March 2018 Meeting Minutes.

Present: Nancy Reindl, Sam Smith, Paul Somlo, Christa Torrens.

Duffy Boyle; Steve and Sharon Thomas Mark Berte.

* Minutes from the February meeting were approved. Sam needs to post them to the website (and catch up more generally).
* “Disruptive Dancer” issues.
  + Nancy has talked to Teri about the disruptive dancer issue a few months ago. Teri has addressed the issue, but word still needs to be spread to other dance coordinators. Nancy will do this.
* The “bring a friend free” program is now underway.
  + Do we want to track new dancers at the door?
* Dancer safety and etiquette issues.
  + Christa’s signs were approved by the board. We can put them up in the hall someplace—potentially near the front desk, on walls, or in bathrooms.
  + Who will ensure that the signs will be consistently posted?
  + We may want to take a similar approach to other signs, in rotation.
  + Sam and Christa to meet up to talk safety.

**The Big Enchilada: The Labor Day 2019 Dance Weekend Proposal**

Some issues that were discussed:

* This likely supplants a Fall “special weekend” analogous to what we’ve done before. That still leaves two special weekends during the 2019 year.
* What balance do we want to strike between attracting out-of-town dancers, and our own community. Many of our local dancers already don’t dance all three dances of a special weekend, even at the lower cost. It would be nice if we could offer partial registration, but the weekend finances need people to pay full price.
* How can we manage costs to make this weekend accessible? Sliding scale fees? Student discounts?
  + One proposal was to have dancers pay a certain amount up front, and then a subsequent cost based on the number of people who end up registering. This would be a lot more complex logistically.
* We would still need about 170-180 people to attend as a break-even.
* Paul proposed that we cut out the Monday element of the dance weekend. Duffy countered that the cost savings in doing so would be relatively minimal, and that dancing four days over Labor Day was one of the major selling points of the weekend.
* Duffy offered to underwrite any potential losses from the event, and suggests that other community members are prepared to make similar contributions.
* We voted (4 in favor, 1 abstention) to authorize CFOOTMAD to cover a loss of up to $3000.