

Minutes Meeting
8-6-11

MEDAH Board Meeting – Saturday, August 6, 2011 at Ward’s Rafters, 3810 Maunaloa Ave. The meeting was called to order at 2:22 p.m. by President Masayo Loyd.

In Attendance – President Masayo Loyd, Vice President Natalie Phoenix, Secretary Renée Arnold, Members-at-Large Nikki Gomez, Shirlita Jones, Tammy Lee-Custodio.

Minutes – The minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer’s Report – There was no report due to the absence of the treasurer.

Old Business:

Midsummer Night’s Glean – July 16 – MEDAH performer, Jamie, said it was good, but it rained. Other performers were Naia & Naia’s troupe, Natalie’s students, Shimmy Sisters, Samantha, Kalae and her troupe. The Board will contact Kalae, the MC, for more details and report at the next meeting.

Greek Line Dancing Workshop – Aug 20, 11:30-2:30, Island Oasis; workshop 12-2; rental cost is \$25/ea hr; \$75 total; Parking \$5; Tammy made the flyer, high resolution, which can be used to make a poster. Masayo will make a poster for Tarek’s 3 restaurants, Island Oasis and 2 for other Greek restaurants. The flyer was sent by Lita to the Belly Dance Hawaii site on Yahoo, Facebook, Twitter, Honolulu Weekly, Midweek, Calendar Honolulu Weekly (online), and Honolulu Now (online). Jessica is to send an eblast and help Masayo make the posters.

September Hafla – Ward’s Rafters, Sept 24, with Island Oasis Ensemble and recorded music; 7:30-9:30; doors open 6:30 ; pupus ; byob; Board will put out a call for dancers ; Larry came for a few minutes and showed the Board how to use the sound system for the recorded music portion of the hafla. The Board spoke with Shadiya by phone about how to integrate recorded music with the band. We will get a list of the band’s songs, send the list in email for dancers to choose on a first come, first served basis; It was suggested that the band gives a history of each song before playing it; give deadline to respond!! Natalie will write directly to Kip, the band leader, at kipm@hawaii.rr.com, after hearing from the participants, and will cc Tara Severns, a member of the group. There will be a set of recorded music first; then a set of live music; The band needs 2 weeks, so dancers must send their choices by Sept. 10th; Each dancer picks 3 songs; MEDAH to split the door 50/50 with the band, after Jackie’s cut; There are 6 mike channels for the band with the Ward sound system.

October Event– This event is being changed from a visiting dancer workshop to a festival type event, due to a lack of visiting dancer after Michael Azure failed to respond. The Board discussed several venues. Masayo brought info Mark's garage - \$225 for 3 hrs; \$425 after 6 hours; \$600 up to 9 hrs.; \$750 up to 12 hrs. Is there a discount for nonprofit organizations? Other venues: St Louis Alumni Center, 955-6618 or 949-8020 ; Leeward for a large stage show – contact Tara Severns and ask about non-profit rates; McCoy Pavillon – City & County Parks & Recreation, 592-2288; Ask about projector, or just a dvd player or screen, sink (?), microwave, bringing own food from Costco. Dorothy Wheeler will bring some dishes to sample; Tammy will help Dorothy make a recipe book to possibly be sold online or at MEDAH events; There will be a fashion show of Dorothy's costume collection. Eight models will be needed. Dorothy will cook 4 or 5 dishes, email the recipes to the Board/Tammy, submit commentary on each dish.

Website - Board will look at the website to see if we can give Jessica some help. Deferred to future meeting. Perhaps after the last hafla, we can work on the website and the youtube page. Jessica told the Board by phone at the meeting that she was working on the Z and had received and will include some photos from Bob McKeand.

Adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

The next meeting will be on September 3 at 2 p.m. at Ward's Rafters.

Respectfully submitted by

Renée Arnold
MEDAH secretary