

PERTH INTERNATIONAL DANCE

Committee Meeting Minutes Meeting of 10 November 2018

1:05 pm Saturday

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@ Jenny & John Bardill, 20 Browne St, Subiaco, Tel: 9381 5235

Committee Members:

John Bardill	President	Eve Blair (EB)
Jenny Bardill	Vice President	Palenque Blair (PB)
John Whaite (JW)	Treasurer	Steven Janowiecki (SJ)
Martin Williams (MW)	Secretary	Paula Schneider (PS)
No visitors present		

1. Apologies received from EB, SJ

2. Printed / Snail Mail Correspondence - in

Quarterly Bank Statement from ING - passed unopened to Treasurer

Written proposal from Trish Eyre re Clause 45 'Quorum' re new Constitution

3. Matters arising from the previous minutes – 22 September 2018

- 'Deletion of the Yahoo account'- April - **PB** - "add use of backup system" to "Guidelines for Teachers" - **Item rolled over**. MW to approach Jenny Currell and Lee Jones re assistance.
- '**New computer**'. John advised that a new DELL was ordered and has been received. A DELL Inspiron 15 3000-3573 with a 1 Tb hard drive costing \$603. Confirmed that an older version of iTunes has been loaded from CD's. Transfer and verification of music is continuing. It was suggested that video material should also be loaded on the new PC. **Item continuing - JW to progress** including development of procedures for use of the new and old PC's.
- **Microphone for teaching - item rolled over - Action JW.**
- 'Review of and suggestions for improvement of **PID website**' from a **PS** website designer contact '. No progress or interest. Noted that the PID generic email addresses get regular offers to review our web-site. **Item closed**
- **Audit of assets** - VHS tapes. *from April mtg* JW confirmed that he has digitised 3 tapes - still needs to rename the files. **Action: Roll over re completion of old VHS tapes and audit of other assets.**
- Collect **Objectives, Guidelines and Checklists** apply a common look & feel, promote and publish. *from April mtg* Noted and agreed **Action: Roll over for 2019 Committee**
- APRA New licensing models and proposals. Previous action remains **await further APRA advice.**

Confirmation of previous meeting. The minutes of the meeting of 22 September 2018 were approved as a true and correct record of that meeting and signed by **JB** **JB / PS**

4. Committee

- 2019 Committee - composition, members, nominations , AGM process etc were discussed. Noted that nominations have been completed for President, vice-President

& Secretary and for ordinary members from Trish Eyre and Louise Scott. Some discussion re PB's nomination, the new Constitution rules (Four Exec positions plus at least one ordinary) and other possible nominations. **Actions-** JW to complete and submit his nomination; **MW** to prepare for possible voting at AGM.

5. Treasurer and Financials

- **New member applications:** Arkadiusz Filipczyk, nominated by John Bardill; now endorsed by Committee
- **Significant / unusual payments**
 - New Dell laptop, \$603.
 - Insurance extension for Contradance, \$73.
 - **Financial Items** - Intro classes session price will increase to \$8 from 10/11/2018. This may still not cover costs, without any teacher payment.
 - **Current cash** - Approx \$10,000
 - **Membership** 57 members (4 life, 53 paid)
- **Other**
 - Josh Merriman is auditing the books again this year.
 - Red Faces made approx \$140 profit.
 - Polish Party night roughly broke even, after \$100 teaching fee.

Treasurer's report accepted: Moved **MW** / Seconded **PS**

6. Teaching Roster

Likely that Eve will take over March and April from Peter. Eve and Peter to confirm, Jenny B to adjust schedule and communicate as necessary - web-site and Calendar to mirror agreed changes. **Action: Jenny B, JW, MW.**

7. New Constitution - Not for Profit Association

Key activities reported as document amended by JW as agreed and circulated to all members by Secretary

Committee discussed changes, comments and feedback

- table of contents added, as agreed
- **Clause 62** Committee amendment remains unchanged. Noted that Pam Gunn had questioned these changes - **no action** necessary.
- The two occurrences of the word '**delegable**' originally raised by Trish E. and the subject of many emails. **Agreed** to retain the two incidences.
- Cross referencing error noted by Pam Gunn and corrected
- Trish Eyre's submission re Clause 45 regarding the **quorum** in the event of reconvened meetings following a failure to convene an initial meeting with a quorum. Proposal to change from **two** constituting a quorum to **three** was discussed. This was endorsed following discussion - JW voted against this proposal.
- JW proposed getting legal opinion on the PID Constitution - particularly on Clause 62. This proposal was **not endorsed**.

Action: Circulate and promote the document to encourage discussion before the AGM; seek endorsement at the AGM on 26 November with minimal discussion. **Ratify at AGM.**

8. Events

- **Introductory Classes / Beginners' Course.** The small attendance at the Saturday pm sessions was **noted**. **It was agreed** to hold an 'Introduction to International' course on Saturdays in January 2019. **Action:** JW to organise dances. PS to prepare promotion material and arrange advertising; POST and local venues - libraries etc.
- **Contradance** - with SJ's departure to the US - Contradance management has been transferred to PID. **Noted** that the insurance issue has been resolved. **Noted** that it is still financially viable ~\$700 available. Support from the musicians is still positive although dance numbers are dropping. It was **agreed** to organise a Christmas box for the musos - Dome vouchers were suggested. **No Contradance sessions in January and February. Recommence 10 March 2019.**
- **Advanced Classes** Still continuing with small attendance. Hall bookings for 2019 were **noted**. Palenque to run the January 20th session; a leader needed for February 17.
- **'Littlies'** – **Noted** that Michelle Goldblatt might take over the classes in Term 2. She did share the teaching with PB this year, with some support from Lee and Miranda. Confirmed that the hall is booked to cover this time and that the timeslot is allocated to youngsters. **PB** suggested 4 weeks notice is required for promotion.
- **Workshops and Theme nights**
 - **Turkish Republic Ball** 27 October The success of the performance at the ball was **noted**. Thanks expressed to Tuna Dincer for her invitation to PID and to her TAHC Committee.
 - **Polish Folkloric Workshop** 29 October Some discussion on the number and type of dances taught, the time allocation and the party theme for the evening. It was pointed out that Trish's confirming letter to the Polish Group did define the time available and the break for supper. Copy tabled for reference. *"The workshop will be conducted from 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm. We then break for supper followed by general dancing until 9:30 pm"*

The general feeling was that past Macedonian, Greek and Turkish nights had been more successful and had provided more suitable dances and teaching.
- Future Performances and Requests
 - **'Have a Go Day'** 14 November 2018 Some concern that no sound system was being provided - only speakers. Free parking available.
 - **Fairbridge 2019** 26 - 28 April 2019 No further discussion at this stage.
 - **André van de Plas** - 29-30 June 2019 **Noted** that John B has confirmed with André.
 - **Potential Aust. Visit by Marius Ursu** - Romanian folk dancer. **JW**, as co-ordinator, had confirmed with FDA that the 30 hrs applies across the whole Australian tour. **Noted** that the tour will now be 28 - 29 March **2020 - not in 2019**. No immediate action.
 - **Maurits and Tineke van Geel** - tour down under - **Noted** that this visit will also be in 2020 - 2nd - 30th October proposed for the whole tour.
 - **NFF Canberra 2019** - monitor closer to the dates (18 - 22 April Easter. MW to update calendar.

9. Promotion

- **Promotions 'concepts and ideas'** PS presented her Community focus idea, encompassing linking Beginner Teaching Classes to Community Centres. The concept being to focus on likely areas [Fremantle, Melville, Nedlands, Peppermint Grove were suggested], using halls local to the area. PB raised the "Recreate" programme used in Bassendean. The Committee **supported the idea. JW voiced his support re teaching.**
Action: PS to explore promotional material, finances and likely lead times.

10. Other Business

- Reporting "**Correspondence in**" to the Committee - JW raised the need for Committee to be aware of printed items received by PID such as the letter to the Polish Group. It was noted that this had in fact been tabled at the last Committee meeting. **It was agreed that this will be added as a standard Agenda item and will be addressed. Emails themselves are excluded.**
- **Calendar 2019** Dates were discussed in terms of the number of Mondays by month - a themed party in late September was suggested. A Macedonian theme seemed to be preferred, failing that a Greek theme. **Action: PB** to contact the Macedonian dancing community. **MW** to delineate months in a clearer way.
- **Committee Meetings 2019** - dates in the 2019 PID Calendar **noted.** Subject to change.
- **Grapevine - Dec 2018** MW reported that a Christmas edition is being prepared. To be available for the AGM if possible.
- **AGM** confirmed for 26 November. Advertised on-line and to all members via email. Promoted nominations for Committee positions via email with nomination forms. Promoted at dance sessions. The Importance of ratifying the new Constitution at the AGM was **noted.**

Current nominations received for 'executive' positions with four nominations for supporting Committee positions [Eve Blair, Paula Schneider, Trish Eyre and Louise Scott].

Action: MW to prepare material for the AGM.

- **Suggestions** – one *suggestion received; from Eve Blair:*

Suggestion: "When we have a dance workshop (especially with a visiting teacher) that it is not advertised as a 'party'. I was very embarrassed by our treatment of the recent Polish dance teacher"

Committee discussion:

Whilst the embarrassment was recognised and regretted, the Committee felt that the Polish Group had been made aware of the time available - 7:15 to 8:15 followed by supper and general dancing. The Polish teacher had been invited to our dance sessions to observe dance levels and discuss the Polish night; one session had been attended

Action: **MW** to advise EB

11. Next Meeting: 2 February 2019

Action: MW to change and recirculate the calendar

Meeting ended at 3:00 - with thanks expressed to the Bardills as hosts.