

VICTORIA BALLROOM DANCE SOCIETY

Board of Directors meeting – Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

By Zoom

Meeting Minutes

Directors in attendance: Michael Kittel (President and Chair), Jay Schmidt (secretary), Richard Pigeon, Maria Heron, Rolands Muiznieks. Regrets: Diane Truman, Lynne Jordon

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:31 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Michael to approve the agenda. CARRIED

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None.

4. Appointment of Timekeeper

Rolands agreed to be the timekeeper.

5. Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Michael to approve the May 11 board meeting minutes. CARRIED

6. Business arising from the minutes:

- a) Purchase of Bluetooth speaker – Michael noted that we already have one and that there is no need to buy one.
- b) Michael noted that the Committee terms of reference and consent and liability waiver forms have been added to the VBDS website.
- c) Richard noted that the directors met with the Governance Committee to discuss the different VBDS funds. VBDS funds will be considered at the next AGM. Discussion took place re: recommending that the Pacifica fund be absorbed into the Development fund and Rolands suggested other ways to use Development funds.

7. President's Report

Michael provided a brief written report. He noted that Brian will set up a display at practices to encourage members to sign out items from the DVD library. Michael also noted the Silver Plus music format held on May 25 received a good response and we will continue to use this format every fourth practice.

8. Treasurer's report

Richard provided a monthly report for May (revenues and expenses). He indicated our next \$30,000 investment will be invested in a GIC in June. At the July meeting he'll summarize

the interest rates for our different investments.

9. Committee reports

a) Community Outreach: Maria Heron reported that for the 2022 55+ BC Games (Sept. 13 to 17), the opening ceremonies have been reprogrammed in the Roundhouse, and the organizer thinks a VBDS demo may be better suited to a 5-minute spot at a Sept. 14 event instead. The producer of that show will get back to us. They would also like to ask if VBDS would like to provide volunteers for different events during the Games and that the club would be compensated. Other updates: Dancing in the Square doesn't seem to be feasible this year due to construction. Bay Centre demo could be feasible. Maria will look into this for August or September.

b) Dance: Michael provided a brief written report. The social dance went well on May 18. The next one is June 15.

c) Finance: covered in treasurer's report

d) Governance: No report

e) Marketing and Promotions: No report.

f) Membership: We added 5 new members in May. This brings us to 192 regular and 7 student/disability members.

g) Standards and Classes: Michael has organized some 2- and 3-week workshops for summer.

10. New business

a) Rolands noted our next senior's demo at Ross Place could use more volunteers.

11. Bring forward items.

a) n/a

12. Correspondence

a) Email regarding ProAm dancers at practises. Steve Hutchins voiced an objection to a teacher deriving an economic benefit without any membership or floor fee paid to VBDS. Directors had already discussed and decided upon this matter at the December 2021 board meeting and their decision stands.

b) Email from Steve Hutchins regarding his question about advertising expenses from the AGM. The directors will draft a reply.

13. Adjournment

MOVED by Michael to adjourn the meeting at 5:18 p.m. CARRIED