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**MISSOURI FEDERATION OF SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS, INC.**

**MINUTES FOR JUNE 8, 2008**

President Bob Turner called the meeting to order at 12 pm at The Black River Coliseum, 310 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Poplar Bluff, MO.

**Introduction of Host Club:** The host club, Bluff City Twirlers, and members present were introduced.

**Invocation:** Carol Morris

**Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag:** Dave Shafer

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Missouri Flag:** J.W. England

**Roll Call:** Chuck Evans recorded 44 present, including Mary Sue Darwent and Bob Pemberton as alternates for Northeast District and Dan and Jean Wheeler as alternates for Northwest District. Bill Jenkins announced Ron and Marie Selfors were replacing Jack Long as Central District delegate. Anna Ashburn was a guest of Bill and Sheila Jenkins. A quorum was achieved.

**Minutes of April 20, 2008 Meeting:** The April 20<sup>th</sup> minutes were amended as follows: The Longevity Report was corrected to read "for the months of May and June." Under Correspondence, the second paragraph concerning the nomination of Jim and Edythe Weber was to include "for Treasurer of USDA." Chuck Evans read a correction from Annette Thornhill indicating she had mailed a check for 17 cents to the Federation Treasurer to correct the Circulation Report of April 20 from \$ 1,211.13 to \$ 1,211.30. A motion was made by Dave Shafer to accept the April 20, 2008 minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded and carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Shirley Turner reported for Winnie Weitkamp and Darrell Gerster. The opening balance as of April 1, 2008 was \$9,935.67 with receipts of \$2,023.70 and expenditures of \$2,577.76. The checking account closing balance for May 31, 2008 was \$9,381.61, plus two Certificates of Deposit totaling \$7,000. The Treasurer's report was filed for audit.

Bob Turner gave a short report on the 2008 budget. Carol Morris asked that \$438.01 and \$92 be clarified as monies received from a donation dance and that these amounts be cleared up by the next meeting.

**Membership:** Shirley Turner reported for Winnie Weitkamp. The report submitted showed a total of 104 clubs in the Federation, with two clubs closing this year. It was also reported that the Do Si Doers of the Northwest District were celebrating their 55<sup>th</sup> year; however, Jim Weber reported the Do Si Doers had resigned from the Federation two years ago.

Regarding membership, President Bob Turner reported that the Federation Badge Board needed to be brought up to date if the display was to be continued. It was the consensus of the board to continue with

the Federation Badge Board and to update it. With the help of the District Presidents in getting the club badges, Dave Shafer will see that the Badge Board is brought up to date.

**Correspondence:** Chuck Evans reported sending cards to Rosalee Mortensen and Dee Shafer. It was suggested to send cards to Bob Welch, Paula Bradford, Larry Crisel Family, Tony and Carolyn Ahart, and Brenda Haliburton.

## **REPORTS:**

**Audit:** No Report

**Boundaries and Relations:** No Report

**Constitution and By-Laws:** No Report

**Publications:** Carol Morris reported that the Sunday Doin's Dance at the State Festival is to be advertised as a Donation Dance, and this will be promoted through the e-mail tree in September.

Jim Weber reported on a new contract with Pittman Printing, indicating an increase of \$0.15 per copy for an 88 page book. Under the new contract, the costs would go from \$710 to \$738 to publish 600 copies, printing costs would increase from \$1,429 to \$1,488.16, and mailing costs would increase from \$120 to \$125. Jim Weber asked for approval of a motion from the Publications Committee to accept the new contract with Pittman Printing to run from July 1, 2008 to July 31, 2009. Since the motion came from committee, it did not require a second. Discussion followed and the motion was put on hold until after the Doin's Advertising Report could be made.

**Doin's Advertising:** Dave Shafer reported. The balance brought forward for April 20, 2008 was \$100. Receipts were \$377.00 for a total checking balance of \$477.00, less expenses of \$4.80. A check was issued to the Federation Treasurer for \$372.20, leaving a balance carried forward of \$100 for June 8, 2008.

**Publications (cont'd):** The motion from the Publications Committee to accept the new contract with Pittman Printing to run from July 1, 2008 to July 31, 2009 was brought back to the floor for a vote. Motion carried.

**Doin's Editor:** Edythe Weber reported. All articles and ads are to be in by the 25<sup>th</sup> of odd numbered months. Clubs were encouraged to keep club information current and let her know when changes in callers, etc., are necessary. The club name should always be first on the subject line for e-mail. All forms for sending articles and lesson information are available on the Federation website.

**Doin's Circulation:** No Report

**Promotion:** Tony Ahart reported. The Let's Toot Our Horn awards will be distributed by the weekend of June 14. Missouri trading pins are available from Tony for the National Convention at the rate of 20 pins for \$10.00. Tony encouraged everyone to do demonstration dances to get new and more dancers.

**State Festival Site Screening:** Eleanor Stover reported the committee had met in The Black River Coliseum this morning and toured and approved The Black River Coliseum for use as the State Festival site for 2011. Sharon Crisel, Southeast District President, said the Southeast District had not yet decided between the Poplar Bluff and Lebanon locations for the 2011 State Festival.

**State Festival for 2012 Caller/Cuer:** Dave Shafer reported that no one has been contacted for 2012 because he had not been given a definite date or location yet for the 2012 Festival.

**Square Dancer of the Year:** Bob Turner reported for Larry and Jan Anslinger. No applications for Square Dancer of the Year have been received by the chairman yet from the District Presidents. The chairman needs all applications in order to proceed.

**Insurance:** Dave Turner reported. The balance for April 1,2008 was \$452.17. The income for April 2008 was \$46.75 and expenses for April 2008 were \$44.00. The balance for April 30, 2008 was \$454.92. The income for May 2008 was \$00.00 and expenses for May 2008 were \$4.00, leaving a balance for May 31,2008 of \$450.92.

**Member Services:** No Report

**Bluebird Coordinator:** Connie Hobbs reported. The October 21,2007 balance on hand was \$204.92 with income of \$14.00, leaving a balance as of June 8, 2008 of \$218.92. On hand are 29 sets of bluebirds, and the braid is on order.

**Historian:** No Report

**License Plate:** J. W. England reported. The balance on hand for April 20,2008 was \$36.20. The income for April was \$125, income for May was \$150, and income for June was \$50, for a total on hand of \$361.20. April rebates were \$50, May rebates were \$60, and June rebates were \$20, for total rebates of \$130. A check was issued to the Federation Treasurer for \$200, leaving a balance as of June 8,2008 of \$31.20.

**Travel Missouri:** No report

**USDA:** Edythe Weber reported. The USDA Board Meeting is to be held June 25,2008 in Wichita, Kansas, at the Mary Jane Teall Theater. The Youth After Party will be on June 26<sup>th</sup>. The USDA After Party is Friday June 27<sup>th</sup>. Edythe reminded everyone to distribute information on discount prescription cards, long term care and the online shopping mall.

**ARTS:** Edythe Weber reported. The dancers travel website is receiving bookings almost daily. ARTS will be hosting several seminars for marketing square dancing and possible ways to fund organizations from ARTS.

**2008 State Festival:** Jim Riley reported. There will be a fashion show and sewing seminar. Friday night will have separate halls for Square, Round, and A1 & A2 dancing with state callers and cuers. Saturday night there will be separate halls with the National Caller in the Main Hall and the Featured Cuer in the Round Dance Hall. The quilt raffle is being handled by Nancy Wheeler. The silent auction items are coming together.

**Ad Hoc—Youth and Children Dance:** Sharon Crisel reported that there are an estimated 51 youth dancers reported to be dancing or taking lessons in Missouri. There will be a free caller school prior to the 57<sup>th</sup> National Convention. Sharon reported that there is a variety of costs to youth dancers for dancing or lessons and the costs are determined by individual clubs.

**District Presidents' Report:** Sharon Crisel reported the District Presidents discussed The Doin's, the e-mail tree, the Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame, and getting club presidents to participate more.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame Plaque:** Dave Shafer reported that the company, Trophy and Plaque of West Plains, would make the Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame Plaque for \$69.95 plus \$.05 per letter, and that the plaque has been ordered from that company.

**Showcase of Ideas:** Dave Shafer reported. He is getting everything for the Showcase of Ideas ready to go to the National Convention.

**Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame Nominations:** J.W. England reported that he had handed out Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame nomination forms and that they are to be returned to him as soon as possible.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Jim Weber requested that the Northwest District be given \$2500.00 start-up money for the 2009 State Festival. A motion was made by Dave Shafer to give the Northwest District \$2,500.00 as start-up money for the 2009 State Festival. The motion was seconded and carried.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

The next Federation Meeting will be on August 17, 2008 in the St. Louis District in the Kirkwood Community Center.

The Pulaski County Fair will be June 13,2008 at St. Roberts Community Center. The Northwest District Dance will be June 14,2008.

A motion was made by Dave Shafer to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck and Linda Evans, Secretary