



Board of Trustees, Meeting
 Thursday, March 16, 2017, 8:30 p.m. (EST) sign in to Google Hangout
 Minutes (draft)

AGENDA

| Topics | Decisions/Outcomes |
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| Scholarship Task Force (39') | The president will notify the change of the Scholarship Guideline to the directors of institutions which are not accredited Dalcroze T2 Programs about the change of direction. The president asked the board members to review the documents and the president and Alex will email for soliciting online voting. |
| DSA Self-Assessment (15') | The president suggested educating ourselves about using Slack and we will assess it in next few weeks. |
| Website Re-Designing Task Force (10') | The president will contact each member via Doodle Poll to set up a short meeting (15 min) during the weekend leading into the Agile Sprint to explain the tasks involved. |

MINUTES (Draft)

Attendance

Present: William Bauer, Paula Zerkle, Cassandra Eisenreich, Anthony Molinaro, Mary Dobra-Grindahl, Jessica Schaeffer, Eunjin Lee

Excused: Michael Joviala, Jeremy Dittus, Eiko Ishizuka

Administration Present: Alex Marthaler

MOTION: The board approved the minutes of the general business meeting held on January 26, 2017. Cassandra so moved; Paula seconded; motion carried unanimously without discussion.

- **Scholarship Task Force:**

- The president shared a newly proposed definition of the qualification of applicants as “United States residents” and the qualification of a Dalcroze educator for reference letters as “Dalcroze teachers who are credited by institutions acknowledged by the DSA”; the qualifications are not mandatory but are encouraged. Please read the revised guidelines for applicants:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/131_vGCTF-PFi3SiBaEO7h5UwhnEVimlWBIAzc3zhu0w/edit
- The application deadline is Sunday, April 30, 2017.
- The president suggested that we solicit online voting for motions regarding adopting the new guidelines. There was a discussion about limiting scholarship recipients to only those who attend on-site physical institutions (including summer programs) and excluding attendees who pursue Dalcroze teacher training via distance learning only.
- The selection of committee members: The chair of the committee will recruit a maximum of six (including chairs) and a minimum of four DSA board members. Dalcroze board members with certificates and above levels will be considered. Outside board members will be considered as well. Please read the revised guidelines:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1W8sNd2piyZv4cfwz4VW0Bzj9UXn5Aj2eULRzUPcwkts/edit>
- The phrase “DSA-accredited Dalcroze T2 Programs” from the DSA scholarship guidelines will be applied next year because some institutions have not been accredited this year. The DSA will notify those institutions about the change in direction, especially regarding Stephen Moore and Julia Black’s program as well as Jack’s program.

ACTION: The president will notify the directors of institutions that are not accredited in Dalcroze T2 Programs about the change of direction of the scholarship guidelines. The president asked the board members to review the documents. The president and Alex will send email solicitations for online voting.

- **2017 DSA Self-Assessment:** The president summarized the results of the self-assessment.
 - Regarding communication: Trustees are not actively using Slack.
 - Regarding board engagement: A luncheon board meeting on Friday during the conference: The president suggested that we hold a mini-board retreat the day before the national conference. Members were in favor of the idea.
 - Regarding motivation: There was a discussion about whether waiving DSA Trustees’ conference tuition and registration fee would create an incentive for DSA Trustees to attend as well as assist the recruitment of new board members. The general feeling was that such incentives are not needed.

ACTION: The president suggested educating ourselves about using Slack. We will assess it in the next few weeks.

- **Website Redesign Task Force:** The president gave an overview of the Agile Sprint process. The vendor selection and the content development teams will conduct their first Agile Sprint next week.

ACTION: The president will contact each member to schedule a short meeting (15 min) to orient each team's members as to the tasks involved in their respective Sprints.

• **Conference:**

- National Conference 2018: The president discussed the possibility of offering Licentiates who are preparing to take Diplome training entrance exams the opportunity of teaching special advanced sessions and having them videotaped for feedback from Diplomates who are willing to provide this service.

• **2018 Symposium at Columbia University (not Teacher's College):**

- Michael Joviala and the president will be on the proposal review committee.

- A primary aim of the symposiums is increased indirect promotion of Dalcroze to generate more scholarly articles and thus raise visibility and prestige of Dalcroze Education in academia.

• **Publications and Outreach:**

- *Dalcroze Studies*: Michael and the president are working on a publication.

- The president, Michael, and Lauren are organizing the best photos from the last conference for placement on our website, and they plan to make some photos available for members who want to promote their regional workshops.

Motion to adjourn: Paula so moved, Jessica seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously without discussion.

Respectfully submitted by Eunjin Lee, DSA Secretary