

Minutes of Meeting
May 11, 2013

MEDAH Board Meeting – Saturday, May 11, 2013, at Ward’s Rafters, 3810 Maunaloa Ave. The meeting was called to order at 2:22 p.m. by President Natalie Phoenix.

In Attendance – President Natalie Phoenix, Vice President Anna Han, Secretary Renée Arnold, Member-at-Large Trish Drennan.

Minutes of Meeting – April minutes were approved with corrections.

Treasurer’s Report – The report was deferred to the next meeting due to the absence of Treasurer Dorothy Wheeler.

Old business:

Student Recital – the recital is set for May 25, at Fresh Café, 831 Queen St. Natalie contacted Fresh Café after the last meeting and emailed the board with the details on April 27. We received confirmation, also after the April meeting, that a rummage sale will be allowed at the Fresh Café. Only MEDAH members can sell items. They should bring their own table and have items labeled. There may be tables available. Lita will be asked to send another eblast reminder about the rummage sale and to remind members there will be food and alcohol for purchase. Doors open at 7:00; show 7:30-10:00.

Foster Garden Midsummer Night’s Gleam - Renee will follow up with Joyce to confirm MEDAH’s participation and time slot of 4:30 – 5:30. Lita should send an eblast right after the Student Recital, on May 26.

PayPal - Deferred to return of Dorothy. Anna will meet with her to help create a spreadsheet.

Elk’s Club Venue – The Board revisited the idea of having events at the Elk’s club since Vice President Anna Han is a member. The Board considered having meeting there so that we may tour the facilities in order to make a more informed judgment.

New Business:

Advertising for new teachers – The board discussed ways to promote MEDAH to new teachers. We need to advertise that the board is inclusive of all styles. Natalie suggested emailing new teachers inviting them to join MEDAH.

Reference List of belly dance resources to share - There was discussion of posting local resources as well as links to other useful websites on the MEDAH website. Some topics were seamstresses, costume-making advice, costume shopping, etc.

MEDAH trip to Middle East – There was discussion of a future plan to go to the Middle East. Deferred to the next meeting.

Visiting Dancer - There was discussion about the next visiting dancer to bring to Hawaii. More discussion will follow.

Fundraiser – The annual fundraiser will be set for Sept 14 or 21, depending on availability of a venue. Natalie will contact Lemon Grass Café.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:14 p.m. There will not be a meeting in June due to the absence of several Board members. The next meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 13, 2013, at Ward's Rafters.

Respectfully submitted by

Renée Arnold
MEDAH Secretary