

February 20 & February 29, 2013

The Community Council, at our meeting this morning, with added communications through e-mail has consensed the following:

The issue of alcohol or a strict “no alcohol policy,” was raised with the CC, by Ruth, via communications with Ana G. Biele. The CC feels it is important that Embodysdance does not ever offer or pay for alcohol at our events, and that we are clear that Embodysdance and the practice of Ecstatic Dance, is a “Drug and Alcohol Free Space,” however, at Community Meetings that take place outside of the Dance Space, (right now the Railyard), they are subject to the restrictions and/or choices of the person hosting the event. For example, we feel that if one or more dancers and/or board members and/or community council members choose to have a glass of wine, or a beer outside of the dance space, at a Community Meeting Potluck Dinner, hosted at an individual’s home, that this is ok. We feel it is not our place to prohibit anyone’s free choice in this area.

T-Shirts - - for 2013

The first T-shirt, to be released in 2013 will be run by our T-shirt committee. Anyone who would like to participate in this process, needs to talk to the T-shirt Committee: Ana G Biele and Tom Nunes.

Annual Community Meeting (upcoming)

Discussion about infusing a structure into the Community Meetings that

1. Stays focused on its intention
2. Has clear intention
3. Has a strong container
4. Integrates Compassionate Communications Consciousness. (if anyone has a question about what this is, e-mail Azlan or Ana)—or find them on Facebook.

We will send the current Agenda out to CC Members to look at, before finalizing for the meeting.

Current Agenda Below:

1. Lyric has offered to begin the meeting with a “grounding and centering ritual.” This will be first on the Agenda so far.
2. Talking Stick Council Circle, (this part may or may not be TIMED) if it is timed, there is an allocated Timer, who will have an allocated SOUND. There may be times when we choose not to have a limit during a community meeting. We have chosen to have a 3 minute limit for this meeting: welcoming each member, who says their name, and shares how they are really “FEELING,” at this moment in this day, as well as in their life, then, we may invite another sharing. These sharings will build upon the teachings and understandings of Non-Violent Communications and/or Compassionate Communications and/or the practice of Conscious Languageing. (three wisdom traditions we choose to draw upon for our Community Meetings).
3. Elections & Installation of New CC Members and any New Board Members—as well as clarifying which members carry over and which members will step down.
4. Embodysdance in PRINT! Tom Nunes will extend an invitation to those present, and later to the wider community, inviting people to submit articles to the “Embodysdance Yearly Journal” which we will PRINT!!! Tom is managing this committee, so if you would like to submit an article, speak

with him! There is an editorial committee which will select articles for this yearly publication. Speak with Tom if you would like to participate in some way with this publication.

5. Website Redesign – Lyric will offer herself as a liason for the Embodydance Website, asking for ideas, brainstorming and feedback to be sent her direction for the new revolutionary upgrade that John Cavanagh is building for us.

6. Saturday Night Monthly Theme Parties!! (Timed shares, no more than 1 minute per person!) Timer!! Ana Gonzales Biele has been wanting to see Embodydance expand into areas that are wanted and needed by us, the community, and one of those ways is MORE DANCING!!! We discussed the possibility of Embodydance hosting a SATURDAY NIGHT THEMED DANCE PARTY once a month. We would like to hear the community's feedback on this idea.

7. Schedule Meeting dates for the Community Meetings, for the rest of the year.

8. On Sunday 2/24/13, Elise Gent "felt compelled" to come over and have a discussion with us. The EmbodyDance group left things unattended after the previous Thursday night dance which was facilitated by Elizabeth and Doug was the coordinator. The list is as follows:

Track Door was left open

Women's toilet out of order and not reported

Clothes not picked up

Stuff left on porch

We are being charged a little less than "going-rate" and want to continue the best relationship possible which means being on our tasks BEFORE, DURING and AFTER DANCE. It seems that written apology to Elise would be in order.

9. Ask the community if there are other items and if people would like to stay longer. Ask for Consensus on this. If Consensus is No, we adjourn the meeting at this point. If consensus is Yes, whomever would like to stay, can stay and continue.