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# *The Missouri Federation of Square 'n Round Dance Clubs*

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## **Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. Clinton, Missouri – December 13, 1998**

**Place:** Presbyterian Church  
**Host:** Golden Valley Squares  
**Date:** December 13, 1998  
**Time:** 1:00 p.m.  
**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Mark Mortensen, President  
**Invocation:** Dean Osbourne  
**Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Mark Mortensen  
**Roll Call:**

### **Introduction of Guests:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Approved as mailed; motion by Jim Weber, seconded by Butch Nussbaum; motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dave & Barb Turner - Balance forward October 1, 1998 - \$995.18; Income October - \$10,468.09 (includes cashing \$2000 CD + \$49.48 interest); Expenses October -\$5,058.62; Income November - \$69.00; Expenses November - \$659.58; Ending Balance November 30, 1998 - \$5,814.07 + two CDs totaling \$7,000; Filed for audit.

## **Committee Reports**

**Boundaries & Relations:** Bob & Ruth Wheeler - One of three Mineral District clubs requested in writing to SE District President Dean Osbourne to join SE District. Until notification from remaining Mineral District clubs, committee cannot act on this request; Chair Ruth Wheeler released committee.

**Constitution & Bylaws:** Butch & Evelyn Nussbaum - Committee previously received request requiring dual names on checks; Request was withdrawn, no action needed; Chair thanked and released 1998 Committee.

**Membership:** Dave & Barb Turner - Total 1998 membership: Missouri, 5229; Arkansas, 50; Illinois, 50. 1999 data is forthcoming. Reminder: include number of club members when paying dues; forms are provided to district presidents.

**Promotions & License Plates:** Marvin & Bettyrae Fluke - 1998 license plate activity reviewed; designated as HB68 for 1999 presentation; promotions committee starting program, "Let's Toot Our Horn".

**Publications:** Doyle & Linda Collins - Committee proposed 5% advertising rate increase, with amounts rounded up to highest even number, effective with April issue of The Doin's; Chair thanked and released 1998 committee.

**Site Screening:** Butch & Evelyn Nussbaum - No Report.

**Blue Bird Account:** Don & Berneita Buck - No Report.

**Insurance:** Dixie Foraker - Balance forward July 31, 1998 - \$732.71; Income August - \$1.27; Income September - \$1.27; No Expenses Aug. or Sept.; Ending balance September 30, 1998-\$735.25; Income October - \$1.16; Income November -\$2,440.15; Expenses October - 405.37; Expenses November - \$2,364.71; Ending balance November 30, 1998 - \$406.48. 1998 Plan "A", 1418 members insured, 35 clubs; Plan "B", 3122 members insured, 71 clubs plus 5 minimum clubs. 1999 info to date: Plan "A", 279 members, 7 clubs insured; Plan :B:, 848 members, 21 clubs insured plus 1 minimum club. Rates for 1999: \$45.00 minimum per club; Plan "B", \$2.45 per member, Plan "A", \$1.10 per member.

**Historian:** John & Lois Bess - No Report.

## Doin's Report

**Editor:** Doyle & Linda Collins - No Report.

**Circulation:** Jim & Eloise Riley - Summary report 01/01/98 - 12/13/98: Balance forward \$3,289.54; Income \$8,194.38; Expenses \$9,691.61; Current assets \$1,792.30; Detailed summary provided.

**Advertising:** Bob & Loretta Welch - Balance forward 10/18/98 - \$100.00; Income November & December - \$988.04; No expenses; Disbursement to Missouri Federation - \$988.04; Ending balance - \$100.00.

## Unfinished Business

**1998 Festival:** Doyle & Linda Collins - Thanked committees and federation for successful event; total attendance of 1099; Festival income, \$24,260.86; Expenses, \$15,306.68; Estimated profit, \$8,954.18; Detailed report submitted. Festival committee activity book to be passed on to 1999 festival chair.

**1999 Festival:** Charles & Dorothy Ball - 40th Annual Festival, Jefferson City Middle School, October 15-16-17, approximate fee \$1,125 plus security and overtime \$310.00; Promotions: t-shirts, hats, pins, towels, and booster ribbons; Ramada Inn headquarters, flyer to list additional lodging. Recommended early room reservations. BMI: President Mortensen reminded BMI fee now due. Motion by Jim Weber, seconded by Bob Wheeler to pay \$100 fee; motion passed.

**Caller/Cuer 2002:** Doyle & Linda Collins - Ballots distributed, vote results: Jerry Junck, caller, \$850 plus lodging; Glenda & Tom Morgan, cuers, \$350.

**Nominating Committee:** Doyle & Linda Collins - Committee nominated: Butch & Evelyn Nussbaum, presidents; Marvin & Bettyrae Fluke, 1st vice presidents; Bill & Carol Morris, 2nd vice presidents; Dave & Barb Turner, 3rd vice presidents; Randy Pratt, secretary; Bob & Shirley Turner, Secretaries; No nominations from floor, Jim Weber moved nominees elected by acclamation, Dean Osbourne seconded, motion passed. Appreciation extended Bob & Ruth Wheeler, retiring officers.

## New Business

**Sales Tax:** David Marti, West Central District, made statement on sales tax affects on federation and districts; floor discussion; motion by Jim Weber that federation apply for sales tax exemption, Marion Anderson seconded, motion passed; New treasurer Bob Turner to pursue.

**USD A Survey Report:** Mark & RosaLee Mortensen - 85 survey responses, various ideas submitted; survey results sent to USDA; "Quick Start" idea already implemented by some clubs throughout the state.

**President Mortensen** thanked and released all 1998 committees, appointed 1999 audit committee: Doyle & Linda Collins, Marvin & Bettyrae Fluke, Randy Pratt; Gratitude extended all board members for their services; New officers presented.

## Calendar Of Events

**1999 Federation Meeting Dates:** February 21st, SE District; April 18th, St. Louis District; June 13th, NW District; August 15th, NE District; October 17th, West Central District; December 12th, Central District.

**Recognition of Hosts:** Thanks to Golden Valley Squares for hosting meeting; Next federation meeting will be held on October 18th following Doin's Dance hosted by Southwest District.

**Adjournment:** Motion for adjournment by Dean Osbourne, Bob Wheeler seconded, meeting adjourned 3:35 p.m.

Addendum:

**Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc.  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Steelville, Missouri – January 10, 1999**

Meeting was called to order by President Mark Nussbaum

President Nussbaum made reference to a letter he received from Jess and Peggy Kessinger, Southwest District Presidents, dated December 14, 1998. The letter strongly protested the appointment of Doyle Collins to the auditing committee for the treasurer's 1998 books. The protest asserted that, since Doyle Collins was the 1998 State Dance Festival Chairman, a conflict of interest existed because he would be auditing the books of the state dance over which he presided. Immediate Past President Mark Mortensen stood to provide a reply. Mark stated that, when he appointed Doyle to the audit committee, he made it clear that the committee was to audit treasurer's books only, and not the state dance books. Mark directed attention to the Federation Working Rules, dated February 1998 (Revised). He quoted Article V, para 3d: "The state dance chair shall turn all monies and receipts over to the state treasurer upon completion of the state dance and upon payment of all bills so derived. Money received from ticket sales and receipts for all monies spent shall be maintained so that the state treasurer can make a complete audit of state dance finances. The state treasurer shall report the results of this audit at the state board of directors' December meeting". Mark pointed out that the "treasurer should be auditing the state dance books and the audit committee should audit the treasurer's books only". Mark added that it was his opinion that no conflict of interest existed and that Doyle's appointment was totally ethical and correct. He would, however, withdraw Doyle's appointment if it were the collective desire of Doyle and the executive committee.

After considerable floor discussion, it was the consensus that, although there was not necessarily a clear-cut "conflict of interest", it would be better if Doyle stepped down from the committee.

Doyle rose and stated that he was offended that his integrity was called into question, and added that he would resign, the appointment if the president called on him to do so. Doyle moved that the president choose a CPA to audit the last three years' books; the motion was seconded by 1st Vice President Bettyrae Fluke; motion was approved by the executive committee unanimously, who applauded Doyle for his resolution to the "problem".

Bettyrae suggested that, since a copy of the Kessinger letter was disseminated to the entire board of directors, a copy of these minutes be sent to the entire board, as well. All agreed.