

**Dance Drill Coaches Association
Fall Membership Meeting Agenda
Sunday, January 21, 1:00pm to 3:30pm
Wilsonville High School**

- **Welcome** – Danielle

- **Roll Call (5 minutes)** – Mackenzie

Attendance: Aloha, Astoria, Banks, Bend, Canby, Centennial, Century, Clackamas, Cleveland, Corvallis, David Douglas, Forest Grove, Gladstone, Grant, Grant Union, Gresham, LO, Lebanon, Lincoln, Marshfield, Milwaukie, Mountainside, Nelson, North Eugene, Parkrose, Philomath, Putnam, Reynolds, Sam Barlow, Scappoose, Sherwood, Silverton, South Albany, Sprague, Sunset, Thurston, Tigard, Tualatin, Valley Catholic, West Albany, West Linn, Westview, Wilsonville, Woodburn, Albany Gems, Dexter McCarty, Molalla Dance Company, Scappoose Jr., Synergy, West Linn MS, and Crossler

- **State 2024 (20 minutes)** – Missy Smith, OSAA

- State Championship Venue/Logistics
 - *Salem Pavilion*
 - *Planning for the limited space behind the scenes - this will not change*
 - *New parking company at the fairgrounds - \$10 per vehicle - will confirm*
 - *State registration opens January 31st, closes March 2nd at midnight - Reach out directly to Missy regarding registration.*
 - *Looking into an "intention" form similar to last year*
 - *Ticketing information will come from*
- National Anthem Singers/Floor sweepers
 - *If you have a dancer looking to audition to sing the National Anthem please reach out to Missy - video or voice memo. Two weeks prior to state competition.*
 - *Sign ups for teams to volunteer floor sweepers*
- State Star wall
 - *West Linn will do the stars! Thank you!*
- *State event help meeting will be coming from Missy.*
- *Load in/set up on Thursday night 5-7 PM*

- **Reports (1 hour):**

- JA Update – Ivana
 - *Really excited for the winter part of our season!*
 - *Fast track option to become qualified - 6 current judges on this path*
- Drill Down Reminders – Coral
 - *Certification will be offered after the meeting - Coral*
 - *Reminder to prioritize certifications every two years for your team.*
 - *8 participants for each team at state.*
- All State 2023 – Liisa
 - *Thank you for rescheduling!!*
 - *21 - 12 through 1-4A*
 - *35 - 24 through 5A*

- *55 - 36 through 6A*
 - *Rehearsal time will be similar at state!*
 - Open Board positions – all Board Members
 - Coach of the Year/Service Award Nominations – Elle
 - *Nomination form will be going out via band and email. New dropdowns!*
 - *If you were not qualified for nomination, your name will not be there*
 - Scholar Athlete – Ally
 - *Will be coming out soon via band or email.*
 - Scholarships 2024 – Danielle
 - *Dance scholarship - at least 1 per classification. The board will consider how many more awards to make based on the percentage of athletes that participated.*
 - *Academic and Diversity Excellence - closes January 28th at midnight*
 - *Currently 2 Diversity Excellence applications*
 - *Currently 4 Academic applications*
 - Spring Conference & Awards Banquet - Karalee
 - *Back to a real conference at Canby HS. Then a ballroom for our awards reception.*
 - *Registration form will come soon!*
 - *Please let us know what kind of classes you would like to see and participate in!*
 - Competition Reminders – Danielle
 - *Fire alarms or emergencies of some sort need to be taken seriously, please.*
 - *Coaches need to be communicating with parents/guardians when events are cash only, etc.*
- **Business (50 minutes):**
 - Approve Fall Membership Meeting Minutes (*Membership Vote*) – Mackenzie
 - *Liisa motion, Hayley second; 57 in favor, 0 against, 2 abstain*
 - Financials – Ally
 - *Checking \$19,626.74*
 - *Savings \$33,592.76*
 - *CD: \$50,077.65*
 - *Please pay on time! Please send PO's if the check request is in! Please try your best to put the "who" "what" "why"*
 - Penalty Value OSAA Update – James
 - *Penalty value proposal will be discussed at the OSAA executive board meeting on Feb 5th.*
 - State 2025 – Danielle
 - Three routines
 - *Would give the teams more opportunity to dance*
 - *Would make the state competition a longer event*
 - *Numbers would change and 1-4A teams could suffer*
 - *More opportunities to dance would allow divisions to grow - could prevent collapsing*
 - *Format change - start earlier? go longer?*

- *Transparency to help each other through the process*
- *Divisions would not have collapsed with one or two more performances*
- *Consider how to qualify - would we be able to change it to lower than 70?*
- *Based on proposal - two would need to qualify and one would be automatic*
- *Is the organization actually going to be transparent? We would need to commit*
- *What do the judges think?*
- *Efficiency at comps would need to continue.*
- *Dropping score to 65 would allow more teams to qualify and compete*
- *We have the data from last year - how many teams would have made it with a third routine?*
- *1-4A only has 9 teams - is there anything that the board/membership can do to support?*
- *OSAA will not move on direction to go S, M, L*
- *They do feel concerned bumping up to other divisions*
- *Would be a great opportunity to add a third routine for the teams*
- *Saving 1-4A teams - feels hopeless that they can't compete because the divisions would collapse*
- *When we go back to osaa, sliding scale for 3 for 1-4a, 4 for 5a, 5 for 6a?*
- *Football is able to do a smaller team in the 1-3a teams*
- *Six categories*
 - *Once OSAA takes away, it will most likely not come back*
 - *Could we break apart traditional to lyrical/contemporary and modern*
 - *Move forward with modern or a replacement of some sort*
 - *Game day?*
 - *How can kick stay?*
 - *Rotating category?*
- **Membership Announcements (10 minutes)**
 - *Band used as an announcement, transition discussion to chat - could be whole membership or head coaches, as needed. Private chat or email with direct questions to the board.*
 - *Peggy, BJ, Beth - Betsy and Peggy transitioning out of role of Thunderbird camp directors. BJ, Beth, and Michelle will move to directors of Thunderbird - not this year but the following year. TBird back to UofP this year! 7/7-10, 7/11-14. 6-8 game day routines will be incorporated. Bringing back master class! Seniors interested in interns. Pre-registration form on website. Day camp is coming back too. Price last year was \$325.*
 - *Dave here representing Portland Rose Festival - will be offering Thunderbird Rose Festival Dance Team. Director will be with the team the day before, day of, etc. Looking for 100 plus dancers. Coaches need to register kids. Hyatt will be the rose*

festival hotel again. If you have any connections (cheer, dance, etc.) that would like to join, they are welcome! June 7th is practice and the parade is June 8th.

- *JALT still needs judges! If you have connections please spread the word. The time commitment is much less. 18+, dance experience, high school experience.*

- **Reminders:**

- Connect with your Board Member to stay up to date on DDCA Events
- Follow the DDCA on social media:
 - @DDCAOfficial (Instagram & Twitter)
 - @or_judges (Instagram)
 - Dance and Drill Coaches Association of Oregon (Facebook)
 - Oregon Judges Affiliation – Dance & Drill (Facebook)
 - Join us on Band (HS Band, MS/Club Band, Judges Band)