

Times Squares Board of Directors Meeting

Date: August 12, 2019

Time: 6:42 pm

Location: Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT)

Board Members Present: Jim Babcock, Michael Coan, Jeff Eisner, Warren Livesley, Jonathan Uejio, Nadine Posner, Alan Teicher

Absent: None

Members/Guests Present: Gabriel Rivas, Susan Gill

Secretary's Report: The July 15, 2019 Secretary's Report was accepted with one correction. 7-0

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for July 2019 was accepted as presented 7-0.

C. Old Business:

1. **WNYC RadioLab.** Tracey, a producer at WNYC, attended one of our dances. After discussing the story they intend to tell about square dancing, the board decided not to participate in this project.
2. **Outreach Event at Congregation Beit Simchat Torah (CBST) September 10.** This Dance Party is advertised on CBST's website. There is also a link to our website. The admission for Times Squares members will be \$10. We will not advertise this event on MeetUp for Facebook, just on our weekly e-blast and calendar.
3. **Mainstream Blast Weekend.** Three dancers have signed up so far. Warren will contact Chuck Resnick to see if he is still interested in enrolling his son, Freddy.
4. **Peel the Pumpkin 2020 (PTP2020).** The board has confirmed that Betsy will not call for PTP 2020. Todd Felleggy, Mike Kellogg, and Howard Richman have been contracted to call.
5. **Brooklyn Pride.** Gabriel is in contact with the organizers of this event. They are interested in hosting a Dance Party before the next Pride March.

D. New Business

1. **7/16 Photo Review.** After reviewing the photographs taken on July 16, the board decided to hire the photographer to take another set of photos. This time we will set aside a specific time, ideally before or after a dance evening, to retake the photos in a more controlled environment.
2. **T-Shirts.** The producer of the t-shirts needs to contract out their future production. So the cost will rise from \$10 to \$15 after August 27th.

3. **Dance Schedule 2020.** The Boxer Day Dance will adhere to the traditional two-hour schedule, even though December 26th falls on a Saturday next year.
4. **E-Blast.** Beginning in September the first e-blast of the month will contain content articles and information for the whole month. The remaining e-blasts for the month will contain only reminders of that week's events. This will make the e-blasts easier to maintain and hopefully increase readership.
5. **Election Committee.** Lester Strong has agreed to chair the Election Committee for the upcoming election. There should be three people on the committee. Please contact Lester if you can help. The terms of Jeff Eisner, Jonathan Uejio, and Warren Livesley are up at the end of this year.
6. **Outreach.** The Stonewall 50 and Mets Outing were successful outreach events this month. More volunteers are needed to help with these efforts. Gabriel Rivas has agreed to be acting-chair of this effort until the end of the year, at which time he is moving away from New York City. A permanent chair will be needed then.
7. **Website Updates and Upgrade.** This item was tabled until our next meeting.
8. **Northern New Jersey Square Dance Association (NNJSDA).** Warren Livesley is stepping down as Times Squares' delegate to the NNJSDA. If someone is interested in taking on this position, please contact him.

E. Next Meetings

			October 7, 2019
			November 4, 2019
		September 9, 2019 (2 nd Monday)	December 2, 2019

Club members are reminded to contact Michael Coan when they plan to attend a meeting so that they can be cleared with security at FIT. Agenda items should be submitted by email to the secretary no later than 2 days before any board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Warren Livesley
August 13, 2019