

IAGSDC

General Membership Meeting

Seattle, WA

July 7, 2018

- Ed Zeigler called the meeting to order at 10:22am. Motion by Rick Hawes and second by Marek White to accept the general minutes from the Palm Springs 2017 meeting. The general membership approved the minutes
- Treasurer report: The 2019 budget was approved by the delegates with a balance as of 12-31-17 \$55,043.98.
- Membership is 48 Full Clubs, 1 Associate, and 11 Affiliates. Total members 1,936. Total dues received for 2017 was \$2,231 (includes full members and affiliates).
- Reported that IAGSDC will pursue 501c6 status instead of 501c3. The 501c6 status is pending at this time.
- Club Development: We lost two clubs this past year, Cotton Pickin' Squares and Knot So Squares. However, Spokane, WA is looking to start a new gay square dance club in their area.
- Recruitment and Retention sessions were implemented during this convention. IAGSDC will move forward in continuing these sessions at future conventions with the assistance of a consultant.
- With the assistance of AJH the IAGSDC approved 4 club development funds totaling \$3,200.
- Palm Springs gave a final report with a total of 825 attendees and a profit of \$12,900. They paid IAGSDC the license fee and donations to future conventions. They also paid AJH back the funds for the new dancer program.
- New website has been live since July 2017. New updates and changes are being made so visit the website often. Fred Loehr working to get merchandise set up on the website for your events. Hopefully this will become reality soon.

- Presentations made by ARTS, AJH, AJH Canada, Wiki Archive and Digitize project, Callers School, and GCA.
- New banners were revealed to the membership. We have six banners. Ed thanked Andy Shore for his generous donation for the banners.
- Future conventions presented from, Philadelphia, PA (2019), and Denver, CO (2020), Houston, TX was approved by delegates for 2021 and approved Minneapolis, MN for 2022. Expression of interest for 2023 were made by Portland, OR and Durham, NC. There was no expression of interest for 2024 and beyond.
- Election of officers: Chair, Ed Zeigler, and Treasurer, Justin Crawshaw-Lopton.
- Adjourned meeting at 10:32am.