

# Seattle Dances of Universal Peace Planning Meeting - 4/19/2017

**Location:** John's home

**Present:** Phil Murad, John, Brian (vfP), Helen (scribe), Martha (convener)

**Opening Dance:** Duhl Jalali Wali Krum

**Interim Committee:** no actions

**Announcements:** none

## **Treasurer:**

\$2778 in treasury, slowly decreasing bank account. Donations since late February have essentially covered costs. Deposit of \$1500 is on file at Camp Burton.

## **Camp Burton**

Microphones. John reviewed evaluations for comment about the microphones. Several people mentioned a need for better adjustments to sound system. An equal number made positive comments. John's impression is that we should go forward but with some adjustments. If we use mics this fall, Brian would like to rent a mini-mixer so adjustments can be made quickly. Better positioning of mics and having mic windscreens would also help. Martha could include our intention to fine-tune in her opening orientation talk, with requests to give Brian feedback. American Music did a good job of getting all supplies. We decide to go forward with using mics again this fall.

Dance Leader choice--no final decision, but short list of potential leaders has been developed.

## **2017 WDC matching scholarships.**

Our finances aren't as robust, so we felt reluctant to designate funds without a specific needy recipient. If a new younger dancer wants to go, we could revisit the idea of a scholarship. .

## **Dynamic View of Seattle DUP**

N'Shama presented the chart of various influences on attendance/energy which we had seen last month (insert link) to the Dance Leader team meeting. The leaders team had a general discussion about factors which could be in play and their respective importance. It's impossible to know the degree of impact of the various factors, or how they might change over time. What if each individual spent less energy on trying to make a significant contribution, and we each put more emphasis on truly enjoying ourselves?

You can view/download the chart at [http://seattledup.org/dance\\_circle\\_dynamics.htm](http://seattledup.org/dance_circle_dynamics.htm)

**Social Media:**

**Meet-up** costs \$15/month, \$90/6 months; renewal will be due in June. It also takes a small amount of Brian's time to update the calendar. Over seven years 10-12 folk have come at least once via Meet-up. 250 "members" are listed. Shoreline and Woodinville might also have gotten a dancer or two. Having the listing doesn't pay for itself financially, but the service of getting dances generally advertised might be worth it. Stopping Meet-up now and setting up again in the future would lose the members and cost Brian's time. We agree to renew six more months and re-evaluate.

**Facebook** is free. John keeps our page up. John also puts out special events on NextDoor. Are there other social media sites that would be useful?

**The website hosting fee** for our three domain names will come up this summer, at \$15/year each (\$45 total), with Bluehost. We may be able to get it cheaper if we renew for 3 years, since we definitely will want to keep our domain names. We will also need to renew the hosting site at about \$120 per year. Brian will bring a specific proposal to the next meeting.

**Next meeting:**

**Thursday May 25**, 6:00 potluck and 7:00 meeting

(because John and Helen are out of town mid-month.)

We may cancel if no timely agenda items arise.

**Location:** Bothell, Phil Murad and Helen's home

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