

## WESTERN STAR DANCERS

General Meeting

October 23, 2014

Steve Scott, Administrator, called the meeting to order at 8:15 pm. Other Board of Directors members present were Bob Brundage, Louis Dorsey, and Italo Regoli. Tony Procter-Lambe, appointed Secretary, recorded the minutes of the meeting. There were a total of 17 WSD members in attendance.

Following a membership renewal drive the current WSD membership is 47. In March, 2014, a small Mainstream class graduated. We offered an All-Position-Dance format for floor-level dancing from April through August. Using social media (KPOO radio and a Meetup Group: Intro to Square Dance) to advertise, we started a new Mainstream class in September; there are currently six (6) registered dancers in this class (Rich Reel, caller). WSD has co-sponsored with Foggy City Dancers (FCD) four (4) dances to date with a final co-sponsored dance in 2014 scheduled on November 8<sup>th</sup>. WSD sponsored the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Circulate SF event on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Bob Brundage, Treasurer, submitted his report. He noted that the Board requested and received \$1000 from Bay Pearls, Inc., the organization overseeing the disbursement of profits from the 2013 Weave Your Heart in SF convention. Currently WSD has a balance of \$8700 in CDs and the club's checking account.

No one has expressed interest in running for the 2015 Board for WSD; therefore, the Election was cancelled. The term of the current Board expires as of 12/31/14. The 2014 Board has voted to honor Rich Reel's contract as the caller for the Mainstream class and to continue rental of the Harvey Milk Recreation Center (HMRC) Dance Studio on Thursdays, 7-9 pm, through the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2015, at which time the class will end. Additionally, the Board has voted to renew WSD dancers' insurance for 2015, as this is a requirement of the HMRC. The Board withdrew all commitments to co-sponsor dances in 2015 with FCD. The Board made no commitment to renting the space at HMRC for purposes of dancing or future classes after the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2015.

There was an open discussion of options for WSD in 2015, including merger with FCD and dissolution of the club. It was generally agreed that dissolution of WSD was the more expedient option. Upon dissolution, the assets of WSD after final expenses, as determined by the Board, per WSD By-Laws, shall be distributed by the Board to organizations which may qualify for charitable deductions for income tax purposes. The membership suggested the All Join Hands Foundation of the IAGSDC and FCD. Steve Huggins, President of FCD, agreed to discuss with the FCD Board whether to assume financial responsibility for the HMRC for Thursday night dancing or classes with Rich Reel as caller after the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2015. We agreed to schedule a follow-up to this General Meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 pm to hear the FCD proposal regarding Thursday night dancing at HMRC in 2015.

This General Meeting was adjourned at 9 pm.

