



Boulder Dance Coalition

Music, Dance & Folk Culture

6185 Arapahoe Road

Boulder, CO 80303

BDC Board Meeting - Minutes

1 June 2017 at the home of Susan Smith.

President Larry Utter called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

PRESENT:

Susan Smith, Steward Hartman, Larry Utter, Jim Borzým, Radu Popescu, Chuck Palmer, Bill Johns, Caroline Stepanek, Deborah Howard, Willard Crary.

We have a quorum.

Jim holds a proxy for Susie and Rick.

ABSENT:

Do Verdier, Susie Reisser, Joseph Snowhawk, Rick Thompson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

6 April 2017; Susan / Chuck move to approve. Approved unanimously.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING:

Jim will compile this.

TREASURER REPORT: Report given by Deborah.

\$6,969.85 in the account.

AVALON MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: Report given by Caroline.

Maggie Butler made a full report at the Annual Meeting. No additional information at this time.

AVALON REPORT: Report given by Chuck.

Parking Lot and PV System: Application was submitted to the County for a minor modification of the land use plan, to cover an expanded parking lot with a structure to support photovoltaic (PV) panels to generate electric power. The parking lot will expand to the west edge of the property. To include three additional handicap spaces; 40 additional parking spaces total. To include pedestrian pass-throughs, and a central curb. There will be two single-sloping structures tall enough for fire-truck entry, and lighting underneath. There will be about ten EV automobile charging stations. Preliminary meeting with transportation office was held. Chuck is talking with companies about pricing, parking lot drainage, net metering, utility credits, etc. Cost and return-on-investment is being studied. Total cost is several million dollars. There are several similar installations in town. The Avalon is currently paying ~\$10,000/month for electric power. Within 10 – 15 years we would “get all our power for free”. Parking lot would need to be done first. PV installation would be in future by many months. There was discussion of storm water runoff, and solar tax credits. We have a survey map of elevation of the entire property, which was made recently.

Ballroom coffers have been mocked up including two kinds of LED strip lighting.

Parking lot light is out; it will be checked.

Re-location of fire-sprinkler pipes in the ballroom has been delayed.

In preparation for new HVAC in ballroom, a new roof curb has been installed; this in order to relocate an existing rooftop unit to make clearance for future ballroom ductwork. The plans include future air circulation in the coatroom.

The north and east sides of the building have been prepared, and the north side caulked and prime painted.

There is a concept for accent lighting on the exterior of the building.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT: Report given by Chuck.

The video shown at the Annual Meeting featuring the International Festival was made by Erin Bonich. Chuck talked with her about possible Coalition website design.

Radu has decided he does not want to do a newsletter for various reasons. He thinks that email is no longer an effective method of communication, especially to young people.

Larry plans to send a President's Letter including information about the results of the elections.

There was general discussion of several topics including Facebook.

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL:

Susan reported that the Festival Committee was unilaterally dissolved by Jim Schwartzkopff, who said he doesn't need a committee.

The festival is in two weeks.

Jim S. established a crowd-funding site a few days ago.

Susan mentions that she has not seen any publicity. Chuck says the full schedule is posted on the website. Larry found the Festival listed on EventBrite. There are some stale links on the BDC website.

There was general discussion. No direction was given by the Board.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

All current officers are willing to sit again. Larry called for any additional nominations; there were none.

It was moved to approve all existing officers as "a slate" to continue in their offices. Approved unanimously.

These officers are:

Larry Utter, President

Jim Borzym, Vice-President

Deborah Howard, Treasurer

Susie Reisser, Secretary

LIBRARY MATERIALS:

Jim requested authority to negotiate a potential sale.
Chuck moved to authorize Jim to investigate a sale. Approved.
Chuck recommended looking at an auction house in Longmont.
Ed Secore is a woodworker/carpenter involved in restoration work.
Jim will pursue. Larry offers to help.

FINANCES:

Bill asked about the trends of income and profit, both of which are down in the most recent fiscal year. There was general discussion all around. The Finance Committee studied this topic at its most recent meeting. The bottom line is still that the Avalon is profitable and the Coalition at the Avalon is profitable.

GOALS:

Larry: What do we want to accomplish?

Caroline: What have we become? We used to be a group of struggling folk dance groups with a great dance community, now we are a successful business --- but maybe now the community is faltering. Caroline's goal would be to work towards greater community.

Jim: AVD, Mass Movement, contradance and salsa have strong community.

Chuck moves that we conduct an annual retreat to discuss goals. Approved.

Saturday, 12 August was suggested as a potential date for an annual retreat.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Larry suggests that we meet less often. Chuck suggests that we selectively cancel meetings rather than making them routinely less frequent.

Steward will distribute the current statement of Coalition "purposes" for review.

NEXT MEETING: 6 July 2017, at the home of Susan Smith, or location as may otherwise be announced.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:06 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Borzým, standing in for Susie Reisser, Secretary.