

SCVSDA General Committee Meeting

June 15, 2024

Meeting held via Zoom

Minutes (Draft)

10:13 am Vice President Joe Dehn called the meeting to order.

Agenda (Attachment A).

Attendees: Mary Jane Wegener (President), Joe Dehn (Vice President), Mary Gingell (Secretary), Jim Davis (Treasurer); Natalie Wahl (Belle Swingers), Vicky Campagna and Sharon Storms (Bows and Beaus), Michael Egan (Interlocked), Carol Cohane (PACE), Jane Bishop and David Westerman (Star Eights), Phil Harris (Lucky Steppers); Sue Harris (SDA), Sue Lietz-Davis (Top Cats). Guest: Keith Ferguson (SCVCA Liaison). Absent: Advanced Squares; Doris Livesey (Dancing at the Fair); Christine Russell (Insurance Chair)

Announce parliamentarian (Dehn): Gingell agreed to serve when Dehn was chairing; Dehn will serve when Wegener is chairing.

Introduce new attendees (Dehn): none

Confirm quorum (Gingell/Davis): 8 of 9 Clubs represented; 10 people voting; we have quorum.

Wegener arrived at 10:15 but asked Dehn to continue chairing the meeting.

Approve outstanding General Committee minutes from March 2024 (Gingell): Sent electronically (Attachment B). Wahl moved and Campagna seconded to approve; approved without objection.

Officer Reports

President (Wegener): Report sent electronically (Attachment C).

Vice President (Dehn): No report. Expressed concerns about non-profit status filing.

Secretary (Gingell): Reports sent electronically (Attachments D and E).

Treasurer (Davis): Report sent electronically (Attachment F).

A Jubilee facilities rental partial payment of \$1,000 still needs to be made.

Discussion ensued about some minor points/errors included in the Treasurer's report. Davis will send a revised Treasurer's report to clubs@scvsda.groups.io.

P Harris moved to submit the Treasurer's Report to audit; Storms seconded. Motion passed without objection.

Directors Reports

Storms: Report sent electronically (Attachment G).

Lietz-Davis: No report sent before the meeting. Sue may send a written report after the meeting to clubs@scvsda.groups.io.

Bishop: No report sent before the meeting. Bishop may send a written report after the meeting to clubs@scvsda.groups.io.

Committee Reports

Audit (Wegener): No report sent before the meeting. The Audit report has been signed off by the entire Audit Committee and was sent to clubs@scvsda.groups.io during the meeting.

Beginner Classes Initiatives (Dehn): No report.

Wegener took over chairing the meeting at 10:35

Bylaws (Dehn): Report sent electronically (Attachment H).

Dehn reviewed the proposed changes.

The Delegates agreed to vote on these changes now rather than under New Business.

All changes proposed in the report were approved without objection except the following:

Regarding distribution of minutes: P Harris moved and Cohane seconded a substitute motion as follows: The Secretary shall distribute draft minutes of meetings of the General Committee and Board within 30 days of the meeting

to Board members, Club Delegates, and Standing Committee Chairs, and approved versions of those minutes to the same people within 30 days of approval.

Discussion ensued, including clarification that the “clubs” list includes all the people mentioned in the motion, so as to make this new process easy for the Secretary to implement. Substitute motion was accepted, and the revised language passed without objection.

Calendar (Dehn): No report.

Dancing at the Fair (Livezey): No report. Wegener reported that there will be dancing at the fair on July 28 and Dehn reported that a flyer is available online.

Demo Dances (Campagna, Lietz-Davis): No report submitted before the meeting. Campagna requested to be removed from this committee. Lietz-Davis suggested having a demo dance at 23 and Me. Egan said that the surface there was too rough for dancing; Cohane said there was an area that was smooth enough.

General Dance Program (Dehn): No report submitted before the meeting. Joe may send a written report to clubs@scvsda.groups.io. Discussion ensued about low attendance, other venues that might make the dance look more exciting, using Sunnyvale park building locations, and polling newer dancers about why many of them do not attend. Campagna will write up a sample survey and share that with Dehn. Dehn will discuss the polling idea with leaders of the clubs offering SSD classes.

Historian (Dehn): No report.

Insurance (Russell): Report sent electronically (Attachment I). Discussion ensued about about how repeat guests that do not belong to any other club are covered.

65th Jubilee (Dehn): Report sent electronically (Attachment J). Discussion ensued on various topics. MJ Wegener said if anyone wants to offer to take on a task for Jubilee, let Dehn know. Westerman will look into San Jose's policies for RV street parking.

Nominating (Davis): No report.

Property (Davis): No report submitted before the meeting.

Publicity (Storms). Report sent electronically (Attachment G).

Webmaster (Dehn): The website is its own report.

Whing Ding (Davis): No report sent before the meeting. Ohlone School is not in fact available for June 29th, so that dance has been moved to Saint Andrews. Ohlone also not available for the August Whing Ding.

Other Reports

SCVCA Liaison (Ferguson): No report sent before the meeting. New format for Whing Ding will be tried in August. Pre-rounds will be replaced with A-2 dancing from 7 to 7:50, then 7:50 – 8 will be rounds, and then the A-2 tip in the middle of the dance will be dropped. Double rounds will then be added throughout the rest of the evening. The callers for that dance will be Keith Brown and Harlan Kerr; cuers will be Sue Harris and Sandi Kremer.

CCSD (Davis): No report sent before the meeting. Davis will send minutes from the May meeting to clubs@scvsda.groups.io when those are available.

Other Old Business

Tax-exempt / Non-Profit Status (Wegener): Wegener is still working on this, now pursuing a 501c3 designation as opposed to a 501c7 designation, per discussion at the General Committee meeting in March. In response to a question from Storms, Wegener confirmed that Christine Russell had in the past offered to help Wegener, but Wegener has had difficulty having Russell work with her on this filing.

Dehn expressed concern about the Statement of Information that needs to be sent to the State of California by July 31, and about the possible new requirement effective January 1, 2025 that PayPal report to the IRS any organization receiving more than \$600 in a year, as opposed to \$20,000 previously.

12:42 pm Dehn resumed chairing the meeting.

Dehn asked who else might be able to help Wegener get this filing done. Wegener indicated that financial information is the most important thing that needs to be organized and submitted and she thinks she has what she needs to do that. The filing information has to be entered online and she is having problems doing this on her computer. She also needs a PDF of the current

Bylaws including the changes made at this meeting. Dehn will get those updated shortly. Wegener and Davis hope to get together before the end of June to sort out all the details and submit the filing.

New Business - None

Announcements - None

Dehn adjourned the meeting at 12:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Gingell
Secretary