

2023 National Past President's Report

The Past Presidents Council meet on zoom June 26 at 4:00PM. In attendance were Mimi Costa-White, Janette Brown, Jill Chase, Ann Freeman, Cindy Larsen and Dody Flynn. Butch Theisen, Phyllis Guy and Shely Pack-Manning could not attend.

We discussed the etiquette of attendees at last year's banquet and how to possibly fix it, which I passed along to Penny.

We also discussed re-naming the "Member of the Year Award" since the recipients are members who are dedicated and have gone above and beyond for more than a single year. Our thought is to call it the "Distinguished Member Award" but are still considering our options.

We also discussed who should hold onto the Past Presidents donations for flower arrangements that are sent for illness or death. A recommendation was to have one person be the treasurer instead of changing hands every 2 years. It was decided to keep it with tradition changing every 2 years with the new Past President.

The Past Presidents have decided to meet again in August and then 2 more times within the year via zoom, instead of just the one time before convention.

In closing we would like to thank the National Advisory Committee for keeping us in the loop by providing the Advisory Meeting minutes from their weekly conference calls.

We are very thankful for the hard work that Advisory continues to put into Dance Masters of America continuing to keep our prestigious successful organization moving forward.

Thank you, Dody Flynn