



## El Camino Reelers Board Meeting Minutes – *Approved 2/13/19*

Saturday, January 12, 2019, 9:38 AM-12:00 Noon

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*In attendance: Eric, Allan, Carol, David Morandi (guest), Lynn, Ed.*

Minutes from December 5, 2018

- The minutes from last month were reviewed and approved, and sent to Ed for posting on the website.

Financial Report & December Club Meeting Agenda (Ed)

- Michael Levy had a question about donations to the church via All Join Hands. Gordon from AJH has since confirmed that anyone may make a donation to AJH designated for ECR club development (specifying facilities repair).

Elections and Bylaws

- We're supposed to vote for new board members and revised bylaws in February.
- Allan, Ed and Carol's terms are up this year.
- Annette has stated that she's willing to stay on the board if we don't have enough candidates.
- Allan has stated that he will run for another term.
- Ed has stated that he will run for another term.
- Lynn moved we add a "special election" 1-year term this election period to fill in for Annette, who would like to resign.
  - This will create a ballot with 3 2-year slots and 1 x 1-year slot.
  - Eric seconded the motion.
  - Voting was all in favor, none opposed, motion carries.
- What do we need to do to prepare for the election?
  - Ask each of the candidates to write a candidate statement and send it to Lynn. Lynn will handle this, and forward the information to Ed. These need to be received
  - Allan will send out an email with a link to the new bylaws on the ECR website.
  - Ballots need to be completed by the first week in February, so Ed will need the candidate statement by the end of January (1/31/19).
  - Ballots need to be ready for people to pick up by the first week in February (2/5/19 and 2/6/19). Ballots are distributed via club nights, and the remainder is mailed out on Thursday (2/7/19). Lynn will bring a ballot box to club nights through the last Wednesday in February (2/27/19), when the ballots will be opened and counted.

Advanced Class

- Class is running very well, with 2+ squares each night. Caller rotation appears to be working well.
- There has been no specific feedback on the class in general. There are a couple of students who are struggling, and neither came to our APD/DBD workshop. The situation is not serious enough at this point to warrant specific action. Kurt has suggested another APD/DBD workshop (perhaps at Allan's office in Fremont).
- Kurt would like to see students and angels scramble up a little better, so that the weakest dancers aren't always paired up together.
- Reviews have been running 1 square starting at 7:00 PM, with a second square by 7:15 PM.

## Club Nights

- Lynn will be gone on Tuesday 1/29 and Wednesday 1/30. Someone else will need to open on those days. Allan will open on Tuesday 1/29 and Carol will help with closing on 1/29. Eric will open on Wednesday 1/30.

## First Fridays for Potluck Nights

- March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, and November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
- These are already confirmed with the church and on the ECR calendar. Lynn is working on callers.

## Quarterly Dances for 2019

- February 23, 2019: **Bill Eyer** is confirmed. He is flying in from Palm Springs (found a good deal) on Saturday 2/23, and will depart on Sunday 2/24. *Bill will need housing with a club member.*
- May 4, 2019: **Gary Monday** is confirmed. (“May the Fourth Be With You” dance, Star Wars theme, with special guest Mary Juana Leia.)
- August 3, 2019: Allan is still working to book this with Vic Ceder or Mike Kellogg.
- October 26, 2019: Allan will ask Andy Allemao, with Mike Kellogg as a backup.

Alternate callers if the above don’t work out: Mike Kellogg , Sandie Bryant, Kris Jensen, Eric Henerlau, or Jet Roberts.

## 2019 Beginner Classes

- **Blue Level 1: SSD-50 (10 AM to 5 PM), which will be \$99. This will be held on Saturday 2/2/19** [Lynn and Eric out of town] Saturday 2/9/19, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
  - Lynn is out of town for Saturday 2/2/19.
  - Annette has reserved space with the Foothills Congregational Church in Los Altos. The cost will be \$500 for both full days. Annette will need to let the church know by the week of 1/21 if we are keeping the reservations. Allan’s office is available at no charge.
  - The class will at this point have 3 students. We will use Allan’s office.
  - Paypal registration link is set up on the website.
  - Angels will be \$25, and students will be \$99. Lunch will be provided.
  - Eric and Ed will email the potential students (including Horacio, Barbara, Michael, and John).
  - We will mention the class to Horacio during the Fun Night at the BDFC.
  - Allan will arrange for food. Ed is willing to help
  - We will need a case of water. (Allan)
  - Eric will keep track of angel signups for the blast class.
- Oaktown 8’s is moving over to blast classes on Sundays at Lake Merritt Dance Center. Kurt would also like to set up an arrangement for club night dancing for blast dancers for each other’s students for the six weeks following each club’s blast class. We previously have agreed this is a good idea, but we have not yet formalized the decision.
- Annette has noted that Sacramento is experimenting with much shorter blast classes. Diablo is also doing blast classes.

## APD/DBD Workshops

- Response to the Rob French APD/DBD workshop seems to be highly positive, from both local clubs and clubs out of area (Sacramento).
- For a Saturday class, we could do a 4 hour format. (Can’t be on 2/2 or 2/9.). We would limit enrollment to 16 people. We will discuss and schedule this in February.

- We can change Tuesday nights to include one APD/DBD Basic/MS/Plus call each night, to build student's APD/DBD skills at Plus. This will start immediately. The two A2 star tips will be shortened slightly.
- An entire night of APD/DBD will be held on Tuesday 2/5/19.

### Fun Nights

- We will renew our ad in the Front Runners newsletter. Ed will get Carol a ad. It will be \$75 for a half page three months.
- Allan has spoken with Gabrielle, who has invited Ken Yeager to autograph his new books starting at 6:30 PM in the ballroom, immediately prior to our Fun Night on 1/18/19. Eric and Allan will bring flyers for January and February.
- In a conversation with Gabrielle, she suggested that if we'd like to reach out to the recovery community, we could put the words "This is a sober event" (or just "Sober event") on future flyers.
- We will examine the issue of recruiting methods after the next board election. One possible response is to reduce the amount of Fun Night square dancing from 50% to 35% or 40%.
- Last month we discussed Eric emailing the list of Fun Night attendees about this month's Fun Night, as well as mention our Blast Class.
- Upcoming Fun Night Schedule:
 

• 1/18/2019 (BDFC): <b>Kurt Gollhardt</b>	• 7/19/2019 (BDFC): Not yet booked.
• 2/15/2019 (SAUMC): <b>Darren Gallina</b>	• 8/16/2019 (SAUMC): Not yet booked.
• 3/15/2019 (SAUMC): <b>Michael Levy</b>	• 9/20/2019 (SAUMC): Not yet booked.
• 4/26/2019 (BDFC): <b>Kurt Gollhardt</b>	• 10/18/2019 (BDFC): Not yet booked.
• 5/17/2019 (SAUMC): <b>Scot Byars</b>	• 11/15/2019 (SAUMC): Not yet booked
• 6/21/2019 (SAUMC): <b>Eric Henerlau</b>	• 12/13/2019 (SAUMC): Not yet booked
- Allan will establish a NextDoor account using Eric & Scott's address. (No progress since last month.)

### St. Andrew's Church

- A number of ideas have been discussed for nice things to do for St. Andrews.
  - Fix the sliding-screen doors.
  - Replace the the upside-down and worn-out electrical outlet next to the table closet, and the two floor outlets on the altar.
  - Fund a new water fountain with a water bottle tap as a gift to the church. The price for an Elkay fountain on Google Express is \$985.99. This does not include installation.
  - Refinish the floor.
  - Annette has suggested recruiting ECR assistance/contributions for their food drives.

### Recruiting

- Allan and Ed have not yet begun work on a mass mailing. ("Renew, Remember, Reenergize, Reboot Reconnect...")
- Lynn has suggested a dance "reunion" of former dancers. *We will target former dancers for the Fun Night in January.* Former ECR members: "RSVP and/or wear your old ECR badge to get in for free!"
  - Who has a list of former dancers to email about next week's Fun Night at the BDFC?

#### Old Business: Electronic Communications

- Ed has suggested that we use information@reelers.org account for Google Drive. This account is linked to the Google Photos account that Ed and Ken use to store ECR photos. There were no objections to utilizing this as a repository for club files. *Allan and Ed will work together on a file system to be shared out to the board.*
- The one item of possible value in the Yahoo! Groups archive is the roster. The treasurer also has a list of accounts and passwords, but that's not an electronic file. *Are there any other pieces of information we want to archive/download from the Yahoo! Group?*

#### Old Business: Longevity Dangles

- Club membership longevity dangles. A bar usually costs around \$5. We'd be looking at 30 or 40 bars, so an initial cost of \$200 at most.
  - Eric and Ed were to coordinate calculating length of membership for the current roles.
  - Ed has sent out a copy of the most current membership roster to ecrboard.

#### New Business

- Ed is sending out flyers for our quarterly dancers. A lot of clubs are folding. Are there any clubs we should be reaching out to with flyers? Currently, flyers go to SCVSDA clubs and the LGBTQ clubs. Kurt has suggested Elks & Does and Hayward's Rancho Squares (Advanced).

#### Next Board Meeting:

- Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at 5:45 PM at St. Andrew's.