

2016 National Conference

General Meeting

Agenda

I. Welcome, Introduction

Presenters: All current board members (William Bauer, Jeremy Dittus, Eiko Ishizuka, Jessica Schaeffer, Michael Joviala, Kathryn Jones, Anthony Molinaro and Eunjin Lee) and Lauren Hodgson.

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 22, 2016 by President, William Bauer. President introduced all current board members to memberships.

II. The DSA Mission

President explained DSA Three-fold Mission;

1. Build Community
2. Sustain the practice
3. Increase Awareness

III. The DSA Strategic Plan

In response to a meeting in 2014, President and each committee member reported about the DSA strategic plan.

- A. Budget and Finance Report, Kathryn Jones; Kathryn served as a treasurer for last six years. Special thanks to all of the presenters who presented their sessions without fee. Kathryn reported the financial summary. Anthony will take over her job as a new treasurer. The board is considering hire a professional admin.
- B. Professional Development Committee, Jeremy;
Teacher training manual was done and passed between 80-90% approval rate.
License level training manual is the next step.
PDC members need to work on accreditation. Once it is completed, the implementation is up to each individual center.
Special thanks to Kathryn Jones for her secretary job.
- C. Bylaws, Jessica Shaeffer; Revision task force that has evolved to a Governance committee for a democratic process and decision making.

D. Chapter Committee; No formal board members for this committee, but Dawn

Pratson has been working with president about how to expand our network between chapters and divisions. Dawn reported that she tried to organize the awareness about Dalcroze in Philadelphia.

Along those lines, she started partnering with Temple University in creating a possible Philadelphia regional chapter. There are possible new divisions in Addition to three chapters (TriState, Northwest and Rocky Mountain) as listed in V. A. 2. below.

E. Development Committee; Fundraising. We need a person who can help us to do fundraising

F. National Conference; For 2018 conference, we need a committee of people who are interested in organizing a national conference. Jeremy noted that the board members' primary job cannot be to put the conference on.

G. Publication Committee, Michael Joviala; Special thanks to Aaron Butler.

1) "Dalcroze Connections"; member magazine. Forum for sharing our ideas, practices, questions, lesson plans and images.

*We need someone to collect images and edit them. Weronika Balewski will Help on this project.

2) "American Dalcroze Journal"; long term goal- Digitize and Categorize them. It will be peer-reviewed journal after the symposium this year. It will be published once a year as an academic journal. There is a possibility to have a symposium maybe on an off year of the conference

H. Marketing, Lauren Hodgson and Jessica Schaffer;

1) Lauren: updating website, social media and design the brochure.

The board consulted with several marketing firms, but hasn't invested on this. We need to develop more ideas. Lauren will have some trainings about marketing.

2) Updating DSA's website, Jessica;

It is a weak part to recruit more memberships. There was a retreat to brainstorm ideas about updating the website. Greg Ristow proposed his visions in last retreat. Jeremy noted that it is important to have various resources and unified voices based on PDC's work.

3) Membership, President; Membership is the biggest marketing tool.

- I. Counsel of Diplome; It was formed a year ago to stimulate more connections and communications between diplome. Support future diplome including scholarships. Similar to the Collège in Geneva.

- J. Dalcroze Leadership Initiative; Draft Letter to administrators asking for hosting workshops and presenter funding to encourage people to present about Dalcroze.
- K. Need to create a Paid executive position; an employee of the board- executive director

- IV. Not-for-Profit Personnel
- V. Reports from Dalcroze USA
 - A. Current local/regional entities
 1. Chapters
 - a) TriState
 - b) Northwest
 - c) Rocky Mountain
 2. Divisions of Dalcroze USA; These are the areas with not enough individuals to form a chapter, but enough individuals to generate interests and workshops.
 - a) Dalcroze Pittsburgh
 - b) Dalcroze Philadelphia
 - c) Dalcroze Allentown/Bethlehem
 - d) Dalcroze Central NJ
 - e) Dalcroze Staten Island
 - f) Dalcroze Chicago
 - g) Dalcroze CA: Bay Area
 3. Other organizations
 - a) New England Dalcroze Society
 - b) Others?
 4. Starting New Chapters/Divisions

- VI. New Board of Trustees, 2016-17
Proposed slate for 2016-2016, vote of confidence
William Bauer, President
Jeremy Dittus, Vice President
Anthony Molinaro, Treasurer
Eunjin Lee, Secretary

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Michael Joviala, Managing Editor

Jessica Schaeffer

Eiko Ishizuka

Cassandra Eisenreich

3 year appointment for each member and possible renewal for one more term.

Need to appoint 3 new members to serve a new term.

We are still looking for one more member to add.

Lisa Parker made motion. Hussain Suleman seconded. All in favor and no objection

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.