

Embodydance Community Council Minutes, January 30, 2013

Council convened at 10:30 am at the Station Coffee House at the Railyard. Present were CC members Alec Walling, Ana G. Biele, Deanna Hallmark, and Tom Nunes, along with Board representative, Azlan White. Ana facilitated, Deanna took minutes.

After the Embodydance consensus statement was read, the first order of old business was a report from the T-shirt committee. Ana G Biele toured Santa Fe Graphics & Design to get a better idea of what is possible and which printing process speaks to what a dancer would want to wear. The rubbery stamp like quality of the designs that we all reviewed is not what speaks to our sensibility, and Ana had connected with one or two women who felt the one design in front might be awkward depending on whether we have big breasts or not, etc. She liked something that might curve around the shirt that might feel “softer,” and more flattering for all dancers, no matter what size. So we imagined a drawing, drawn by a young artist in the community, that would listen to the spirit of our dance and draw something unique for our community. Ana discovered a T-shirt process that is a simple process that appears nearly tattoo-like on the shirt and will be much more evocative for us as a dancing group to wear so that people are asking us where we dance and how to be part of Embodydance! There is a young artist in Santa Fe, named Kalindi, that Ana and Azlan are tracking down. The best news of all is that there is no particular minimum order or style that we must choose for all. Once we decide on the design, for the most part, it can be printed on most styles. So the T-shirt committee will continue to work on the T-shirt and in a few months, you’ll see a beautiful new Embodydance T-shirt! And, there is always the opportunity to make more! So if someone is inspired to make another design, they will have that opportunity in the future!

Since we had tabled the discussion regarding an anniversary party at our last meeting and Scott Shucker submitted a proposal as new business to postpone the event until a later date, we agreed to a postponement and table further discussion on the matter to a later date; hoping for Equinox and warmer weather.

We agreed that the Annual Meeting, scheduled for Sunday, February 24, 2013, would take place following the dance to install new officers of the BOD and Council and would be immediately followed by a Community meeting to conduct any business which required consideration by the Community-at-large. We tabled setting the agenda for the community meeting to the next Council meeting scheduled two weeks forward on Tuesday, February 12, 2013. (Both of these meetings have now been delayed)

As the deadline for submission of candidacy for the election to fill the two vacant seats on the CC is this coming Friday (midnight), Feb 1, and no one had yet to submit their name in

candidacy, we discussed but did not come to a consensus to delay the deadline another week and Alec agreed to announce the deadline and call for candidates one more time on Thursday evening. Alec will call for CC candidates on Thursday night's dance and Ana will post on Facebook to let people know we are still wanting candidates.

For new business we first took under advisement a proposal from Alex Janzer that we purchase a new set of laser lights to replace the ones that Jill Love had graciously loaned to us in the past, now that she has decided to leave Santa Fe for good. We tabled further discussion while Ana shops around for the best deal possible.

We next discussed the possibility of establishing an online campaign for fundraising for the community and for establishing a PayPal account for accepting donations and for payment of the punch cards. Deanna agreed to investigate both possibilities as she already has some prior experience with both and to report back to the Council her findings.

It was brought to attention that Deanna made a mistake in the last set of meeting notes from the first meeting in January. The correction is that the council decided it was appropriate for all trainers to be paid the same amount, \$25 per hour for their time, for training Dance Facilitators of Embodydance. It seems that each "trainer" is special in a unique way and no one is better than the rest. They each offer something unique and important.

Azlan proposed that we might consider investigating alternative ways of conducting our larger Council meetings including but not limited to the idea of a talking stick as a way to expedite discussions and avoid talking over each other. We formed a committee of Ana and Azlan to address our agenda setting and talking stick for next meeting.

We ended the meeting with a general discussion about considering taking on the responsibility for Elise of replacing the filtration system to the water fountain which the Performance Space decided to remove rather than incur the cost of replacement when it no longer worked.

As we already scheduled the next council meeting two weeks from today, location to be determined, we adjourned at 11:30 am. (this meeting has been delayed) A new meeting has yet to be determined because of an out of town member: Alec.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Hallmark
Council Secretary