



OSSDF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

(Held via Zoom)

Minutes

June 29, 2022 at 7:00pm

Present: Board Members: Laura Barnes, Cathy Bowman, Laurel Brown, Joanna Perlus.

Teacher Members: Nikkie Price

Regrets: Melissa Chiandussi, Deb Kapp, Meghan Kidd, Glenys McQueen-Fuentes, Melanie Randall

Meeting documents distributed include the Agenda, Minutes of 2021 AGM and the 2021 Financial Statements.

Laurel Brown, as Chair of the meeting, welcomed the Members, and outlined the purpose of the meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Laurel Brown moved that the agenda sent out with the Notice of General Meeting be approved. Seconded by Laura Barnes. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Annual General Meeting held June 16, 2021 via Zoom

The minutes from the Annual General Meeting of June 6, 2021 were presented for approval. The business discussed at the 2021 AGM related mainly to DANCEFEST 2021, "Let's Dis-Dance" and the creation of on-line Workshop Resources for teachers to use. The appointment and approval of the 2021-2022 Board was delayed until the Board meeting held June 23, 2021 as the Board Slate was incomplete. Motion to approve by Cathy Bowman; seconded by Nikkie Price; carried.

Approval of Financial Statements for the year ended August 31, 2021

The Financial Statements for the Year Ended August 31, 2021 were presented. Cathy Bowman reported that we had a loss on the small virtual event, combined with lower-than-expected sales of DANCEFEST merchandise. Motion to approve by Cathy Bowman; seconded by Joanna Perlus; carried.

Election/Appointment of Directors

Laurel Brown reported on recruitment of Board members for 2022-2023.

Resignations:

Glenys McQueen-Fuentes will remain as Advisor for Non-Competitive Events.

Melanie Randall will move to an Advisory role.

Mary Jo Mullins will provide support as available.

Laurel then presented the proposed slate of Directors for 2022-2023 as follows:

Board Position	Name	Operational Position
President	Laurel Brown	President
Vice-President	Katie Knowlton	Vice-President Operations
Secretary/Treasurer	Cathy Bowman	Secretary/Treasurer
Teachers' Council Coordinator	Joanna Perlus	n/a
Member-at-Large	Laura Barnes	Communications Manager
Member-at-Large	Deb Kapp	Advocacy Coordinator
Member-at-Large	Melissa Chiandussi	n/a
Member-at-Large	Meghan Kidd	Event Committee Workshop Lead
Member-at-Large	Cathy Harris	n/a

Motion to approve by Laurel Brown; seconded by Cathy Bowman; carried.

Report on Membership

Cathy Bowman reported that we had 11 schools take part in our virtual DANCEFEST, with 265 students and 85 dance entries. There were an additional 3 schools registered for the edu-DANCE-on Workshop Resources only.

Report on DANCEFEST Event

Laurel Brown reported that the Event included 85 entries and 265 students. The entries were more than our goal of double the 38 entries of our 2021 Event. There were some issues with the Blueprint Adjudication system which will need to be fixed for 2023. Awards would not feed to the school results for distribution. We have not yet had a Teachers Council meeting to obtain feedback. Joanna Perlus will set this up.

Report on Teachers' Council

Joanna Perlus reported that it has been difficult to get everyone together as schools return to in-person learning. Cathy Bowman will work with Joanna to get meeting information distributed to everyone. Teachers prefer to keep a virtual component for DANCEFEST 2023 for schools that are unable to attend the LIVE Event. They indicated that the adjudication feedback is important. Joanna suggested that we need more diversity in Adjudicators.

Report on Website & Social Media

Laura Barnes reported that the new website is still being enhanced. It is important that the workshops be distributed on time. Melanie Randall took over Social Media, so that Laura could work on the website. DANCEBLAST releases are hard for teachers to find when distributed through email. It is difficult to look back and find information. Laura will request feedback on the best way to communicate going forward: email, social media, or on the website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Meghan Kidd

 Director

Nikkie Price

 Director