



El Camino Reelers Board Meeting Minutes

Saturday, September 8, 2018, 9:30 AM-12:00 Noon

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

Invited: Allan, Eric, Ed, Carol, Annette, Lynn, Kurt.

Recruiting

- We reviewed a combined list of former and lapsed dancers, which should be on Allan's computer. He will send the list to the board, and he and Ed will work on a mass mailing. ("Renew, Remember, Reenergize, Reboot Reconnect...") No progress has been made on this front since last month.

St. Andrew's Church

- Lynn has sent two emails to St. Andrews for our Fun Night dates. Lynn will meet with Marilyn of the church to iron out any remaining concerns about our storage space. Lynn has suggested we fix the sliding screen doors as a gesture to St. Andrews. If there are other things to be fixed, we might want to consider it. In the past, Craig Mahaffey has suggested a new water fountain with a water bottle tap. Kurt has suggested replacing the upside-down and worn-out electrical outlet next to the table closet, and the two floor outlets on the altar. Refinishing the floor is another idea. Lynn has suggested that we ask Marilyn what their most urgent needs are.

Billy DeFrank Center Fun Nights

- Contract has been sent to Gabrielle for the following nights, at \$100/night:
 - Friday, October 19, 2018
 - Friday, January 18, 2019
 - Friday, April 26, 2019
 - Friday, July 19, 2019
 - Friday, October 18, 2019.
- No update yet on the Fun Nights ad Carol placed in the Palo Alto Frontrunners newsletter.
- Allan will set up an Instagram account, per the IAGSDC Recruitment sessions. (No progress since last month.)
- Allan will establish a NextDoor account using Eric & Scott's address. (No progress since last month.)
- Allan will ask James & Mike Pogue about calling a Fun Night. (Contact info in roster.)
- Upcoming Schedule:
 - September 21, 2018: **Kurt Gollhardt** (confirmed)
 - October 19, 2018 (BDFC): **Harlan Kerr** (confirmed)
 - November 16, 2018: **Darren Gallina** (confirmed)
 - December 14, 2018: **Rob French** (confirmed)
- We have no Fun Night callers booked for 2019 yet:
 - January 18, 2019 – BDFC
 - February 15, 2019 – St. Andrews
 - March 15, 2019 – St. Andrews
 - April 26, 2019 – BDFC
 - May 17, 2019 – St. Andrews
 - June 21, 2019 – St. Andrews
 - July 19, 2019 – BDFC
 - August 16, 2019 – St. Andrews
 - September 20, 2019 – St. Andrews
 - October 18, 2019 – BDFC
 - November 15, 2019 – St. Andrews
 - December 13, 2019 – St. Andrews

Club Nights (Lynn)

- Tuesdays and Wednesdays have gone well so far. Carol and Kurt said last Tuesday went very well.
- Wednesdays should be full plus starting Wednesday until we start the blue class, when it changes back to SSD-50.

Classes

- **Green Level 3 (Plus)**
 - Sunday September 9, 218 from 10:30 AM to 4:30 PM, at the Billy DeFrank Center.
 - A club member wishing to remain anonymous has very kindly offered to subsidize the BDFC rental. Lynn will ask that person about a \$100 subsidy.
 - Kurt will call.
 - Annette will handle lunch. This is the last class she will do this for.
 - Lynn emailed ECRtalk yesterday. Ed emailed Gloria to let her know. Gloria has paid as a student. Mike Ricigliano and Ken Oakley are dancing as angels. Steve, Mike, and Ken will probably show up late.
 - Ed has suggested that we send a membership form to each graduate, since they've had Associate Member status since the first class.
 - Hard plastic badges were given at Mainstream. Some folks don't have badges. We will need to check who has a badge and wants one. "Pay for membership, and get a badge for free."
 - Lynn is handling beverages and snacks.
 - We will need to set a date for graduation on a Wednesday night. We will have graduation and a cake on 9/26/18. That will be the students' 5th week of dancing.
 - Graduation diplomas/certificates.
 - Expected attendance as of 9/7/18:

Students: 1	Unknown (no RSVP yet): 2	Other angels: 12
Board members: 4		
- **Blue Level 1: SSD-50 (10 AM to 5 PM), which will be \$99.**
 - Sunday, September 30th, 2018 and Sunday, October 14th, 2018.
 - Ed will change the flyer, website, and calendar to match the new dates.
 - Location will be Allan's office both days.
 - *Allan will email/call the Odd Fellows in Mountain View to ask about space for future classes:*
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe_F94057VwVVocAkhKKqen12M_uJZaeiWpnU-Z77ur_I_fjQ/viewform
Outreach Committee: 650-804-9044 or jessica.dickinson.goodman@gmail.com
 - How many names do we have so far? Janet Goy & Monte Hoskins asked yesterday via email about joining the class. Eric has 11 people who have expressed interest from Fun Nights. Of the 11 people, at least 2 are good prospects: Horacio, Mike Buchanan, Daniella Wolfe, Kim Tyler, and the gentleman from Frontrunners.
 - *Eric will reach out to students to check availability.*
 - We will hold the class if we have at least 6 students.
 - We will avoid Sundays in the future.
 - Kurt will call Blue Level 1.
 - Annette will coordinate the Blue Class.
 - Allan will handle lunch, beverages, and snacks.

- There is a Paypal link for the Blue Level 1 class on the ECR website.
- A one-day Plus APD/DBD Workshop with Rob French has been postponed pending Rob's getting back to Allan on potential dates.
 - This will provide a solid foundation for those contemplating Advanced in November.
 - We would like this to be held before November 13th, 2019.
- Wednesday club nights will feature Plus until our next Level 1 Blast class.
- Callers for October Wednesday club nights will be asked to call DBD Plus for the two full-level "angel" tips.

Advanced Class

- Start on November 13th, as a traditional 30-week class on Tuesday nights, to complete in time for July's convention in Philadelphia.
- Instructor(s): Kurt, Dave, Michael Levy. Kurt will coordinate the calling schedule.
- Allan will call 30 minute review before each class.
- 2 full-level Advanced tips each night for the angels.
- Angels can pay \$8/night on Tuesdays or do a subscription.
- Ed will research how much we charged last time, and how much we paid the callers (\$30/hour).

Financial Report (Ed)

- For the Green Plus class:

Finances:

At \$300 for the room, we are very close to breaking even.

Paid to date:	\$1235
IOU (D. Milne):	\$58
	\$1293

Caller fee:	\$700
Foothills Church	\$200
Food 8/26 (Annette)	\$90
Billy DeFrank	\$300
	\$1290

- Member dues: do we need to increase the amount we charge for dues? At present, we are charging \$45 for dues. Some members paid \$50. We increased dues to \$45 two years ago. We will increase dues to \$50 effective immediately, and change the website and membership form to reflect the new amount.
- Ed has already added a PayPal donation button to our website.

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?
- Do we want to consider moving the website to a different hosting account which is not owned by a club caller?

First Fridays for Potluck Nights

- September 14th ... Michael Levy is confirmed.
- November 30th ... Rich is confirmed.
- Dates for 2019 ... Lynn has identified tentative dates thus far of March 29th, 2019, May 31st, 2019, September 27th, 2019, and November 29th, 2019.

St. Andrew's Church

- We have not yet gotten a diagram of how chairs should be laid out on Saturday night for Sunday morning.

Quarterly Dances for 2018

- Oct 27, 2018: Bronc Wise ... Confirmed with Bronc via email on 6/5/18. (MS/Plus/Advanced.)
- *Allan to contact Bronc to ask about booking flights and hosting with an ECR member.*

Quarterly Dances for 2019

- February 23, 2019: *Allan sent a request to Bill Eyler on 8/18/18. Need to discuss compensation.*
- April 20, 2019: Gary Monday (with special guest Mary Juana) is confirmed.
- August 3, 2019: *Allan sent a request to Vic Ceder on 8/18/18. There's a date conflict for Vic.*
- October 26, 2019: *Allan will ask Andy Allemao*

Lynn emailed Reverend Faasisila on 8/26 to reserve the above dates.

Alternate callers if the above don't work out: Kris Jensen, Sandie Bryant, Mike Kellogg

Caller Compensation

Instead of flying him up (which will be pricey), Bill Eyler has proposed a fixed \$150 travel fee, since he's driving from Palm Springs, and that will include any travel costs. This seems reasonable, and a more attractive travel fee for quarterly dance callers than the \$60 in gas receipts we currently reimburse. This would also help Allan book other Southern California callers, such as Vic Ceder and Mike Kellogg.

We will offer all quarterly dance callers \$350 or half the door, and if they live within driving distance but more than 100 miles away, a fixed travel fee of \$150.

IAGSDC Delegates

- For 2019, discussed Eric becoming ECR's IAGSDC Delegate, and Lynn becoming IAGSDC Alternate Delegate.
 - Eric was to communicate this to Dave and Craig.

Bylaws Change

- Anything else to discuss regarding the Bylaws Change to be voted on at the December member meeting?

New Business

- Club membership longevity dangles...this will be postponed to a future meeting.
- The ECR Membership Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 12/12/18. Ed will change the calendar to reflect the membership meeting.
- Holiday Schedule:
 - We will be dark on 12/25 and 12/26 due to the Christmas holiday.
 - We will be dark on 11/6/18 due to the election.
 - We will be dark on Tuesday 1/1/19 due to the New Year's holiday.
 - We will have dancing on 1/2/19.

Next Board Meeting: Saturday, Oct 13, 2018 at 9:30 AM, at Allan's office (KIS, 48383 Fremont Boulevard #122, Fremont, CA 94538).