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**ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY**  
**Atlanta Branch, Inc.**  
***Minutes of the Committee of Management Meeting***  
***June 12, 2021***

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***Members Present:***

	Jessica Behmke		Walter Ligon	✓	Sylvia Priest
	Joe Bell	✓	Karen Ludwick	✓	Susan Tumlin
✓	Sarah Craighead		Deborah Millier	✓	Chris Wilson
✓	Nancy Kidd		Bob Messner		Yoshi Yukishige

***Call to Order:*** Chairman Chris Wilson called the meeting to order at 11:16 a.m.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the April 17, 2021 Board meeting were sent via email prior to this meeting for Board members to review. The minutes were approved.

**General Resumption of Dancing Discussion**

The Board had a discussion on the topics of whether or not to have dancing at the Stone Mountain Games and when/how to resume dancing. Points discussed included:

- Churches are not yet allowing in-person dancing.
- Some dancers who are vaccinated may be concerned about being around unvaccinated dancers.
- Consider using gloves to dance or using hand sanitizer between dances.
- Consider acquiring automatic dispensers of hand sanitizer.
- Get a touchless temperature gun to use for classes.
- Provide individual towelettes for dancers to use.
- Survey dancers anonymously to determine under what circumstances dancers want to resume dancing.
- Make use of outdoor pavilions once/twice a month to gradually resume dancing.
- Start with easier dances as dancers may not be in as good as shape as pre-pandemic.

**Stone Mountain Games Decisions**

The Board made the following decisions regarding the Stone Mountain Games:

- At start of July, send out notice to ask if dancers are planning to attend Stone Mountain dances and to ask them to save the date.
- Conduct a survey in August/September for input into Stone Mountain Games dancing.
- Ball Dancing
  - 2 nights of dancing – Friday night and Saturday night.
  - Both nights will be abbreviated (less dances).
  - Friday night dancing to include a review of dances for Saturday, easy dances, and Ceilidh dances.
  - Recommend/Encourage vaccination but do not require it.
  - Provide hand sanitizer to be used after each dance and have hand-washing breaks after every 3rd dance.
- Platform Dancing
  - Perform on Saturday and Sunday

- Do not allow audience participation due to Covid. Include in signage and put in bulletin.
- Do allow out-of-town RSCDS members in platform demonstrations.
- Dancing will be at scheduled times which will be posted. Suggested to start dancing at 11am, 1pm, and 3pm with each demonstration session being 45 minutes.
- Give history and demo dance steps between each set while next set is being organized.

### **Resumption of Dancing Decisions**

The Board made the following decisions regarding the resumption of dances:

- Conduct a graduated opening of dancing for current RSCDS members only during the summer
- Include a statement in Meetup indicating the graduated opening being members only and that at a date to be determined in the Fall, we will begin opening for new dancers.
- Suggestion was made to possibly move our Marietta Tuesday night class to another night, depending on church hours, as dancers may have conflicts with many other types of groups that meet on Tuesday nights.

### **Spring 2022 Workshop**

The Board reviewed the proposed Cartersville Hilton Garden Inn agreement for March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 2022. We need clarification on whether or not an “Act of God” includes the pandemic. Susan will meet with the sales contact to see if we can also negotiate the cancellation policy. If not, we need to specify only 20 rooms move evenly split between Doubles and Kings.

Susan & Lewis and Rick & Sarah are planning to host the musicians in their homes in order to save on lodging costs. Susan will contact the band and Tracey Applebee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

*Karen*

Karen Ludwick, Scribe