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## **The Missouri Federation of Square 'n Round Dance Clubs** www.SquareDanceMissouri.com

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### **Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. Kearney, Missouri - April 22, 2001**

**Place:** Kearney Elementary School  
**Date:** April 22, 2001  
**Host:** Northwest District  
**Time:** 1:00 p.m.  
**Call To Order:** President Bill Morris  
**Invocation:** Millie Crabtree  
**Pledge of Allegiance:** Frances Casteel  
**Roll Call:** 25 officers, delegates and past presidents.

**Introduction of Guests:** Hugo - traveling dummy. Left Oklahoma in the Spring of 1999. He is awarded to the guest traveling the farthest distance. Bob & Shirley Turner earned Hugo by traveling the greatest distance to the Swangers dance.

**Approval Minutes:** February 18, 2001 meeting, Corrections noted - (1) The words "committee of should be removed from the Research & Funding committee report. (2) 2001 State Festival Report by Leland Moyer, the last sentence should have read "He (Leland Moyer) will never look at the state festival the same way again." (3) National Convention USDA Delegates -Marvin & Bettyrae Fluke are alternates and Dave & Barb Turner are delegates. (4) Last sentence should have read "Motion to adjourn ...", not agenda. Judy Epperson made the motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Motion seconded, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Beginning balance February 17, 2001 - \$12,556.46 (General Fund - \$12,106.46; Designated Funds (USDA) \$400.00; Memorial \$50.00.) Income 2/17 - 4/21/2001 - \$5,018.32. Expenses 2/17 - 4/21/2001 -\$3,410.71. Ending balance April 21, 2001 - \$14, 236.12 (SB&T - \$140.30; General Fund - \$13,645.82; Designated Funds (USDA) \$400.00; Memorial \$50.00.) SB&T is an outstanding account in Marble Hill Security Bank & Trust which is still open. Balance in CD's - \$17,000. Total funds available - \$31,236.12. Treasurer's report filed for audit.

## **Committee Reports**

**Boundaries & Relations - Dave & Barb Turner:** The B & R committee met with the Research and Funding committee prior to the meeting. Further report later in the agenda. Barb said that they had received a letter concerning the inequity of representation for districts. It was determined that the letter needed to come from the district, and to have the person have it resub-mitted by the district.

**Constitution & Bylaws - Bob & Shirley Turner:** Individual officers are continuing work on standing operating procedures.

**Membership - Jim & Eloise Riley:** Two new clubs in the NW District,

Missouri clubs 105, Arkansas 2, Illinois 1, with total membership of 3,561. Asked for additional committee members to meet with them in June and August.

**Site Screening - Dave & Barb Turner;** The Turners, Dave Marti, Annette Thornhill, and Jim Weber previewed four sites in the Northwest District, 3 in Liberty and 1 in St. Joseph, Missouri. The committee recommended deferred reporting until probably August when the school football schedules are available for consideration of high school facilities.

**Promotions - Mark Mortensen:** In the absence of Randy & Penny Pratt, Mark reported no Toot Your Horn applications. Randy asked Mark to inquire as to what the Federation would be willing to pay for a Web site. Randy had found price range from \$8.95 up to \$295. Delegates were in agreement that Randy should bring costs and exactly what is included in that cost to the meeting. Next meeting June 10, 2001.

**License Plate - Mark Mortensen:** Mark again asked square dancers to contact their congressperson about HB211 carrying the square dance license plate. The House is going to attach this bill to SB623.

**Publications - Jim & Phyllis Monroe:** Jim reported that the publications committee has negotiated the terms of a contract renewal with Cass County Printing effective through 12/31/2003. Provision included for increase of 9.3% in cost of getting an issue to post office for mailing. Postage is billed at actual cost and may be expected to go up as the postage rate increases. In the 2002 printing of National Square Dance Directory, the Doin's will be included in the Publications and the Missouri Federation in the Organizations section.

**Insurance - Floyd & Carolyn Herren:** Balance 2/1/01 - \$436.19. Income for February \$160.50; Expenses for February \$179.60. Income for March \$79.30; Expenses for March \$75.40. Ending Balance 3/31/01 -\$420.99. Enrollment in Plan A - 1,244 members - 32 clubs; Plan B - 2,527 members - 62 clubs insured + 5 minimum clubs (53 members).

**Blue Bird - Judy Epperson;** Judy proposed new Bluebird dress for the State, in addition to current state outfits. Discussion. Judy tabled her motion.

**Historian -** No report (absent).

**State Fair Dance -** No report (absent).

**Research & Funding - Marvin & Bettyrae Fluke:** As Bettyrae made her way to the front, Doyle Collins stood and asked to make a point of order as to the validity of the committee. After intense discussion, President Morris asked for a brief recess to confer with the executive committee. Meeting was called back to order. The president stated that the executive committee had unanimously agreed the appointment of Marvin & Bettyrae Fluke, immediate past president, as chair, with district presidents as committee members, and other past presidents as advisors was their understanding. The point of order was ruled out of order. Doyle objected, his objection was duly noted. The president called for the committee report by Bettyrae Fluke.

Bettyrae reported on the discussion held in conjunction with the B & R Committee. Roving Ambassadors - no action at this time for state level ambassadors. Districts are reporting positive response to the financial assistance for promotions.

Generic state guidelines or rules for implementing the requesting of funds: Money is used only for promotion and/or educational purposes to be determined by each district. Each district is to set up their own district guidelines/rules.

Reimbursement is at the rate of 50 cents/\$1 spent, not to exceed \$500 per district.

Districts have authority to dispense the money. Submit in writing with receipts to district.

State will send checks to districts three times a year, upon getting request and receipts from the district president. Promotion runs from February 18, 2001 to February 17, 2002 (1 year).

Doyle Collins asked the president to explain the exact purpose of this committee. The president stated the committee's purpose was to make recommendations on how the designated and memorial funds were to be distributed equitably to the districts for promotion and education. Doyle noted that the committee recommended spending more than the \$450. President Morris stated that the board had voted on this recommendation at the February meeting and approved the implementation.

Charles Ball made a motion to continue with committee reports. Motion seconded, carried.

## Doin's Report

**Editor - Bob & Loretta Welch:** All is well with the Doin's. Bob is still working on increasing the Doin's subscriptions to 1,000. Bob called on Berneita Buck. Her club, the Amigos, folded and the club voted to give the balance of their treasury, \$440.00, to the Doin's. Bob expressed his appreciation.

**Circulation - Charles Ball:** Balance on hand \$2,936.32. Income for February, \$1,788.58; Income for March, \$589.00. Transferred to Missouri Federation in February, \$2,900.00. Balance 3/31/01 - \$2,413.90. Balance in Petty Cash - \$42.52. Transfer to the Missouri Federation of \$2,000.00 today.

Doin's mailing for April was 897. Incorrect addresses cost the Doin's 60 cents to be returned, and an additional \$1.02 to re-mail to subscriber. Please send a change of address when you move.

**Advertising - Dave & Dee Shafer:** Balance on hand 2/18/2001 - \$100.00. Income for March and April, 2001 - \$460.00; Expenses \$65.50; Check to Missouri Federation for \$394.50. Balance on hand 4/22/01 - \$100.00.

## Unfinished Business

**Credit Card Contest Report - Carol Morris:** Carol reported preliminary report of 18 applications received at MBNA Bank. Details to be given upon receipt of quarterly report from MBNA. Only three report forms submitted. Southeast and Southwest tied and will split 43 free dance passes. Karen Sullivan, Southwest District, recruited the most applications sent, and will receive a Missouri T-shirt.

**2001 State Festival - Leland Mover;** District presidents are requested to get clubs to send in their registrations early. T-shirts are for sale, everyone needs one. He reminded everyone about selling or buying ads for the program book.

**2004 Caller/Cuer - Don & Berneita Buck:** Caller Dan Nordbye and cuers Loren & Audrey Hildebrand.

**Audit Committee - Mary Lee Brizendine;** The audit of the 2000 State Festival Treasurer's books were found to be in good order with all supporting documentation and appropriate amounts recorded clearly. Records were examined for the period October 17, 1999, to February 17, 2001.

**USDA Report - Jim & Edythe Weber;** This is the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of USDA. Education material packets were given to the district presidents as requested by the research & funding committee.

**Pins National Convention - Bill Morris:** Requested and received 150 lapel pins, state maps and books from state of Missouri for showcase. Tennant Enterprises have Missouri pins available to order, 50 cents each.

## New Business

**2005 Caller/Cuer - Marvin & Bettyrae Fluke:** The voting ballots were passed out. Bettyrae went over the list making a few corrections and deletions. Delegates were asked to vote for 5 callers and 5 cuers.

**State Festival Report - Annette Thornhill:** Annette had been approached about reimbursement or compensation to local callers that sound the call for wear and tear on their equipment, etc. Discussion. Motion by Mark Mortensen to allow up to \$150.00 for this expense. Motion seconded. Discussion. Barb Turner amended the motion to increase allowance to \$250.00. Amended motion seconded. Motion carried. Discussion followed. Decision to be made by the district hosting the state festival, payment would go through the state dance treasury, not the Missouri Federation. This is a one-time vote for this dance only.

Jim Monroe made a motion that the **Bluebird Dress** be brought to the table for further discussion. Motion seconded, carried. Jim made a motion that the possible change of dress be referred back to committee. Motion seconded, carried. Color copies of the proposed new dress will be made and sent to district presidents to take to district meetings for discussion.

**Other New Business - Dave Shafer:** The appointed committee of Shafers, Webers and Herrrens for a proposal of Square Dancer of the Year Award. Dave gave written proposal. Motion by Jim Monroe that the committee be made up of all district presidents, with the chair selected from the committee. Motion seconded, carried. This committee shall become a standing committee.

## Calendar Of Events

Upcoming dances: Semo Summer Swing on June 16 in Cape Girardeau; SW District Dance May 19 in Springfield; and Big Enis/Little Enis at St. Roberts on July 21.

Bob Welch and Dave Shafer challenged each person present to find one other person to subscribe to the Doin's.

Next State Board meeting June 10, 2001, West Central District. Meeting in Warsaw, dance in Clinton.

Recognition of Hosts. Edythe Introduced members of the Shooting Stars and Shoal Creek Critters.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim and Edythe Weber Secretaries  
Missouri Federation of Square & Round Dance Clubs Inc.