

Minutes of Meeting
July 13, 2013

MEDAH Board Meeting – Saturday, July 13, 2013, at Ward’s Rafters, 3810 Maunaloa Ave. The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by President Natalie Phoenix.

In Attendance – President Natalie Phoenix, Secretary Renée Arnold, Treasurer Dorothy Wheeler, and Member-at-Large Trish Drennan (by phone).

Minutes of Meeting – May minutes were approved as submitted. There was no meeting in June.

Treasurer’s Report – The report was read by Treasurer Dorothy Wheeler. The current balance was \$3535.60 but the bank reports a balance of \$2924.09, leaving a discrepancy of \$611.51. On May 16, there was a difference between the bank balance and our treasurer’s balance of \$38.49. During the meeting the Board became aware of a payment of \$200, check #1861, dated May 30, 2013, to Fresh Café, and of a debit charge of \$11.51 to Safeway. This decreased the discrepancy to \$400. Dorothy will review the check register and bank statements again. Yahoo was paid \$119.40 on June 8, for hosting the MEDAH website. The annual state tax of \$2.50 was paid. On June 4, 2013, MEDAH received the stipend of \$200 for participation in the KCC International Festival in March.

Old Business:

Midsummer Night’s Gleam – Natalie will be able to attend after all, so she will be the MC. She will contact DeeDee Valencia, who had agreed to do it, and let her know. This year, for the first time, MEDAH may receive a small stipend for participation. There was discussion about giving part of the money to the band. However, money cannot go to pay members. More discussion is needed. There was a request from a non-member to include a samba performance in the MEDAH time slot. The lineup is already full, and samba costumes are very revealing and not appropriate for this family-oriented event. Natalie will contact the dancer to let her know the Board’s decision not to include samba.

PayPal – Discussion of the creation of a spreadsheet is deferred until the return of Anna, who was absent at this meeting.

Elk’s Club Venue – Discussion of having meetings is deferred until the return of Anna who is a member of the club.

Advertising for new teachers – Discussion of ways to promote MEDAH to new teachers is deferred to another meeting when more Board Members are present.

Reference List of belly dance resources – Discussion is deferred.

MEDAH Trip to Middle East – Deferred.

Visiting Dancer – Deferred.

Fundraiser – The annual fundraiser to be set for Sept 14 or 21 at Lemon Grass Café depending on availability of the venue. Deferred to the next meeting.

New Business:

Greek Line Dance Workshop & Hafla - The Greek Festival was canceled due to renovations at McCoy Pavilion. The Board decided to cancel the Greek Line Dance Workshop, but to go ahead with the hafla. It will be at Loading Zone on Saturday, August 17, 2013; doors open 6:00 p.m.; show 7:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m.; Dorothy may cook Greek food if time permits; otherwise MEDAH will provide pupus.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m. The next meeting will be at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 4, at Ward’s Rafters.

Respectfully submitted by

Renée Arnold
MEDAH Secretary