

# Derby City Bop Association

## General Membership Meeting January 15, 2009 – 7:00 PM

**Members present:** Larry Johnson, Bill Wallace, Nicholas Coleff, Jim Brown, Mike Hall, Marty Haydon, Gingy Wallace, and Beth Stenberg

**Minutes:** Minutes of the December 2008 meeting were not presented due to the absence of the Secretary, Tom Corder

**Treasurer's Report** –The December, 2008 bank reconciliation showing net income of \$4,440.03 and ending cash balance of \$18,460.58 and the 2009 budget (\$62,550 projected income and \$58,175 projected expenses) were properly approved (motion Hall; second Coleff). The 2008 dance analysis and bank account analysis for the past three years was presented.

**Newsletter:** Nicholas Coleff reported there are now 175 paper newsletters being sent versus ~~141~~ email newsletters.

**Membership:** Nicholas Coleff requested the following be accepted as new members bringing the total membership to 423: Sheryl Connelly, Charles Meadors, Sr., Steve Boehmar, Amy Spears, Terry Boddie, Carl Philpot, Glenda Graves, Thomas Williamson, Mike Stevens, Dick Miller, Alan Woodling, Janet Green, Teresa Leezer. All were properly approved (motion – Johnson; second Stenberg)

**Activity:** Mike Hall reported the first and second 2009 dances will be on February 14, 2009 and March 14 at Knights of Columbus. Mike is meeting with Woodford Reserve on January 24 to plan a dance on April 25. There were concerns voiced about the number of people that would be willing to travel for a 4 hour dance. It was suggested a brief survey be sent by email to ask some general questions about dances. Mike also reported the rent for Sycamore Clubhouse is now \$20.

**Music:** 3 CDs were purchased since the last meeting

**Old business:**

**New Business:** Nicholas Coleff was elected Newsletter Editor for 2009 (motion – Johnson; second – Stenberg)

The voting process was discussed at length and it was decided to propose bylaw changes at the next meeting to be voted on by the membership at a later meeting.

The board approved Bill Wallace reasonable expenses for the ABA meeting in Nashville in January. (motion – Stenberg; second – Hall)

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

**Pending Old Business:**

- **Inventory of music library (Jim Brown)**
- **Hall of Fame nominee**
- **Bylaw changes for Board Positions**

## BYLAW Change

At the January meeting of the new Board, we discussed changing the process of electing Board members. The election process has largely become symbolic. It is often difficult to find the required number of applicants to fill upcoming board vacancies. In the last couple of elections, the club has only been able to find enough applicants to fill the board vacancies. We have also had individuals convinced to run for a board position to subsequently resign shortly after taking office.

Since the balloting process is costly and has not been a guarantee Derby City Bop Association would acquire qualified and dedicated board members, the Board is proposing amending the bylaws to eliminate the balloting process in favor of establishing a nominating committee whose task will be to actively seek out qualified, dedicated candidates to serve on the Board. Candidates who agree to be considered would be required to attend the requisite number of board meetings prior to being voted on to the board at the regular business meeting in November.

A first draft of the Bylaw amendment is (the strikethroughs are the current reading, items being added are underscored):

#### IV. Nominations and Voting

A. The Derby City Bop Association establishes no later than June of each year an annual Nominating Committee which may consist of current board members as well as members at large. The duties of the Committee are to actively seek out qualified individuals with talents commensurate with managing the club. Ideally the Nominating Committee should attempt to seek more nominees than upcoming board vacancies to allow for the possibility individuals may be unable to serve at the time new officers take office.

~~Nominees must be a member in good standing for a period of six months and must have attended at least three board meetings during the previous twelve months prior to being nominated. Nominations will be made from the floor during the August general membership meeting each year. Nominee's names, pictures, and biographies will appear in the September newsletter.~~

B. Ballots will be mailed in October and counted the day of the November General Membership Meeting. No write-in nominations will be counted or accepted. Only members in good standing will be allowed to vote. Nominees are presented for consideration at the October business meeting. Nominees are officially voted upon at the November business meeting by those board members and regular members in attendance. Officer assignments will take place during the December business meeting to allow board members to assume their duties as of January 1st of the New Year.

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nominations  
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Jan. meeting attendees

1-15-09

- Mike Hull  
LARRY JOHNSON  
Bill Wallace  
Nicholas Coleff  
MARTY HAYDON  
Gungy Wallace  
Jim Brown  
Beth Stenberg



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