



Boulder Dance Coalition

Music, Dance & Folk Culture

6185 Arapahoe Road

Boulder, CO 80303

Minutes BDC Board Meeting 05-06-25. President Dorothy Vernon called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM via Zoom.

ATTENDANCE: Dorothy Vernon, Chuck Palmer, Susan Smith, Larry Utter, Caroline Stepanek, Bob Warden

ABSENT: Susie Reisser, Steward Hartman

GUESTS: Kasia Snowhawk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 03-06-25. Bob motion, 2nd Susan. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED BYLAWS. Subject to technical correction of Bylaws proposed by Larry. Bob motion, Larry 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

STANDING REPORTS

TREASURER: Larry – See attached report. \$30k interest payment to Chuck paid in early April. But Avalon revenue increased by an approximate equal amount, so net balance of combined accounts has increased modestly.

AVALON MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: See attached Report from Becky Bragg. Caroline S – AMC recommends two new members to committee: Marshall Shapiro and Mary Wohl Haan. Dorothy provided a brief background on Mary, supplemented by Susan. Motion by Chuck; 2nd by Bob. Unanimously approved.

AVALON: Kasia – we have more and more new event organizers, we're having to turn organizers away due to lack of available space. It's beautiful to see excitement about imminent completion of ballroom. Chuck – ceiling trim should be finished in about two weeks; painting in another two weeks. Fabric should be installed in about 6 weeks. Then need final inspection to be completed. Some painting and curtains will follow in due course. Still need to work out programming of HVAC system; Chuck is in contact with the contractor. Carpet is now installed, including baseboard carpeting, finished today. Laid with floor tile glue, so individual squares can be replaced if there is damage or unremoveable stain. Chuck is in communication with square dance group hoping to use Avalon as model for another community dance facility outside Loveland. Also meeting with another group about battery backup power resiliency. Need to reinstall North Hall carpeting to minimize movement.

BUSINESS

Chuck reports that marijuana facility received denial of marijuana license due to non-payment of property taxes. Caroline F. and Chuck will follow up.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Larry reported that, this year, we have 91 member organizations and individuals, possibly two more, the most ever. We lost one organization because they couldn't find a suitable time for their event. 38 members paid their membership dues through Zelle; which is useful for members, but creates a bit more work for Larry and Kasia. We have an Avalon Mailchimp account that facilitates communications with all members.

TAX EXEMPTION UPDATE: Caroline F. reported that the property tax exemption application was submitted on April 29. We have not paid property taxes, based on advice of counsel, we do not have to pay any portion of taxes until a ruling is received. We expect to receive a response in 12 to 18 months, with likely questions coming in the meantime.

VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT: See attached report from Dorothy.

ANNUAL MEETING: June 8. Meeting begins at 2 p.m.; setup at 1. Need to end by 5 p.m.

- a. Remarks from President – Dorothy.
- b. Finances – Larry.
- c. AMC – Caroline S.
- d. Avalon – Chuck.
- e. Mortgage/buyout/tax exemption – Caroline F.
- f. Election results – Dorothy.
- g. Volunteer recruitment – Becky.
- h. Tech Support at meeting – run projector – Kasia.
- i. Minutes – Caroline F.
- j. Expiring terms: Susan S. and Caroline F. Caroline F. agrees to renew. Susan S. is retiring from Board.
- k. Nominees: Marshall Shapiro.
- l. Refreshments: Caroline S.
- m. Ideally each speaker will prepare 1 to 5 bullet points on their topic. Any format is fine, including just in an email. Send to Dorothy by June 3.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Marshall Shapiro is only currently identified candidate for Board.

DISCUSSION – COMMITTEES: AMC has new committee members; no members yet identified for any of these other committees. Perhaps we can recruit interested members through communications about annual meeting and Volunteer Recruitment plan Dorothy, Becky, and Caroline F. have been working on. Discussion tabled until after annual meeting.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT: June 5, 5:30PM. Adjourn – MOTION: Bob. Susan – 2nd. Motion passed unanimously. We can consider later whether this meeting is necessary to prepare for Annual Meeting, or whether it can be canceled.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Fuller, Vice President

ATTACHMENTS:

Treasurer's Report as of 5/6/2025					
			Current	4/3/25	
Chase Bank					
	BDC		\$60,945	\$92,407	
	Avalon		\$273,985	\$241,168	
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			\$334,930	\$333,575	
Schwab					
	Stock		\$4,828	\$5,001	
		(to keep acct open: 140 sh Comcast)			
	Money Market		\$113,800	\$113,433	
	Cash		\$3,679	\$3,633	
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	Cash + MM		\$117,479	\$117,066	
Total of all cash and money market:					
			\$452,409	\$450,641	

AMC Report

Members: Chuck Palmer, Caroline Stepanek, Becky Bragg

1. AMC Membership
 - a. We will be adding two new members in May
 - b. We are currently interviewing for new members.
2. Carpeting
 - a. Carpeting has been ordered and will be installed in May
3. Furniture
 - a. Caroline S. and Becky continue to research where to find furniture
 - b. Chuck suggested Craig's List, FB Market Place, Liquidators
4. Lobby Hallway
 - a. The current colors (grey and yellow) will remain
 - b. The color of the bathroom hallway and north hallway to Sodal have been painted blue

5. Displays

- a. Becky and Mary Wohl Haan are creating a BDC history time line to be on display somewhere in the lobby.
- b. Rotating art exhibits will be on display in the lobby hallway
- c. Permanent art (from Jim X's collection) will be in the north hall and Sodal Hall

Volunteer Recruitment

Dorothy, Caroline, and Becky are working on the following:

- a volunteer recruitment poster to display in the lobby and in each studio
- a brief oral presentation to be given 2x/year to each event. The presentation describes who the BDC is and how the Avalon is run by the dance community of which the listeners are a part
- a short version of the volunteer recruitment poster in the form of a postcard that can be easily handed out during the oral presentation as well as being placed below the volunteer recruitment posters and available on the literature rack