



**MINUTES FOR JUNE MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**June 2, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

David Rodgers called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

**Location:** David Rodgers' home  
**Present:** David Rodgers, Fran Mong, Hilda Clemann, Linda Coffeen, Marcia Conway, Russ White, Pamela Alfano, Tom Brett, Nancy Roop and guest Larry Boyer  
**Absent:** None

**PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

**Discussion of "Procedures relative to the nomination and election of NVSC officers and directors – A review of Resolution 2007-01"**

Larry Boyer asked that he attend this meeting of the NVSC Board to recommend suggested changes to Resolution 2007-01 which was approved by the NVSC Board at the April Board meeting. .

Larry requested that everyone consider the 4 points regarding negative campaigning on the paper that he provided the Board at the May Board meeting.

Marcia requested an explanation of negative campaigning.

Hilda said that she thought if we said positive campaigning is encouraged and negative campaign is discouraged that that would be sufficient.

There was more discussion and David said the vote would be taken up under New Business. A change to Resolution 2007-01 will be considered an amendment.

## Capital Shag Classic Committee Report

The following information was submitted by email from the Capital Shag Classic Co-Chairs:

**Decorating:** Volunteers are in place and all decorations have been purchased.

**Food:** Fran Mong and Linda have been going over the details. Food and alcohol still need to be purchased. Fran and her volunteers will set up the food on Friday afternoon and the snacks for the Saturday free pour.

**Entertainment:** Janis Grimes - major entertainment has been booked since January. Sam West will teach 45 minute private lessons which must be coordinated with Janis.

**Registration:** Hilda Clemann – volunteers are being signed up.

**Vendors:** At this time we have six vendors. Linda had a couple of surprise calls from vendors wanting to participate. There are now 7 vendors and Linda is turning vendors away.

**50/50 and club logos:** Marcia Conway - needs to purchase shirts, hats, and this would be a great opportunity to sell the "Shagging In The Carolinas", if we have some on hand.

**Silent Auctions:** Ruth Rapson and Robbi Mann are in charge.

**Raffle Tickets for a free Classic ticket and hotel room:** Charlotte and Linda are selling tickets now at Rene's on Wednesday nights.

**Photographer:** Tom Brett and club members.

**Pool Party:** Pamela Alfano – needs to turn in a list of volunteers and the alcohol list.

**Alcohol:** Tom Brett - alcohol lists should be given to Linda Coffeen or Charlotte Ashby no later than June thirteenth.

### Discussion by the Board:

The Holiday Inn in Alexandria, where the club dance floor is stored has changed management and there is concern that they may do something with the dance floor and logo boards that are stored there. Larry is going to check on that for the club since he lives close by.

Larry handed out two charts displaying a comparison of the 2006 and 2007 expenses for the Classic. There was considerable discussion about the information that was displayed on the charts.

Larry stated that it is too expensive to have 2 bars and there should only be 1 bar. He reported that there are 46 tickets sold at this time and that is more than were sold at this time last year.

David stated that the Board needs to know what the contract commitment for the Club is with the hotel. Also, the Board needs to approve the proposed budget for the Classic. Larry replied that the only thing would be the food guarantee. We have about \$2000 from ticket sales now. The guarantee required is \$4000.

Larry said that there is no charge for the hospitality room which has a hardwood floor and the ballroom only costs \$150 per night. David asked if we need an extra room for Sam to teach private lessons. Larry said we can do private lessons in the hospitality room when the free pour is not going on.

Larry said that since there are already 46 rooms reserved that he bumped the rooms to be held for the Club up to 70.

Linda said that the registration table must be manned until at least 10 PM and the people on duty must be watchful to keep people from slipping in without paying.

David asked if there anything else we need to know about and said that everything is looking very good.

### **Minutes of the May, 2007 Board Meeting:**

The Minutes of the May, 2007 Board meeting were reviewed, changed and approved.

**Motion to accept:** Marcia  
**Seconded:** Pamela  
**In favor:** Unanimous

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

	<b>Month: May (thru 23<sup>rd</sup>)</b>	<b>Month:</b>
Regular Account	\$6290.37	
Junior Account	164.57	
Special Events	1990.27	
Charity Account	187.24	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8632.45</b>	

**Motion to accept:** Fran  
**Seconded:** Linda

**In favor:** Unanimous

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Dance Committee:** Cathy Metcalf, Chair; David Rodgers, Liaison

The following information was submitted to David by email from Cathy Metcalf:

Dance instructors are doing a great job of keeping 3 classes (6 instructors) going every week with the exception of SOS week. The Dance Committee's instructional video continues to sell.

The noise level at Rene's during the classes often makes it very difficult for the instructors to teach and difficult for the students to hear. We would like to ask that the Board assist in keeping it quieter at least on the level where the classes are taking place. Perhaps with the Board members and Dance instructors assisting in directing the socializers to the upper levels, it won't get so loud near the classes. Also, the Dance Committee would like to ask the DJ to remind those not taking the classes each week to try to keep their social time on the upper levels. We don't want to interfere with anyone having fun but we feel that both quieter classes and a great social hour can occur simultaneously. Cathy would also like to submit an article to the Shag Rag to serve as a reminder to the membership regarding the noise level during classes. The article would be as soft and friendly as possible, keeping in mind that this is a social club and we are all out to just have a good time whether taking classes or just visiting with old and new friends. This is an ongoing problem but hopefully a few reminders will help to make more of us cognizant of the problem.

### **Discussion:**

There was much discussion regarding how to best handle the noise during the lessons.

The concern is that people will have their feelings hurt if the situation is not handled with sensitivity. It was suggested that the Board members set the example and hopefully others will follow it. The last thing the Club should do is create an environment that would discourage old and new members from having fun.

**Social Committee:** Fran Mong, Chair

Fran has requested that Valerie advertise in Hello Shaggers that people can buy tickets at the Back to the Future party and that will also be discussed at the General Membership meeting on Wednesday night at Rene's.

David stated that at the Back to the Future party on Saturday it would be beneficial to have a location set up at the back of the room to sell the tickets that night so people will

have a specific destination and that would make it easier for them and the club members who will sell tickets that night.

Tom suggested that the microphone be moved during the General Membership meeting as close as possible to the center of the floor in order to get the attention of the people on the upper level. Perhaps the Club should purchase a cord for the microphone. Pamela is going to check with the DJs to see what can be done to get either a longer cord or a cordless mike.

David will ask Larry to make a call to the membership on Thursday or Friday as a reminder about the Back to the Future party and to tell them that they will be able to buy tickets at the door.

Pamela found out that we can have our fall SOS NVSC party at the OD Resort hotel. If we have it upstairs then we need to find out who is responsible for the DJ. As far as munchies and food Pamela will look into the cost; she is waiting to receive a copy of the menu. The person who takes the reservations for use of the ballroom is going to call Pamela about scheduling the room. Russ said that the drinks came out to \$4.00 each at the NVSC Spring SOS party at Fat Harold's.

**Charity Fundraising:** Marcia Conway, Chair

50/50 raffles brought in \$202 during May and Logo sales totaled \$40.

Before she ordered items to be sold at the Capital Shag Classic, Marcia passed around pictures of blinky glasses and showed samples of shirts for the club members to approve.

There was a donation to Capital Hospice of \$670 from John Olaya's birthday party. NVSC has now raised over \$20,000 for Capital Hospice for 2007.

At the Back to the Future Party, Kit and Sandy Farwell will sell 50/50 raffle tickets the first half of the evening and Nancy Roop is going to sell for the rest of the evening.

**Contributions to the Junior Fund:**

Linda stated that the Board needs to give money to the Juniors. Maybe have them write an essay so we can award them some money. Or maybe pay for things like dance shoes or travel costs to participate in competitions.

Marcia said that if the Board wants to give the Junior fund money the Board can consider transferring money from the Regular Account.

**Motion :** Fran made a motion that the proceeds of the 50/50 raffle ticket sales from the Back to the Future party be deposited into the Junior account.

**Second:** Hilda

**In Favor:** Unanimous

**Newsletter:** Valerie Swiger, Chair; Nancy Roop back-up

From Valerie by e-mail:

As of May 31 we have sold 25 tickets for the Capital Shag Classic. We have had a call from Mary Weldon in Philadelphia indicating that she expects their group will need 3 tables.

Raffle tickets have been prepared for the FREE Classic Ticket and room; these tickets were given to Charlotte last night.

July Shag Rag – the deadline for input for the July Shag Rag will be June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

On a positive note our mail rate has gone DOWN. New rates went into effect May 1<sup>st</sup>. The June issue was the cheapest to mail during 2007, because we only had 6 pages front and back and the cost of mailing went down.

**Membership:** Hilda Clemann, Chair

There are 323 members currently.

Hilda stated that the Club had been issuing membership cards and since they are not being used, it is a waste of money to continue to issue them. The consensus of the Board was to discontinue issuing the cards.

**Music:** Pamela Alfano, chair

The room for the DJ for the Back to the Future party has been booked at the Comfort Inn in Manassas.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Discussion of “Procedures relative to the nomination and election of NVSC officers and directors – A review of Resolution 2007-01”**

**Motion:** Linda made a motion to incorporate change number 4 and insert it in paragraph A of Section II.

**Second:** Tom

**In favor:** Linda and Tom

**Opposed:** Fran, Marcia, Hilda, Nancy and Pamela

**Abstained:** Russ

**Motion:** Hilda made a motion to incorporate change number 1 and insert it in paragraph A of Section II.

**Second:** Fran

**In Favor:** Hilda, Fran

**Opposed:** Russ, Nancy, Pamela and Marcia

**Abstained:** Linda, Tom

David asked if there was any more discussion or another motion on Resolution 2007-01. There was none.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **General Membership Meeting Agenda – June 6, 2007**

Call to Order

Treasurer's Report Shag-A-Thon/Capital Hospice Report

Thank Dewey Yen and John Olaya for their contribution to Capital Hospice

Promotion of Back to the Future Party – June 9

Promotion of the Capital Shag Classic – July 27-29

Any business matters from the general membership?

### **Reunion Picnic – August 11, 2007**

Decisions are needed about details to be put on the flyer and articles for Shag Rag and Hello Shaggers

### **Sunday Social – October 14, 2007**

An email has been sent to Dewey Yen asking him if Rene's is available for an afternoon Sunday Social on October 14<sup>th</sup>. A response has not yet been received. Assuming that we get a favorable response, does anyone know why October 14<sup>th</sup> would not be a good date? Everyone was in favor of that date.

### **2006 Audit Report**

The original 2006 audit report is in the process of being revised. Russ has provided Dennis and Valerie with additional information they did not have when the audit was conducted and they are working on a revised audit report.

### **A.C. S. C. Business Meeting for VA Shag Clubs on June 2, 2007**

The meeting was held in Richmond on June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 1:30-4:30 PM. About 25-30 attendees from the eight member clubs of A. C. S. C. and representatives of the Battlefield Boogie Club (Fredericksburg) attended the meeting. During the meeting a

good exchange of information took place about a wide range of topics. An article for the July Shag Rag will be written to give NVSC members feedback from the meeting.

### **Virginia State license plates for Shaggers**

Pamela will be the NVSC point of contact for this project. She does not have all of the information yet. Don Borja will work on the logo to go on the license plate; it could be shoes, jukebox or other picture related to shagging. Pamela thinks it will have to be submitted to the DMV, then Richmond and the State Legislature. Pamela will be talking with other VA clubs' point of contact regarding this project. When the Danville shag club tried to generate interest for these license plates 4 or 5 years ago they could not get enough applications to qualify for a customized shag license plate.

David said one of the design options being considered is a jukebox on the left side of the license plate and across the bottom "Shag Clubs of Virginia." We need at least 20% participation of each Virginia club in order to get the Shag license plate.

### **Additional new business topics:**

Pamela said she wanted to talk about our Club DJs having to pay for their own tickets for the Capital Shag Classic. She said the NVSC bylaws state that our primary objective is to promote the dance and the music. She also said she did not think it is fair to make the DJs pay to play. It would only cost the club about \$45 per DJ. The total cost would be about \$240 for 5 people.

**Motion:** Pamela made the motion that we give each of our club DJs a ticket to the Capital Shag Classic.

**Second:** Fran

**In favor:** Tom, Pamela, Nancy

**Opposed:** Fran, Marcia, Russ, Linda, David

**Abstained:** Hilda

Tom said that since we don't have and are not likely to find a better dance floor than the one at Rene's, we should make every effort to show our appreciation to Rene's management by supporting their establishment as much as possible. The bottom line is that NVSC cannot afford to lose Rene's.

David asked if there is any other discussion or announcements before the meeting is adjourned? There was none.



## ADJOURNMENT

David adjourned the meeting at 10:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Roop  
Secretary

**President:** David Rodgers  
**Vice President:** Marcia Conway  
**Treasurer:** Russ White  
**Secretary:** Nancy Roop  
**Directors:** Pamela Alfano  
Tom Brett  
Hilda Clemann  
Linda Coffeen  
Fran Mong

Attachment(s):  
Treasurer's report for the month of May (thru May 23<sup>rd</sup>)