancy, from PSDF, a check to the Bridgeport CA Po Box. Addendums to the insurance roster will have to be sent later as stragglers send in their club dues.

Caller Salary

- Andrew believes local GCA callers receive \$80 - \$100 per 2 to 2 ½ hour session, wonders if board should give Rich a raise to bring pay into line with other clubs.
- Oliver points out that club losses money each week
- Would one time gift card be appropriate?

501©(3) status

- Nothing to report

Treasurer

- Nothing to report

Closing class evaluation

- Ask last class for evaluation and suggestions. What did they like? How to make class better,? Time? Duration?...what else?
- Get Val involved
- Ask Advanced class as well
- When?...Online?...decided should be by December

Class tuition options?

- Idea asked by Dan M if club would consider weekly tuition instead of large class fee or three installments. This is done in other clubs in Southern California with some success. Students pay weekly. Several minutes discussion of how it could work; decided it would create more work for treasurer to track. Idea sidelined.

Flashmob square dance idea – Doug's email dated 10/6/11

- Some discussion: where to do, who to coordinate, who is target audience? Idea tabled.



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Halloween idea – Kim’s email dated 10/8/11

- Kim suggested a group get together at Winchester Mystery House (WMH) for Halloween tour.
- Decided it sounds like fun, cannot be officially club sanctioned, WMH is not an insured location.
- Board says Ok to post a “just for fun” note on ECR talk

Convention 2013 liaison

- Kim will no longer be ECR club liaison to the 2013 convention committee, as the convention committee is closed, self-sufficient and not open to offers of help or suggestions at this time.

Reconfigure class night

- It was proposed to reorganize Wednesday class night into two distinct sections: Class and Club. Class would start 15 minutes earlier at 7:15, go until 8:30, followed by a full hour of uninterrupted Plus ending with an A2 star tip. Idea to keep class time together and offer “fallen angels”, those not wanting to angel a new class the opportunity to have club night. Andrew to check with church to see if the extra ½ hour is ok, check if new schedule would impact the custodian, ask if caller would agree to extra time and change of format, and send e-mail asking feedback from club members.

Next meeting 11/8/11 place to be announced