

Board of Trustees Dalcroze Society of America Meeting Thursday, May 18, 2017, 9:30 p.m. (EST) sign in to Google Hangout Minutes (draft)

AGENDA

Topics	Decisions/Outcomes
Reconstituting the Board of Trustees	The president will survey the opinions of the board members.
Scholarship	The Committee will vote by next Wednesday, May 24. Mary will have the results by next Thursday, May 25.
Committees for Strategic Plans	We will revisit this topic at the next meeting.
Honoree for National Conference	The president will contact Stephen Moore about whether Julia can travel or whether there is another way of honoring her.

MINUTES

MOTION: The board approved the minutes of the general business meeting held on April 20, 2017. Anthony so moved; Paula seconded; The motion carried unanimously without discussion.

Attendance

Present: William Bauer, Anthony Molinaro, Mary Dobrea-Grindahl, Cassandra Eisenreich, Paula Zerkle,

Eunjin Lee

Excused: Michael Joviala, Jeremy Dittus, Jessica Schaeffer, Eiko Ishizuka

Administration Present: Alex Marthaler

• Reconstituting the Board of Trustees

- The president asked the board members to read his proposal and to get back to him: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DrIbfnHKR-TsY6iFzu7ItqelrJ-VRGimI_IWlCwen14/edit He proposed the inclusion of a new board of trustees with administrative and management skills and that can take on the role of executing the DSA's plans.
 - The board members engaged in discussion:

Some board members agreed that it could make more progress, but others expressed concern that it would be a major change in our culture and that it would take too long to reach consensus. It was agreed that the time constraints of each board member were the biggest problem and that we needed new board members who could take a proactive role.

Action: The president will survey the opinions of the board members.

Old Business

• Committees for Strategic Plans:

- The board agreed that we need to prioritize the strategic plans. The president asked whether each board member can take charge of one strategic plan area and whether each committee chair can recruit his or her own volunteers, who would then be future board members. The board was in favor of this idea.

Action: We will revisit this topic at the next meeting.

• Executive Director Search

- The president is working on the job description.

• Scholarship Committee

- Mary formed the committee, which includes Jeremy Dittus, Eiko Ishizuka, Cynthia Lilley, Ruth Alperson, Monica Dale and Steve Neely.

Action: The Committee will vote by next Wednesday. Mary will have the results by next Thursday.

• Carnegie Mellon:

- The president and Anthony reported on a missing check. Carnegie Mellon had a scholarship student, but they misplaced the check from the DSA, so the scholarship student ended up paying the full tuition. The DSA will reimburse the amount of the check.

• Alex's Report:

1) DSA Database Request Form: We had two requests from non-board members requesting the database.

We do not rent the digital database. We offered the printed address label of our members to Carnegie Mellon in the past months.

2) DSA Invoice Template:

The invoice template for the address label for Carnegie Mellon was made by Alex and reviewed by the board. The board members were in favor of it.

3) Group-Exemption Application:

This is an action for extending tax exemption status to local chapters. A few chapters are working on it, and the president will encourage other chapters to join. It will take a few weeks.

• Publications Report:

- We need to find a managing editor for *Dalcroze Connections*. The president is hoping to receive recommendations for the position.

National Conference and Regional Workshop

- 1) The Slippery Rock Workshop will take place on September 15.
- 2) National Conference
- i) Honoree: We have three candidates: Annabelle Joseph, Lisa Parker, and Julia Black.

It was suggested that the award be given to Annabelle during the Slippery Rock workshop and to Lisa Parker at LA conference.

Action: The president will contact Stephen Moore about whether Julia can travel or whether there is another way of honoring her.

Web Redesign

- The new rollout date is October 1, 2017, and June 5–9 is suggested as the prospected dates for Agile Sprint.

• Dalcroze Leadership Initiative Folder

- Colburn School asked for a day workshop prior to the National Conference.
- The president proposed that a roster of available Dalcroze educators be made, which could then be marketed to academia.
- It was suggested that this be included in our new website.

• Sharing Google Docs

Action: Alex will organize the list of people who can share documents.

Motion to adjourn: Mary so moved, Cassandra seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Eunjin Lee, DSA Secretary