

BIFD Board Meeting
Minutes
5/17/02, 6 pm

Present:

Old board: Debby Bowinski (pres), Kitty Angell (treas), Luiza Davis (sect'y), cash kid Amy.

New board: Debby Bowinski (pres), Ilana Bar-or (veep), Biz Hertzberg (sect'y). Skip Ellis (treas) was at a folk dance rehearsal, of all things.

Based on previous minutes, I'll have to learn to write personal and funny, a marked departure from my normal deadly academic style. Action items will be underlined.

Meeting venue. Debby thought I was joking when I said I objected to Wendy's. Advertising is ruining everyone's lives! Don't support excessive advertising! We tried to go to Noodles, but couldn't get a table for six, so we went back to Wendy's. Future meetings will be at the homes of real human beings. Friday evening before dancing seems like a good meeting time.

Board Transfer. Luiza gave me the secretary's book, which has minutes back to 1997. Isn't this organization more like 30 years old? Skip has the checkbook, but still has to get more treasurer's stuff (a file box) from Kitty. He needs to pay rent for the Pearl Street studio.

Spring Workshop. We actually made \$680 on the Yves Moreau workshop, primarily due to low venue cost. Suggestions for next years' teacher were tossed around:

Michael Ginsburg
Steve Kotansky
Tom Bozigian (armenian)
Wim Bekooy
Jaap Leapwater

Somebody Romanian, maybe from Balkan Camp (this years teachers are Yves, Michael and Steve). I asked John Chu to think about who. We should also solicit suggestions from the general membership.

Workshop and Party Space. We need to find affordable space for the New Year's Day party and the spring workshop. Apparently this is a perennial problem. For comparison, most Boulder spaces charge ~\$50/ hour, including the K-12 schools. We need a space at least as big as the Pearl Street Studio

for workshops, approximately 28 X 40 ft (the PSS is hard to get for the whole weekend), and a larger space for the New Year's Day party, (for around 150 people). Debby will forward the results of Donna's research from a year or two ago. Boulder Moves (has an unfortunate acronym) might be affordable, Debby will check? Ilana will check on space at the CU Rec Center. I will check on space in the CU Dance building with Bob Shannon, rooms 150 (Irey Theater) and 350. The Maple Grove Grange was pleasant, roomy, and inexpensive, but the septic just couldn't handle our output (and who's surprised about that?).

Website. We can get our own URL, but www.BIFD.org has been taken by the Bainbridge Island Fire Department. Alternates discussed were BoulderFolkDance.org (conflict with Tom's group?) or BoulderIntlFolkDance.org (too long). Best compromise seems to be BoulderIFD.org. I'll see what's available. Along with the URL will come generic email addresses, like President@BoulderIFD, and contact@BoulderIFD.

Mail: Debby suggested a PO box for BIFD, so we can have a stable address, regardless of who's on the board.

Other topics. We discussed spamming, how to handle telemarketers (get on the Colorado no-call list) and the heartening news that Israel is considering a nude news TV channel.

Not particularly respectfully submitted
-Biz