

Thursday, April 09, 2009 IAGSDC Delegates Meeting

- Roll was called at 10:08 AM by Scott Philips
- Scott commented this was one of the largest attendances ever. 9 clubs didn't show up this year, but 18 didn't show up last year.
- John Zemko / DCDC Chair - welcomed delegates to the city and hotel. As of 1:30 AM, we had 820 [paid] registrants. This is a lower number than we'd originally anticipated, and we've talked with other conventions so they could adjust their expectations. Even with the reduced attendance, DCDC is still on budget. All calling staff is present except for one (Tim Crawford) who couldn't make it due to immigration issues. We had 7 tours scheduled, all went off without a hitch. (Except for the vanishing tour guide on the Spy Museum tour.). We have approximately 30 first-timers, and a number of walk-ins.
- Minutes of last year's meetings were sent out in last year's post-convention mailing, and were available at last year's brunch.
- Minutes were approved.
- Financial report was approved. IAGSDC lost \$389 in 2008, but has nearly \$27,000 in cash in the bank.
- Phil Davis:
 - Teaching tapes are in the process of being digitized and will eventually be uploaded to the website and made available to clubs.
 - Please update your club's Iggy profile.
 - There has been a reduction of banner requests and display requests.
 - The display needs updating (new/dropped clubs, new photos)
 - Raleighwood is in process of disbanding.
 - Ottawa Date Squares = down to 6 members, but will remain an associate club for now.
 - Madcap Squares = no information on them or Cream City Squares.
 - Temple Squares = 12 members, was voted into IAGSDC during this meeting.
 - Redwood Squares / Sebastopol = paperwork in process, will be ratified in Chicago.
 - Cincinnati men-only CW dancing group = requesting associate membership, no more info available at present.
 - If you move somewhere without gay square

dancing, please contact Phil for help in setting up a new club.

- Stan Kawecki - Touch A Quarter Century
 - We think we had a beautiful convention, and now it's all over, and we can do our little happy dance since this is our last act as co-chairs.
 - Cleveland Convention made \$6829.22, which (after IAGSDC's 15% cut, was distributed to All Join Hands, CCCD, and Rainbow Wranglers.)
- Seth Levine - Convention Advisory Committee = 2:00 PM Sunday
 - CAC open only to people who are currently involved or are involved in a bid for a future convention.
 - Joining the CAC gives you access to documentation on the website regarding how to run a convention. Contact Seth for access.
- John Glover - Chicago 2010 Convention
 - We're pleased to welcome you to Chicago July 4th weekend at the Chicago Hilton
 - Chicago Gay Pride is the weekend before Convention
 - Taste of Chicago is going on during Convention weekend
 - Fireworks on July 3rd (CSO) and 4th.
 - Convention rate will be available 3 days before and after room block (6/23 - 7/8) - \$139/single \$159/triple-quad, \$169/double-double
 - Hilton room block not open until July 1st, 2009.
 - Preconvention tours ready to go.
 - Registration rate at \$165, goes up to \$180 after DCDC is over.
 - Raffle off an afghan, a Garmin navigation system, and a Wii at the booth.
 - <http://www.chicago2010.com>
- Alan Field & Ken Tolleson - Atlanta 2011
 - Hotel booked, most callers contracted.
 - Marriott Marquis, largest in Atlanta
 - Hotel on MARTA line from airport, near downtown attractions
 - Saturday morning at 7:00 AM = first 100 early registrations @ \$125
 - Room rate is \$149/single, \$159/double, \$169/quad
- John McKinstrie - Vancouver 2012
 - June 29th - July 2nd (room rates good for 3 days before and 3 days after)
 - Hotel (Hyatt) is bending over backwards to be helpful to us, good downtown location
 - Room Rates = CDN\$169/night

- 2013 Bids were presented by San Francisco & Phoenix

-- SF Room block runs from Thursday before Pride to Monday after Convention + 3 days before and after

- Voting: We're going to San Francisco in 2013

- 2014 Bids were opened. Salt Lake City (Temple Squares) was the only club to bid.

- Sound problems? Call Room 105.

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- Rainbow Trust Report: \$13,691.65 in contributions, Since 1996: \$158,351.75, Remaining trust: \$5,000+

- Petersen Fund Committee: Grants awarded last year: 11 clubs, 1/2 of the clubs have asked for and received all of their monies. We opened a CD at 1.8% interest with the current balance. Funds available = roughly \$39,000 (\$12K/year on average). Since Peterson established, over \$132K has gone out to clubs in our organization. We have 10 new grants to review this weekend, including some of the new clubs that have just formed or are forming. We'd like all clubs to fill out the Petersen Fund survey, even if you're not interested in Petersen funds. Only 5 surveys have been completed. We really want more of the clubs to do so.

- AJH: funded 12 students in this year's GCA Caller School. 2 memorial donations in 2008: Mamele Levine & Warren Jaquith. \$15,183.89 in donations received, including Woody's \$5,000 Pat Hatlen challenge. Mary Jane Wood was elected as the newest member of the AJH Advisory Board. United Way funds can now be directed to AJH.

- Kris Jensen/CALLERLAB: 152 callers in attendance, GCA attendance was down to 4 people. No major decisions at GA, but the Triennial Review starts this year, with all program committees preparing to discuss dropping/adding calls. At least 2 GCA members received quarter century awards: Bill Eyler & Barry Clasper. We have many friends on the BOG - including chairman John Marshall, who invited Kirs to the planning committee meeting. Next year's CALLERLAB will be in Niagara Falls, and the year after that in Las Vegas, always the week before

Easter.

- Ron Legters/GCA: Caller school had 11 students, but was still quite successful. Good mix of students from beginner to experienced. Tood Fellegy and Anne Uebelacker were the teachers. Thank you AJH for sponsoring the school! GCA membership now stands at 102 paid members, including ALL DCDC 2009 staff callers.

- Scott Philips/ARTS Committee Report - ARTS now has \$36,000+ in the treasury, ContraLAB announced that their Contra 101 program is nearly ready for publication, primary accomplishment this year was (after 4 or 5 years of discussion) approval of a Web Video Project proposed by Roy & Betsy Gotta. The project's goal is to produce a marketing tool to raise awareness and bring new members to the recreational dance communities. This will be an interactive website, designed to show up high in the Google hit list if anyone searches on "dancing". Price will be roughly \$20K to get the site online, up and running.

- At the next NSDC (Long Beach, June 24-27, 2009), there will be a Rainbow Room at lunchtime (12-2pm) and dinnertime (5-7pm) all three days, PLUS a big afterparty on Saturday night from 10pm-11:45pm, in a 17,000 sqft hall, called by Michael Kellogg and whoever else he can dig up.

- IAGSDC/ Sec'y-Vice Chair-Club Liaison.
-- Nominated for Secretary & elected: Michael Spayd, CCCD
-- Nominated for Vice Chair & elected: Keith Gehrig
-- Nominated for Club Liaison: Phil Davis, Chi-Town

- Petersen Trust/Keith Gehrig
-- We need to fill two positions on the Petersen Committee.
-- Nominated: Randy Clarke
-- Nominated: Charles Taylor
-- Both elected by acclamation.

Meeting adjourned at 2:59 PM

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