

## **Embodydance Santa Fe Community Council Meeting, 7 November, 2015**

**Location:** Home of Jay Lynch, 727 Santa Ana Street, Santa Fe, NM 87505

**Present:** Ana Biele, Julie Glassmoyer, Jay Lynch (facilitator), Guthrie Miller (note-taker), Dave Ruther, Scott Shuker, Alec Walling, Raphael Weisman

**Opening Meditation:** Offered by Raphael.

**Consensus Statement** was read.

**CC Meeting Minutes** from 23 November, 2015 were approved. They had been posted on the web site three times by John Cavanagh, which was unfortunate, because before each posting he reformats the document for uniform appearance. There was a discussion of the use of Dropbox, with most present preferring the draft minutes to be emailed rather than posted on Dropbox.

### **Next Meeting**

Time: 11 January, 2016, 5:30PM

Place: Jay's home, 727 Santa Ana. (340-474-9001).

Note taker: Raphael

Facilitator: Guthrie

### **Ruth**

Ruth is withdrawing as the ED accountant in February, so we are now seeking a new bookkeeper. Several names were mentioned and Ana, Raphael, and Julie agreed to follow up on this before the next meeting.

### **Website**

The CC agreed that the minimum donation to receive a dance card be \$88. The website verbiage should be

*Embodydance is a community-run non-profit organization for the purpose of bringing the spiritual practice of Ecstatic Dance to the greater community of Santa Fe. Your donations to Embodydance make this possible. Our expenses in this endeavor are significant (link to full-year profit and loss statements for 2014 and 2013 ).*

*By purchasing a dance card you demonstrate a commitment to the community, and you will automatically receive an end-of-year acknowledgment of your donation. Please contribute as much as you are able. The suggested minimum donation is \$88 (\$11 per dance, \$1 less than the*

*suggested at-the-door donation).*

*Thank you,*

*The Embodyspace Community Council*

The CC also feels some urgency about getting the blog up and running on the website, and asks our webmaster to give it priority and have it running in two weeks or report back to the CC the reasons why this will take longer.

### **Sunday Dance**

Based on Jay's polling, it appears that most people would prefer the Sunday dance to remain at 3pm. The CC decided to leave the Sunday dance time as is for the time being.

### **Report from Facilitators meeting**

Alec, Ana, Tracy and Vi attended the meeting. The Facilitators discussed the need for a more consistent, more precise container being set by the Facilitators in their introduction to the wave. The importance of the altars and how the Facilitators might coordinate with altar builders was discussed. The CC is reviewing facilitator training protocol as well as pay structures for Facilitators going forward. Ana will send out the drafts when they are complete. Ana commented on the high level of professionalism being shown by the Facilitators and the coordinators. Regarding reuse of waves, Ana commented that with Alec and her using Spotify, wave reuse is quite feasible.

### **Tracy Collins' Facilitator salary recalibration proposal**

Tracy suggested that the facilitator compensation be based on years of experience, so that the present \$175 + tax would apply to only one of our present Facilitators, and the others would be stepped back. She said this would save \$3000 per year. Julie mentioned that the survey indicated that all the Facilitators were ranked almost equally high. Scott stated that proposals for salary cuts by coordinators or Facilitators are strongly opposed by the affected persons. It was decided to tie this proposal to the reconsideration of facilitator training and protocols and take it up again at the next meeting.

### **Inviting guest Facilitators for Sundays**

We need to be proactive. Our income does not match expenses. We would like to do something that stimulates more dancers attending on Sundays. We have seen guest Facilitators bring more dancers into the room on Thursdays. It seems likely that this will be the same for Sunday's dance. Also, there are quite a few community members in favor of opening up to some extent the facilitation of ED. Dave Ruther mentioned that he has often attended Chloe Goodman's waves and that he really appreciates the different quality of Chloe Goodman's music. Other possible guest Facilitators were discussed. It was decided that for some Sunday in January (January 3 was specifically mentioned as a possibility) an

outsider would be invited to facilitate. This would be someone in the Santa Fe community who is known and respected for their work by at least several of us. The person would be approved by the Facilitators. This would be an experiment in freshening and invigorating Embodiment facilitation by synergistic interaction with the greater Santa Fe dance community in a spirit of cooperation rather than competition.

### **Miscellaneous**

Raphael mentioned the continuing need for a publicity committee. Alec mentioned that we might consider offering “life-time dance cards” for perhaps \$5000 to \$10000.

**Closing meditation:** offered by Raphael.