

Independence Squares
Annual Membership Meeting
For year June 2021 - June 2022
June 7, 2022

This meeting was held via Zoom.

President's Report - Norma B.

I thought this year would be easy but it wasn't. Covid continued. I want to thank everyone who pitched in and supported me and the club. Please remember we are all volunteers and it takes a village.

Secretary's Report - Will H.

Motion

We accept the minutes of the last annual meeting.

Dick M. moved, Steve D. second, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Chris D.

We have had a slight loss at our dances and classes over the year. This is made up for by the Fly-in. This has been our pattern for over the last 10 years. There are currently 46 paid up members. Treasurer's Report was accepted unanimously.

Election of 2021-2022 Board of Directors - Dave B. - Judge of Elections

The election was opened at 7:15; everyone who had paid their membership dues by noon on Monday, June 6 was sent an automatic message at that time with instructions on voting via the ElectionBuddy.com system. Voting was open until 8:00 pm. This was the slate:

- President Elect – Drew Allen
- Secretary - Vinney Finlay
- MS/Plus co-rep - Coco & John Wiedmer-Symer
- Advanced/Challenge rep - Dave Tavani
- Communications Coordinator - Ron Rumble

As current President Elect, Steve Demos automatically becomes President after the election. The Treasurer is a two year term that Chris Deephouse continues to fill.

Announcements - Steve D

We need volunteers to staff a table at Upper Darby Pride on Saturday, June 11, 1pm to 5pm.

Fun Dance possibly in July.

August 13 the Joint Dance with DC Lambda Squares, Dayle Hodge calling.

Sunday September 11 Jersey Gay Pride in Cherry Hill. Noon to 6pm we have a booth.

Tuesday Classes resume on September 13.
Classes in Mainstream, Plus and Challenge 1 and a workshop for Advanced.

Return to Dance Committee Report - Ron

Thank you to the committee: Eumir B., Vinney F., Mike R., Eileen D., Bob & Mary Kay R. who guided us through this time without any reports of community spread. We also received support from Dr. Joe Iser. There have been many others who have supported the efforts including Tim H, Ted M, Chris D. the callers. and all the members who willingly complied with the protocols and came out and danced. It took a village.

Volunteer of the Year Award - Norma B.

The volunteer of the year was obvious to me. He had volunteered to be on the board, he volunteered to chair the Return to Dancing. He volunteered to co-chair the fly-in, to organize the Philly's ball game event and has agreed to run for the board as Publicity Chair. Thank you Ron R.

Election of 2021-2022 Board of Directors Results - David B. - Judge of Elections

At 8:03, Dave B. - reported:

- The whole slate was approved.
- The anonymous election system worked.

Incoming President Speech - Steve D.

I especially want to thank Norma B. who stepped up when we really needed her. She did an excellent job. Thank you Norma B.

Will H., Ted M. and Bob R., you were there when we needed you. I have so much affection for you guys. I hope to continue to work with you guys. Will, I hope you will continue on the recruitment committee. Ted M, you know so much about computers I hope you can continue to help us out there. Bob R., responded to our call and he has reached out to the Plus and Mainstream members; I hope you continue to come out and support us.

I am not announcing any big goals. I think you know what my strengths and weaknesses are. You can help me strengthen my weaknesses. Send me an individual email and I will respond within 24 hours. I will take your comments very seriously.

I will be away in January and February. We have just elected an incredible board and they will be able to help out on Tuesday nights. Tuesdays will continue smoothly.

Thanks for coming. I was glad to see everyone. I hope to see you all back to dancing soon.

Suggestion - Jed S., Cindy K. and Leda S.

The club has a large amount of money. We can afford to invest some of that money in activities that the club can appreciate and build membership and make things as much fun as possible for the year.

-Nice dance space may be one good use of some of that money.

-Dance over the summer.

Adjournment

Motion

Motion we adjourn. Steve D. moved, Bob R. second, passed unanimously.