



National Dance Teachers Association of America

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From the desk of the President

To all members of the National Dance Teachers Association,

I hope all is well with everybody and that you're handling the Covid 19 pandemic as well as you can. I know from experience that this pandemic has been extremely hard on our industry with the cancellations of dance competitions, workshops, and public dances. Even the National Dance Council of America cancelled its July meeting and will not meet again until January, 2021. Like me, you've probably experienced a sudden drop in income, and I hope that you were financially prepared to handle emergencies. I have money in savings for medical emergencies that turned out to be very helpful. Of course, the stimulus checks and unemployment has also been helpful for me.

Unfortunately, I also contracted the Covid 19 virus in mid March. I'm okay as it was a mild case and I was okay after a couple of weeks and have tested negative since. I hope that you didn't get it, or if you did, that you fared okay.

Our June meeting and workshops were postponed to July 26 for the time being, though it is possible with the increase in Covid cases popping up in south Florida that we may end up postponing it again. Please keep your eyes open for future emails concerning our next meeting.

At our next meeting, we will accept nominations for officers and board members for the election coming up later this year. Our officers and board members serve two year terms, so we need to re-elect or elect four officers (president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer) and up to 5 board members. There are several of us who have been serving on the board for a lot of years. We really could use some fresh blood. Officers and board members are expected to attend 3 meetings per year (a total of 6 meetings over the two year term) and can do so via phone (speaker phone) if you cannot physically be there.

Currently our board consists of myself as president, Jody Dancer as vice-president, Herb Vazquez as secretary, Mille Ledoux as treasurer, and Jean Claude Babiloni, Howard Marlow, and Susan Silva are board members. As you know our former president, Steve McGill, died in December, so I, as vice-president, stepped up to take over the reins. We need people to be willing to serve for the next two year term. I do *not* plan to run for president again as I've done so for so many years. Please respond to this message and let us know if you're willing to run and for what position this year.

I'm looking forward to the end of the pandemic and to resuming normal activities in the future. I hope to see more of you out and about soon.

Lee Fox

President/NDTA