Palomar Smooth Dancers Meeting Minutes 10 June 2025

Attendees: 29

Call to Order: 7:09 pm. The pledge was led by Donna.

President's Report: Penny reported that the Social was well attended and that the dance classes are doing well.

Secretary's Report: M/S Fred/Mario that we approve the June Secretary's minutes. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Peter reported income for May was \$1,672 with \$1,557 of that coming from dance lessons. Expenses were \$2,544.08 but when \$7,787 in checks not cashed in a year were added back into our account, the net additional cash was \$5,242. Operating cash at the end of May was \$41,098. The cost for dance classes will increase next month but that will not be a problem for us.

Membership: Kelly presented the applications of Jeanie Nishime and Spence Bauer. **M/S Antonia/Letitia that we accept the membership applications of the candidates above. Approved.** This brings our membership to 96. New badges were presented to Melvin and Penny Galli, and Larry and Charlene Stanton. New member Brenda Madarat was also introduced to the group.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Penny reported the following birthdays for June: Miriam, Cathy, Bill and Ann and we sang. Letitia, who has visited with Tom Mauro, reported that he is in good spirits.

Queen's Report: Queen Debbie Atherton was not present to report.

Coronation 2025: Carol reported that the decorating committee was hard at work. Antonia reported that they are working on table settings, a photo booth, boutonnieres, and place cards. Chair covers are being considered. Those might be borrowed from Debbie Cadena and Lou Reyes. We will need a lot of volunteers. The next coronation is in Fresno on June 21st.

Convention: Although only 8 have registered for Golden Gate so far, 16 have signed up for the formation team. Early bird pricing ends June 12th.

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Dance Rules: Mark reported that at the next Convention they will discuss what constitutes a "costume" in the competitions.

Director's Report: Ann was not present to report.

Socials – Antonia reported in Ann's absence. She reminded everyone going to convention to register by June 12th and thanked everyone for their help with decorations and checking people in at the Socials. Geri volunteered to provide the decorations for the June Summer Solstice Social and will also check people in.

Website/Publicity: Kelly reported that the website is up to date. He is continuing to work with Grouper, and asked members to look up the club's dance lessons on Yelp and write a review to help with publicity.

Dance Classes: We are offering Beginning Waltz and Intermediate Cha Cha this month. In July, we will offer Beginning Rumba and and Intermediate Waltz. The Intermediate Cha Cha will be performed at the Social and the San Diego Chapter has been invited to perform it with us.

Old Business:

Thanking Convention Volunteers: Kelly reported that some of the 70 volunteers have said they would like to have a commemorative mug and 40 will be ordered.
 M/S Kelly/Peter that approximately \$400 be approved for ordering 40 mugs to reward convention volunteers. Approved.

New Business:

Investment of Club Funds: Peter reported that after the 2014 Convention, approximately \$20,000 of the club's funds were invested in a money market account at Chase earning minimal interest. Discussion was held over other options. M/S Carol/Donna that the club invest \$50,000 in an unrestricted Vanguard money market account currently earning 4.23%. Approved.

The Rockbox winner was Fred Deutsch.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm. The next meeting will be July 8th.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Jackson, Recording Secretary

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