



Board of Directors Meeting

June 27, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 P.M.

Present: Carol Baker, Elizabeth Cleveland, Elizabeth Cowan, Steve Hornbacher, Susan Johnson, Mary Kovar, Steve Weiss

Absent:

Secretary's Report

- The minutes from the March 28, 2010, meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

- The current balance reported is \$6,037.31.

Membership Report

- Current membership is 75.
- RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP! IYAMN members are encouraged to join online via IYNAUS, but the option to join through IYAMN is available. Go to www.iyamn.org to download a form and mail it in with a check or look for registration form soon at your local studio.

New Business

- IYAMN board member Carole Baker represented IYAMN at the group meeting held at the regional convention in Portland. The main point of discussion centered on IYNAUS's goal to build stronger regional associations with the intention that they send representatives to serve on the national board, akin to senators and congress.
- The board discussed different ways to promote and generate excitement for guest-teacher workshops. IYAMN has established wonderful relationships with excellent teachers offering a valuable level of study; the opportunity to study with these teachers should be emphasized and promoted more zealously. If members have any suggestions or ideas, please email iyamn@iyenaus.org.

Old Business (bold indicates updated information from previous minutes)

- Archive project: the board still needs to cull through old documents, papers, etc., to determine what should be saved. Once this is accomplished, the board will solicit member volunteers to form an archive committee to coordinate this project (determine what format to save materials, how to get it in that format, and then get in that format). If you are interested, please contact IYAMN.
- The scholarship idea was discussed in more detail with input from the attending association member at large. Scholarship should be based on merit and need, which are both difficult criteria to monitor and review. Other ideas were suggested but the board needs to further discuss all options. No final decisions were reached.
- **It will cost about \$300 to purchase and stock current Iyengar yoga books in the metro area libraries. DVDs were also mentioned as another resource for libraries. At this time the board will order and supply the books and DVDs. Later the board will investigate stocking county and regional libraries outside the metro area.**
- Guruji has granted permission to record the class offered via audio at the 90th birthday celebration in 2008. The board will make copies available for purchase; price and availability to be announced. Royalties from the sales will be sent to Guruji.
- One goal set for 2010 is that the board will create a balance sheet to track in detail the financial health of the association.



- Job descriptions and voting procedures were discussed in regard to what is defined in the bylaws. Job descriptions will be further defined and bylaws updated accordingly. Bylaws will be posted on the www.iyamn.org for all members to have access.

Education and Special Events Committee

- Join us for summer Yoga Day to celebrate Guru Purnima with Jeanne Barkey teaching a two-hour class at the BKS Iyengar Yoga Center in Minneapolis. See flyer for details. There are 17 registered so far, plenty of room for more!
- Mark your calendars for Winter Yoga Day on Sunday, December 12.
- Thank you to Laurie Blakeney and all the attendees for a wonderful April workshop! The association broke even financially. Since these events are the main source of revenue for IYAMN, the board discussed ways to improve attendance and in turn increase revenue.
- The next association-sponsored workshop with Mary Obendorfer and Eddy Marks from Sept 17–19, 2010. The flyer with details will be sent to members and area studios by mid-July; it promises to be a full weekend, taking full advantage of these wonderful senior teachers in our area.
- Mark your calendars for upcoming workshops with returning senior teachers Dean Lerner in Spring 2011 and Neeta Datta in Fall 2011. Plan early to experience the wealth of knowledge these amazing teachers have to offer!
- Looking further ahead to future workshops (beyond 2011), there was discussion about inviting teachers from India. The board will pursue more details on the best way to make this a reality.
- Look for the 2010 study group offers talks by Geeta Iyengar recorded at RIMYI; meetings take place at Embodied Health (2500 University Avenue West, #F5, Saint Paul) on the following remaining Sundays in 2010: August 15, October 10, November 21.
- Mark your calendars for the next IYNAUS regional conferences in Chicago from Sept 15-18, 2011. The conference is organized by the Iyengar Yoga Association of the Midwest; more details can be found at www.iyamw.org.
- All Iyengar Yoga events conducted by certified teachers who are current with their certification listings are eligible for inclusion in the Minnesota Association **Calendar of Events** on the IYAMN website. Please send your listing by email to iyamn@iynaus.org.

Next Board Meeting

Next Board meeting will be September 11, 2010, 1:00 p.m. at Dunn Bros on Lake Street.

Meeting adjourned at 2:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Cleveland.