

# President's Report as of June 10th, 2022

Hi Dance Friends,

On behalf of the OSSDF2022 Event Committee, I want to **THANK YOU** for either being a teacher from a participating school or a supportive observer of this year's virtual event, **Let's Dis-DANCE** *Again!* We are very excited and will go live next **Wednesday**, **June 15th at 9:00AM**. This year, we have **265** dancers performing in **85** dance entries. We are so proud of all these dancers and choreographers who have shared their artistry with us. Digital certificates and awards will be emailed to teachers by <u>Friday</u>, <u>June 24th</u>.

## **OSSDF2022**

OSSDF2022 will be approximately 5 hours. It will have chapters so that viewers will be able to move quickly to where they last left off in watching this amazing event. The program will be posted on Tuesday, June 14th, the day before the release at <u>www.ossdancefest.ca</u>. Hover your cursor over DANCEFEST'22 which will show **Watch DANCEFEST'22 HERE**, click on it and when asked for the password, provide **OssdfLIVE2022!** (*Don't forget the exclamation mark!*). The link to OSSDF2022 will be live until the end of July so that your students may watch the dances more than once.

## ADD YOUR VOICE to our 2022/2023 OSSDB Board of Directors and Executive

We are hopeful for a full slate of members again. *"Many hands make for less work and more play!"* The term for positions on the OSSDF Board is one year. You are a passionate advocate of dance in your school. Join us to advocate and be a voice to represent Dance in Ontario.

Your interest is requested by <u>Friday, June 17th</u> and results will be presented at the <u>AGM on Wednesday</u>, <u>June 29th at 7:00pm</u>.

OSSDF would be very fortunate to have you share your knowledge, experience and enthusiasm with us as a member of our **OSSDF Board or a Task Coordinator**. What is the difference? **Board members** attend monthly meetings and make decisions based on the business of the organization. **Task Coordinators** are not required to attend the monthly Board meetings. They take responsibility for a task that is a key component in the operation of our organization and then report to a specific board member as needed.

The following positions of Board members and Task Coordinators open for consideration are:

President	FILLED
Vice-President	OPEN
Secretary	OPEN
Treasurer	FILLED
Teachers Council Liaison (or Convenor)	FILLED
Communications Manager	FILLED
Social Media Coordinator	OPEN
Website Coordinator	OPEN
Technical Support	OPEN
Advocacy Coordinator	FILLED
Workshop Coordinator	OPEN
Membership & Recruitment	OPEN

Please find attached a short description of the positions. For more detailed descriptions, contact Laurel at ossdancefest@gmail.com. The summer OSSDF Retreat is currently scheduled for between July 24 to 28 in Kincardine or via ZOOM.

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

One teacher from every registered school is a voting member of OSSDF. We look forward to your attendance at our upcoming AGM on Wednesday, June 29th at 7pm where all are welcome to attend. Please email Cathy Bowman at <u>ossdfsecretary@gmail.com</u> for your invite to the OSSDF Annual General Meeting via zoom.

### **TEACHERS COUNCIL MEETING**

On Wednesday, June 15th at 7pm, Joanna Perlus, our Teachers Council Convenor, will be leading a discussion to follow up our annual event. To prepare for our live event next year and to hear your feedback about our virtual event, we will distribute a survey on June 15th for you to complete anonymously. Comments and suggestions will be shared with the Board to assist us in future planning. Also, information will be collected to assess how you would like OSSDF to support you next year with eduDANCEon! resources.

We look forward to a strong representation of teachers to share their views. To receive an invite to the zoom Teachers Council Meeting, email Joanna at ossdfteachers@gmail.com.

#### **OSSDF Board Meetings and Teachers Council Meetings**

This year, we organized ONE monthly meeting for each of the Board and the Teachers' Council. The Teachers Council meetings are the 3rd week of each month and the Board meetings are the last Wednesday of each month.

#### **OSSDF2023 will be LIVE**

And we have 265 participante:

We plan to organize a LIVE OSSDF2023 next May in central Ontario.

### **OVERVIEW of INFORMATION from our OSSDF Virtual Events in 2021 and 2022:**

11 Registered schools committed to OSSDF2022 (Timeline is approximately 5 hours): Chatham Kent, Forest Heights, Holy Names, Lajeunesse, Laurel Heights, Newtonbrook, SATEC@ WA Porter, St. Anne, St. Joseph's, St. Thomas of Villanova, Tagwi

We have 85	dance entrie	s submitted fro	m:		
CKS - 11	FHC - 4	HNH - 4	LAJ - 4	LHS - 15	NTB - 5
POR - 16	STA - 6	STJ - 7	STV - 9	TSS - 4	

And, we have <b>205 participants</b> .					
CKS - 33	FHC - 6	HNH - 39	LAJ - 19	LHS - 38	NTB - 17
POR - 14	STA - 15	STJ - 40	STV - 35	TSS - 10	

#### 1 registered school did not participate in OSSDF2022: Paincourt

3 schools registered for eduDANCEon! only: Stratford District Secondary, West Ferris (Widdifield), Lester B. Pearson (Elementary)

9 Registered schools committed to OSSDF2021 (Timeline was 2 hours, 20 minutes):

We had 38 dance entries submitted from:

CKS - 12	FHC - 2	HNH - 1	LAJ - 4	LHS - 7	NTB - 5
POR - 1	STA - 3 - (2 0	Creative Colla	boration)	STV - 1	Independent - 2

### And, we had **105 participants:**

 CKS - 24
 FHC - 2
 HNH - 21
 LAJ - 5
 LHS - 11
 NTB - 8

 POR - 1
 STA - 30
 STV - 1
 Independents - 2

**12 registered schools from 2020 did not participate in OSSDF2021;** Bluevale, Belle River, Cameron Heights, Cardinal Carter, Central Algoma, Monseigneur Bruyere, Resurrection, Riverside, Tecumseh Vista, St. Joseph's, Walkerville, West Ferris (Widdifield)

**4 registered schools from 2021 did not participate in OSSDF2021;** Cobourg Collegiate, Paincourt, Northern Collegiate, Lester B. Pearson (Elementary)

If you have any questions regarding any of the above information, please don't hesitate to ask.

We look forward to seeing you at the OSSDF AGM on Wednesday, June 29th at 7:00pm.

Be well. Stay safe. Keep dancing!

Sincerely, Laurel Laurel Brown (she/her) President

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