

Swing Ann Arbor Open Meeting – Minutes October 30, 2006

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:05pm by Jesse Metcalf-Burton, President
- II. Board members present: Jesse Metcalf-Burton, Hester Graves, Laura Morris, Aaron Elkiss, Alex Mirkin, Jason Niesz; Community members present: Monique Rio, Dan Smouse
- III. Minutes of September 27 approved
- IV. Business Conducted:
 - A. Board Member Updates
 1. President
 - a. Swing Dance Night finalized for Thursday, November 30 (partnered with Arts & Programs)
 2. Vice-President
 - a. Carpool organizing given to Jason for primarily rides to E. Lansing
 - b. Will send Aaron and Laura membership list
 3. Finance
 - a. September 27 dance receipts were able to cover cost of band only
 - b. There is an extra room charge on SOAS account – will investigate
 - c. Still owe instructors for about 9 hours of lessons
 4. Events – not present
 5. Secretary
 - a. Still doing too much publicity work – will cut back and let Stephen take over
 - b. Will continue to post weekly emails for lessons and dance
 6. Volunteers
 - a. Three new volunteers applied
 - b. New sign-up sheet not available yet
 - c. Holly has agreed to take home equipment once per month
 - d. Schedule for November is finished
 7. Facilities – not present
 - a. Jesse reported that we are now advertised in the Michigan Daily
 - b. Abby is looking for office space in the Union
 - c. We should start scheduling spring/summer now if possible – Abby to check
 8. Music
 - a. DJ schedule complete for November
 - b. Daniel Fernandez will be playing piano for 20 minutes or so on November 8
 - c. Monique will begin apprenticeship with Hester for DJing
 9. Curriculum
 - a. Adam and Kelly expressed an interest in teaching and DJing – Jason to facilitate
 - b. Special Shim Sham lesson to be taught on December 20
 10. Publicity - not present
 11. Website - not present.
 - B. Exchange 2007 – Jesse will investigate Dtownstomp thread
 - C. Teacher training
 1. Need to establish a requirements list
 2. Pro-am pairings for training
 3. Current instructors will watch lessons carefully for appropriate candidates
 - D. Progressive Lessons
 1. Will begin in Winter semester – promotion should begin after Thanksgiving (coordinate with Publicity)
 2. Pre-registration will be required for monthly sessions and cost \$10/student, \$20/non
 3. No freebies will be allowed
 4. List of leads and follows to be kept
 5. Survey should be developed and taken over next few weeks
 - E. Dan Smouse suggested using the “Nite Club” for instructor and/or DJ training
 - F. Volunteer appreciation discussion tabled
 - G. Monique suggested having name tags available to those who would like to use them – all agreed
- V. Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.