



El Camino Reelers Board Meeting Minutes (Approved)

Saturday, October 12, 2019, 10:36 AM-12:32 PM

KIS, 48383 Fremont Boulevard #122, Fremont, CA 94538

In attendance: Allan, Eric, David, Ed, Kurt, Oliver, Robin.

Minutes From Last Meeting

- Minutes from 9/11/19 were sent out via email on 10/10/19. Minutes were corrected, approved, and sent out to the board.

Bylaws (Allan)

- Last month, Allan discovered that we did not previously post a finalized revised set of bylaws on the website. Allan sent the finalized document to Ed on Thursday 10/10/19. The new bylaws were posted on the website starting 10/11/19.

Financial Report (Ed)

- We've made \$783.20 for the quarter, which is just about the same amount of money that we have left from the Michael Levy/Golden donation towards church refurbishment, so we broke even for the quarter. This includes the \$197 income from the 2018 SF Pride beverage booth and San Mateo Pride, but *not* (yet) the income from the 2019 SF Pride beverage booth.
- Membership renewal requests have gone out, including a second round of email asking folks to renew. As of 10/11/19, we have received membership renewal for 45 people, so \$2250 in dues that have been paid, and another \$620 in additional donations. Eric will retrieve outstanding dues from the mailbox tomorrow. Ed needs to know how many people have renewed so we can purchase our insurance for the year.

Tuesday Club Night (Advanced Dancing)

- We seem to be just shy of two squares each Tuesday.

Wednesday Club Night

- This last week, we were one person shy of one square.
- A discussion was held last month regarding proposing swapping Tuesday and Wednesday nights, or moving Wednesday night to Thursday. The other two Plus clubs in the area also dance on Wednesdays. This will be added to the next ECR General Meeting's agenda.
- Our next general meeting will be on Tuesday, January 14th, 2019 at 7:30 PM. This is a one-time shift from Wednesdays due to Kurt's potential departure from the club. There will not be a 7:00 PM workshop that evening. We will have a tip or two starting at 7:30 AM, and then we will start the meeting afterwards.

Board Appointment/Elections

- There have been no interested parties to date.
- Next elections are February 26, 2020
- Eric will not be running for re-election in February.
- Allan will leave the board in 2021.

Callers

- Kurt may be leaving the club to move to Seattle in early 2020, probably in February.
- We will discuss potential callers to take on Kurt's duties once a decision has been made.
- Kurt is willing to schedule club night callers through March starting in December, and will need input from the board.

Friday Potluck Nights

- Lynn has confirmed the following callers for the First Friday potlucks on the schedule.
 - September 27th, 2019 (Rich Reel)
 - November 29th, 2019 (Michael Levy) (Will include class-level tips if class members present.)
- Potluck dates for 2020: David will schedule callers:
 - January 31st, 2020 [SAUMC confirmed] - Called by "Three of a Kind" (James Thompson, Regina Schulz, Mike Pogue), theme: "Load the Love Boat".
 - April 17th, 2020 [space not yet confirmed] - (Caller TBD) [Eric will email Reverend Saia]
 - September 25th, 2020 [SAUMC confirmed] - (Caller TBD)
 - November 27th, 2020 [SAUMC confirmed] - (Caller TBD) ("Black Friday" theme)

Quarterly Dances for 2019 & 2020:

- **October 26, 2019: Vic Ceder** [Confirmed 2/24/19]
- **February 22, 2020: Eric Henerlau** [In Process; tentatively confirmed 10/11/19]
 - St. Andrews confirmed.
 - Offered to Eric Henerlau 10/10/19. He agreed 10/11/19. Contract sent to Eric on 10/11/19.
 - Waiting for Eric to reply to contract email, indicating acceptance.
- **May 2, 2020: Barry Clasper** [Confirmed 8/11/19] – ECR's 35th Anniversary Dance
 - St. Andrews confirmed.
 - Booking tentative accepted by Barry, contingent upon our providing transportation and dinner beforehand.
 - Contract sent 8/10/19, waiting for Barry to confirm.
- **August 1, 2020: Mike Kellogg.** [Confirmed 9/10/19]
 - St. Andrews confirmed.
 - Contract sent 8/10/19.
 - Contract accepted in writing by Mike on 9/10/19.
- **October 31, 2020: TBD**
 - St. Andrews confirmed.
 - Allan will reach out to Sandie Bryant, Andy Allemao, Justin Russell, Scot Byars, Steve Minkin.
 - Halloween Dance. (This is the same date as a SCVSDA Whing Ding.)

2019 Beginner Classes

- **Indigo Class: SSD-50 Level 1 Blast**
 - In process as of 9/29/19. There are 9 students from Oaktown. There are no students from ECR.
 - Kurt will coordinate review nights on ECR Wednesday nights following the classes.

- Eric will email the “interested in class” to ask if there’s interest in a January class. Eric had previously emailed that list of people, but had received only one response.
- **APD/DBD Plus Workshop.**
 - Rob French has confirmed for **Saturday November 23, 2019.**
 - Rev. Saia has confirmed the hall at St. Andrews from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM.
 - Ed has placed a “Save the Date” on the ECR calendar.
 - Allan has sent a contract to Rob French for acceptance.
 - Ed will generate a flyer for the workshop.
 - The admission will be \$30/person. Ed will set up a Paypal link to collect funds in advance.

Fun Nights

- The social media cycle for the October Fun Night went out on 10/9/19 to Facebook, Meetup, and Twitter. Allan mistakenly used the Palo Alto template, and after Kurt kindly notified him of the error, corrected all postings to San Jose/Billy De Frank Center early on 10/10/19.
- Robin has offered to reach out to some other Meetup groups and Facebook groups with \$5 offers to their membership.
- Allan will add Robin to the meetup account as an admin.
 - Upcoming 2019 Fun Night Schedule
 - Friday 10/18/2019: **BDFC/Kurt Gollhardt**
 - Friday 11/15/2019: **SAUMC/ Rob French**
 - Friday 12/13/2019: **SAUMC/Cancelled**
- Concerns and observations:
 - The Billy DeFrank Center is less expensive to rent on a Friday than the church.
 - A proposal was made to shift some Fun Nights to Wednesday nights, to reduce room rental costs, dancer event fatigue, and also replace a faltering club night once a month.
 - The Wednesday Fun Night would run from 7:15 PM to 9:00 PM, and then we’d offer full level plus from 9:00 PM to 9:30 or 9:40 PM.
 - In the months where we have review sessions scheduled, we would either shift the Fun Night to a Friday, or extend the review sessions by an extra week, or move that month’s Fun Night to the Billy DeFrank Center on a Friday. This decision can be made later.
 - Eric discussed the Fun Night on Wednesdays with Rich Reel on 8/21, to get his input. Rich is OK with any adjustments we would like to make on Wednesdays.
 - Allan has emailed Gabrielle Antolovich at the BDFC to reserve the highlighted dates below.
 - Allan will begin scheduling Fun Night caller for the St. Andrews dates in early 2020.
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 - Wednesday 01/08/2020: SAUMC / TBD
 - Friday 02/14/2020: BDFC [not yet confirmed] / TBD
 - Wednesday 03/18/2020: SAUMC / Rich Reel?
 - Wednesday 04/22/2020: SAUMC / TBD
 - Wednesday 05/20/2020: SAUMC / Rich Reel?
 - Friday 06/19/2020: BDFC [not yet confirmed] / TBD
 - 07/xx/2020: TBD / TBD
 - Friday 08/14/2020: BDFC [not yet confirmed] / TBD (Jim Maxwell’s Birthday)
 - 09/xx/2020: TBD / TBD

- 10/xx/2020: TBD / TBD
- Friday 11/13/2020: BDFC [not yet confirmed] / TBD
- 12/xx/2020: TBD / TBD

Recruiting & Retention

- We will defer discuss this month of organizing non-dancing group activities (e.g., going to see the new Star Wars movie, other sing-along movies, etc.).
 - Allan has suggested going to the Star Wars movie between Xmas and New Year's, during our "dark week".
 - Ed will look into 3Below's sing-along schedule for the end of the year.
- Ed reported that TheaterWorks had a good turnout this month.

St. Andrew's Church

- Status of Michael Levy/Michael Golden's donation towards church refurbishment:
 - The electrical outlets near the front door and on the stage have been replaced. This cost \$230, so we have \$770 for other repairs. *Thank you for coordinating this work, Oliver!*
 - *Allan needs to locate a screen door company to fix or replace the screen doors and the sliding doors on the parking lot side of the church.*
- St. Andrews announced in their latest newsletter that they have been asked by their district superintendent to begin discussing a merger with another nearby UMC church. If this goes through, it's likely that one of the properties will be sold.

Longevity Dangles

- Eric's working through the back catalog of club directories.
- A bar usually costs around \$5. We'd be looking at 30 or 40 bars, so an initial cost of \$200 at most.
- Eric has proposed that we use the IAGSDC club retention program to propose they pay for the initial set of bars.
- The initial set can be handed out at the 35th anniversary dance (May of 2020, Barry Clasper calling), and then future sets will be handed out during ECR general membership meetings.

Dark Dates for ECR

- November 5, 2019 (Election Day)
- December 24, 2019
- December 25, 2019
- December 31, 2019
- January 1, 2010

Next Board Meeting:

- Tuesday, November 19th, 2019 at 5:30 PM, at St. Andrew's.

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