

Embodydance Community Council meeting

February 28, 2014

Attendance: Ana, Guthrie, M, Lyric, Raphael

Notes taken by Lyric

Meeting convened at 9:45 am

Sound Issues from Elaine Bell APF Form (see 2/12/14 minutes for original copy)

Consensus Research decibel meters

1. Decibel meter put into place on Sunday, 2/23 and Thursday, 2/27 to test it.
2. Sunday the meter never went into the "red" which starts at 80
3. Thursday the meter went up to 96 (90 is a "motorcycle" at 30 feet away)
4. 90 decibels is LOUD - and Raphael reported that it started to feel to be "too much" at 90.
5. There is an APP for this for smartphones. dBPro is the name of the app. Raphael will continue to test
6. Freestanding dB meter is about \$30. **Consensus Reached Raphael will research to see what ED should invest in and then purchase one. Budget no more than \$50.** Perhaps one can plug into the Numark deck so we can track over time.
7. Dangerousdecibels.org: If dB reaches 85 or more, then it can cause permanent damage with continued use.
8. **Consensus Reached Ask Facilitators to get a dB meter on their phones until we can get a physical one. Ana to contact Facilitators to put this into place.**
9. Ana went to a 5Rhythms workshops. Chaos was really short and the sound was way more subtle. It was about the practice of the rhythms as opposed to getting the energy of the room up. It felt to be returning to your authentic self rather than the external party energy.
10. I don't need volume to enjoy my dance. When I felt I needed to check the meter, it was on the edge of the red (80 db) it was plenty loud. There is absolutely no need to have high volume. We've already had complaints and possible liability.
11. **Consensus Reached: Test for 8 weeks to not to go over 85 dB and see how it feels and how people respond.**
12. Pharmaca has better earplugs for \$3.95.

Events on ED Website

Name: Lyric Kali

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Subject: Meeting Agenda Item

Comments: John (our web designer) wants to know if we wish to actually post events from our community members that ED members are invited to. Please advise.

- It is a community building function. social vs. business
- FB seems to act as community sharing
- Our website is our face to the world. Putting random things there doesn't seem like it belongs or necessary.
- Parties and social events should stick to FB
- **Consensus Reached: Dance events, workshops, or classes are the only thing that should be listed on ED website. Any dance event in Santa Fe or ABQ or Taos is fine to list.**

Deposit and Stats Reporting from Board:

Please ask Francesca to provide a full month of deposits rather than a partial month. ***Guthrie to contact Francesca***

- We should track money and total number of people. Board is changing two forms in a small way. Guthrie is interfacing with Scott Shukar, coordinator who manages the forms.
- Raphael has a few suggestions for the money form—specifically track the Angel Fund use
- Raphael bought a cookie jar to create an Angel Fund jar.
- Psychology supports coming from an abundant place—providing support via the angel fund is a conscious way to make the exchange.
- “Yes, I can afford this, with the help of my community”
- A communiqué on this topic is in the works. Lyric to finalize
- Volunteers are getting in through an exchange of energy. There is no “dance for free” in this way.

Dates to Finalize

Special Saturday: March 29, 2014. 7:00 pm set-up. 7:30 begin

- Facilitators are: Kathleen and Mariana
- Space Reservation: Ana to contact Elise
- Coordinators: TBD Ana to contact coordinators
- Altar: Lehigh?
- Money/Greeting:

Facilitator Pay Increase for Special Saturday

Name: Lyric Kali

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Subject: Meeting Agenda Item

Comments: Proposal to increase facilitator pay from \$150 to \$175 for Special Saturday events due to feedback from a few facilitators.

We have been breaking even or making a bit of money. It doesn't cost ED any more money. It is more work and time from Facilitator for theme, holding space, etc. ***Consensus Reached Yes, raise facilitator pay to \$175 on Special Saturday, effective immediately.***

Special Saturday Protocol Sheet: Ana and Lyric to finish up and send to all CC members

Annual Meeting: March 27, to reinstate Board Members, pending approval of space

ED Birthday Party: May 3, pending approval for the space

Workshop Proposal: What are the challenges to being present in the dance experience and how do people deal with that. Perhaps it could be part of a workshop we might have. A collaborative workshop—multiple leaders. Bring back to the table next week.

Employee vs. Independent Contractor: M and Ana decided that this contract thing is the work of the Board. Ruth feels that the bottom line from the accounting world is that facilitators are not employees. The Board will handle the contracts. The CC needs to come up with the facilitator deliverables.

CRS: The fee is \$175 + gross receipts tax. Facilitators should send invoices. ***Put this on the agenda for the Annual Meeting.***

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am