Cape Fear Ballroom Dancers Executive Board Meeting Minutes January 16, 2010

Present: Drew Ziegler, Sandra Peterson, Carol Conklin, Pat LeBeau, Janet King, Dave Miller, Hazel Hinton

The meeting began with the board unanimously agreeing that the January dance be considered a "grace" period for members who have not yet paid annual dues, and that any not paying by the February dance would be charged the guest admission price.

Minutes of the November meeting, and the annual membership meeting, were approved.

Pat presented the financial report for December, and Drew presented the yearly financial report, as well as reports on monthly dances and formals that showed our progress toward reaching our goal of "breaking even" annually, or at least remaining within our budget.

Due to a prior telephone vote taken by Drew, it was agreed to increase Sandra's DJ fee to \$120 per dance, and also grant Billy free admission to each dance, as he also performs some DJ duties. This is the first increase for Sandra, and was done strictly by the board, not by her request.

Drew welcomed Dave Miller to the meeting. Dave has agreed to be publicity chair, and asked that any members who have ideas concerning publicizing the club please share them with him.

The suggestion was made to have February's dance a "Bring a Guest" night. Invite a guest(s), and if they come, will be admitted free, as well as the member who invited them. This applies to first time guests only, who, hopefully, may be potential members. This suggestion was approved.

It was agreed to focus on enforcing the request on our reservation forms for formals that tables be reserved for only 8 per table, to help avoid complications in placement of tables and seating arrangements. Drew will announce this at tonight's dance and ask for everyone's cooperation.

A suggestion was made to implement a rule concerning response to news of a club member's death. It was agreed that a set amount of \$25.00 would be sent to the member's choice of charities. The secretary will be responsible for coordinating this effort.

Carol announced that Ann and Frank Bailey provided refreshments for tonight's dance, and that she needs volunteers for April and May. Drew will make this announcement also.

The possibility of having a masquerade themed dance was discussed and was tabled for now.

The meeting was adjourned --- Next meeting will be February 20, 2010.

Hazel Hinton Secretary