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(Subject to Board Approval)

Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. Lebanon, Missouri - October 22, 2000

Place: Kenneth E. Cowan Civic Center
Date: October 22, 2000
Host: Central District
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Call to order: President Bettyrae Fluke
Pledge of Allegiance: Marvin Fluke
Roll Call: 67 officers and representatives, 11 guests

Minutes read: Motion made by Jim Monroe to table minutes for rewriting and approval at next meeting. Seconded by Eloise Riley. Motion carried.

Introduction of Special Guests: Mark Mortensen introduced Allen Myers, Director of Parks & Rec. Dept. for Lebanon. Allen welcomed square & round dancers and expressed an appreciation for the financial and social awards the community of Lebanon received from the festival.

Treasurer's Report: Bob and Shirley Turner reported a balance August 1st \$1,017.96. Income and transfers for August \$3,214.23. Expense for August, \$3,622.10. Balance in checking August 31st, \$610.07. Income and transfers for September \$2,034.50. Expense for September \$1,214.37. Balance in checking September 30th \$1,030.20. Checking Acct. Designated Funds \$400.00. Balance in CDs \$17,000, plus interest. Report was approved and filed for audit.

Committee Reports

Boundary & Relations: Bill & Carol Morris Boundary Relations - The implementation of the USDA Square Dance Visa Credit Card Contest motion was taken from the table. A consensus vote was taken for the boundaries & relations committee to set up the contest.

Two new clubs in West Central were reported Hoot-N-Hollers of Harrisonville & the Holden-Ons of Holden.

Randy Boyles, North West, reported two new clubs coming into the federation. The Longview Twisters of Grandview and the Crosstrailers.

Constitution and Bylaws: Dave & Barb Turner - Deferred to later.

Membership: Bob & Shirley Turner - The reporting and payments for 2000 are complete. Reporting for 2001 has begun. The committee studied issues relating to active, in-active and honorary membership. No changes were recommended. The committee studied the problem of low attendance at state and district business meetings. Possible solutions may be: Reduce number meetings per year; use more central location for state meetings; have meetings on Saturday afternoon, instead of Sunday; door prizes could be furnished from the host club at the state expense; have a drawing for those with perfect attendance for the year at December meeting with tickets to state festival for the winners. These items will be considered at the next meeting.

Promotions Report: Dave Shafer - researched the State of Missouri calendar of events booklet. It appears to be an excellent way to promote square and round dancing. Motion from committee that Dave Shafer continue to work on implementation. Motion carried.

Motion was made to also list in Midwest Living calendar of events. Motion carried.

Dave stressed that square dancing needs to be visible, to identify & test new methods. He stated **Personal Contact Is Still The Most Reliable**. Due to the decline of active square dancers in Missouri and to make square dancing grow, all of the square dance clubs in Missouri regardless of affiliation must unite into one

cohesive team with a goal of growth. This is a fight. Recommendation of committee that The Missouri Federation of Square 'N' Round Dance Clubs, Inc. become more pro-active by appointing an Ad-hoc committee chaired by the membership chairman of the federation. The person who is to assume the membership chairmanship for the next year should be appointed as the vice chairman. Motion carried. President Bettyrae appointed membership chairmen to be Bob and Shirley Turner. The district presidents, as committee members, are to serve & meet to discuss ideas with Dave Shafer.

Promotions continued: Randy Pratt wants the changes and corrections for the tri-fold to be in his hands by December meeting. This includes contacts and officers for all areas. Updated tri-fold to be on the street December 31st for 2001. He encouraged clubs to apply for Let's Toot Our Horn. Three clubs have applied for award.

Site Screening: Bill & Carol Morris reported Cowan Civic Center has been accepted for 2001 dance. Report accepted by President Bettyrae.

Publications: Leland & Becky Browning reported bids were taken for publication of Doin's from Cass Co. Publishing Company of Harrisonville, Simpson Printing of Kirksville, and X Print of Butler. There were two no bids. Committee recommendation was, the Doin's be published by the current publisher through December 2003. Motion passed.

The committee recommended that with the board approval of the USDA square dancers credit card contest, the Doin's would provide 1 page in each issue that contest is in effect, for the explanation of rules or, whatever is needed by the sponsoring or controlling committee.

Insurance: Floyd and Carolyn Herren had gone to Silver Dollar City. Vicky Whitmer reported insurance packets have been mailed. No activity in August or September. Beginning and ending balance is \$433.11. Report approved, submitted for audit.

Insurance account audit report: Prepared by Paul and Joan Critcher, committee chair and Jim & Phyllis Monroe committee members was presented stating the committee found the insurance account ledger, with all receipts all in order. Report accepted.

Blue Bird: Don and Berneita Buck - reported selling 2 sets before last meeting and four more to date. One check for \$12.00 included a \$3.00 donation. Berenita presented a check to the federation for \$57.00, leaving a balance of zero in the account.

Historian: John and Lois Bess - No report was given. Please send pictures and articles to tell your club, district and state story.

State Fair Dance: Bob and Marian Anderson - No report.

Silver Dollar City Season Dancing: Joan and Paul Critcher, chairmen, sent report to President Bettyrae. They were commended for a job well done with the project. Statewide club and callers participation made the appearances successful. Seven couples made all the events. Don and Vi Tenant were there each and every time, in all kinds of weather, they were especially appreciated. An article for USDA prepared by Joan will be printed. Also those wishing to write a thank you note, the address is: Marti Schmidt, Spec. Events, Silver Dollar City, 399 Indian Point Road, Branson, Mo. 65616.

Doin's Report

Editor report: Bob Welch first of all congratulated Mark and Rosalee on a job well done. The Doin's Dance went well on renewals and subscriptions. He still is working on 1000 subscriptions by Jan. 1st 2001. Calendar event forms are available to be picked up.

Circulation: Charles and Dorthy Ball reported balance on hand 7/31/00 \$1,723.53, income August \$474.39, transfer to Mo. Fed. \$1,400.00. Total expense for August \$1,400.00. Balance August 31st. \$797.92. Sept. income \$240.00, balance Sept.30th \$1,037.92. Petty cash balance Aug. 31 \$12.30, expense Aug. -none, Sept. \$1.50, balance Sept. 30. \$10.80 Transfer of funds to Mo. Fed. Square 'N' Round Dancers, \$800.00 on 10/22/00. Report accepted, filed for audit.

Advertising: Dave and Dee Shafer Reported the beginning balance of \$100.00. September & October income \$589.00, Expenses for same period \$23.12 Transfer to Mo.Fed. Square N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. \$565.88, leaving a balance of \$100.00. Report filed for audit.

Unfinished Business

2000 State Festival: Mark and Rosalee Mortensen - Mark gave an excellent report on the success of the 2000 State Festival. A written report will be presented at the December 10th state meeting. Preliminary net income of \$17,685 was reported. Mark expressed the importance of a contract with the Cowan Civic center for future dances. He made the motion that a contract be negotiated with Cowan Civic Center for the year of 2001 and the next three consecutive years. Seconded by Doyle Collins. After extensive discussion the motion was ruled out of order because it was in violation of the constitution and bylaws.

Caller & Cues report 2004: Don and Berneita Buck - Berneita submitted cost for expenses for the caller and cues hall of fame and thanked Evelyn Nussbaum for presenting the award to Leroy Conrad, as a tribute to her late husband Butch. At last board meeting Dan Nordbye was chosen as caller for 2004 Festival. The cues entered a bid for \$600 to cue that dance. The board thought this a little high and asked the committee to contact more cues. Nine more were contacted, 4 responded, Tom and Glenda Morgan, who are calling for the 2002 & 2003 dance, said they'd love to call again for \$400. Adrian and Larry Nelson bid \$450-\$500 plus lodging, Pam Young not taking commitments at this time, Loren and Audrey Hillenbrand from Illinois bid \$200. Both are cues. Turned over to President Bettyrae. The body agreed to offer lodging, in addition to the \$200 bid and accept the Hillenbrands for the 2004 engagement.

Voting on Revised Standing Rules: Article IX, Section C to completion of article IX

The constitution and bylaws committee submitted two motions. The first was to combine the relations and promotions committees and the second was to combine the constitution and bylaws and boundaries Committee. Both failed. With minor wording changes Section C, D, E, F, G, H, and I were approved.

USDA Report: Jim & Edyth Weber: The USDA mid-year meeting is being hosted by the Plains Region in Branson, Mo. Jan. 26th & 27th. Plains Region Vice President Lyle and Jean Beck of Iowa have contacted Don Tennant to set up a special dance hosted by the Branson Shooting Stars. Additional information will be given at the Dec. meeting and in Jan. Doin's.

BMI/ASCAP contract: President Bettyrae deferred action until December board meeting.

New Business

Nominating Committee Report: Don & Berneita Buck - Don presented the 2001 slate of officers President - Bill and Carol Morris, 1st Vice President - Dave and Barb Turner, 2nd Vice President -Randy and Penny Pratt, 3rd Vice President Bob and Shirley Turner, Secretary - Jim and Phyllis Monroe, Treasurer - Jim and Eloise Riley. Nominations from floor will be open in Dec. meeting. Report accepted and filed.

2001 Committee Chair: Leland and Mary Moyer. Plans are in place to have Festival at Lebanon Oct. 19-21st, with Mark Turner Nat.'l caller and Paul and Linda Robinson cues. The committees are all set up and ready to go. Pre-registration & T-shirts are ready.

Calendar Of Events

Dave Shafer reminded - Valentine ads need to be in by Dec 28th.

Randy Boyles from the Northwest District issued an invitation to the next state meeting. Shooting Stars will have a dance the night before the meeting at the Kearney Elem. School. Flyers will be available soon. Date Dec. 9th-10th. Fishin' River Squares to be meeting host, same location.

Next **State meeting:** December 10th, 2000 Northwest District, Kearney, Missouri

Recognition of Host: Central District

Adjourned by President Bettyrae