

# RSCDS-SF Teachers' Committee Meeting 05/15/2021

## Call to order

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Armin called the meeting to order at 14:03/02:03pm

1. Bradley Hobbs
2. Kathy Jorgensen
3. Juliet Davoren
4. Alan Twigg
5. Sara Gratiot
6. Paula Jacobson
7. Lori Howard
8. Linda Henderson
9. Kathy Allen
10. Bruce Herbold
11. Fred DeMarse
12. Geoffrey Wood
13. Don MacQueen
14. Armin Busse

## Apologies

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- Rachel Pusey
- Lin Pettengill
- Trina Merriman
- Tim Wilson
- Dilip Sequeira

## Edit Agenda

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None

## Announcements

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None

## Old Business

## Minutes of previous meeting

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Bradley/Sara motion to approve the previous minutes.

13/0/0, motion carries.

## New Business

### Approve TC-BC Liaison

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Nominated: Don MacQueen (currently not present)

13/0/0, liaison approved, if Don agrees.

Armin will contact Don to confirm.

Thanks to Bradley for year of service as the liaison and board member.

## Report TAC

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None

Alan reported:

- TAC will be having a virtual event at the AGM weekend
- No teacher certification this year
- Next year in Calgary
- The following year in Halifax

## Report Board

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Bradley reported:

### **Asilomar**

Registration for Asilomar has started.

### **Jean Patrick Event**

JP on the fence, unclear what is happening to the Highland games in Pleasanton.

### **Classes**

Reopening of dancing. Left up to teachers and classes.

### **Branch website**

Still working on the website. Results any year now...

(Don MacQueen joining)

### **Shoe Goo, i.e., Dow Corning RTV 3140**

A theory was discussed that Dow Corning RTV 3140, which has been in use by branch members for a while, is making the dance floor slippery due to silicon layer.

- Shoes without Dow Corning have reduced problems with halls and other classes (ballet dancers).
- Slip Stop as alternative was discussed.
- A factor may also be the lack of humidity in California. Other places with high humidity do have less of the leather on slippery floor problem.
- Dance class locations that had problems have resolved their issues. Other dance locations seem to be acceptable.
- If we ask about it might become a problem.

Further study is recommended.

### **Vaccinations**

We have seen comments to require vaccinations, others who object to that requirement. Don is unclear how to navigate this. Nobody should feel pressure to do something they feel uncomfortable with.

## Approve TC-BC Liaison (revisited)

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Nominated: Don MacQueen

Don provided a qualifying yes. (Will take on the liaison, if it doesn't work out, we look for another solution.)

## Other Business

### Other announcements

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#### **Labor Day Weekend**

Don MacQueen about the Labor Day Weekend:

At least reduced 1-day or 2-day event, might be determined soon. Likely on Labor Day weekend, if 1-day then it might be likely on Saturday.

#### **Survey**

Bruce Herbold reported that they conducted a survey about vaccinations. Two other teachers have been interested in conducting a survey.

#### **Membership**

Membership is down by 19%.

Showing support is essential.

Life will have moved on for some. How do we move on (recruiting)?

#### **US Dance Competition**

Highland Dance has strict rules and criteria for competitions.

#### **Campbell Class**

12 out of 25 met outside with masks on that Sunday.

#### **Santa Cruz**

Getting requests on the website to be notified when classes start up again.

(Bruce Herbold departing)

### Choose dates for next meetings

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09/18/21 might be a hybrid meeting

01/15/22

### Adjourn

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Motion to adjourn: Bradley/Paula

12/0/0, motion accepted.

15:03/03:03pm adjourned

05/16/2021 Draft - Armin Busse

09/18/2021 Amended- Armin Busse