(Subject to Board Approval)

Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. Kearney, Missouri - December 10, 2000

Place: Kearney Elementary School

Date: December 10, 2000

Host: Northwest District

**Time:** 1:00 PM

Call to order: President Bettyrae Fluke

Pledge of Allegiance: Marvin Fluke Invocation: Charles Ball

**Roll Call:** 29 officers and representatives and 2 guests

**Revised Minutes of August 20 meeting read:** Motion made by Jim Monroe to approve seconded by Jim Weber, motion carried.

**Minutes of October** 22 **meeting read:** Correction on name of director of parks & rec. for Lebanon. (Allen Myers should be Sam Allen). Motion made by Dave Shafer to approve as corrected, seconded by Randy Boyles. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bob and Shirley Turner reported a balance October 1st \$1,430.20. Income and transfers for October \$1,524.85. Expense for October \$1,466.62. Balance in checking October 31st, \$1488.43. Income and transfers for November \$273.00. Expense for November \$1,120.72. Balance in checking November 30th \$640.66. (Checking acct general funds \$240.66 designated funds \$400.00). Balance in CDs \$17,000. Income and transfers for Dec. 1 through 10 none expenses \$125.00 Balance Dec 10 \$515.66 (General fund \$115.66 Designated fund \$400.00) Balance in CDs \$17,000.Report was approved and filed for audit.

The Southeast District of Missouri Federation of Square & Round Dance Clubs, Inc. presented a donation in the memory of a long-time caller and friend. Monroe Bellinger Monroe passed away November 22, 2000, after an extended illness. Monroe was inducted into the Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame in 1996, and had been calling for about 39 years. He was the club caller for two clubs in the SE District, the Hilltoppers and Promenairs. He also called for other clubs and taught lessons in the district. Monroe is survived by wife Maria and along list of square dance friends. The check was donated for the promotion of square dancing. President Bettyrae called for a moment of silence out of respect for Monroe Bellinger and accepted the wonderful gift in his memory. President Bettyrae also recalled Harold Edmunds funeral service the previous Monday. Following the state festival Marvin and Bettyrae sent a letter to the Carnahans expressing sympathy. A card of response from the Carnahan family was passed and presented for the Historian Lois Bess.

# **Committee Reports**

**Boundary and Relations:** Bill & Carol Morris - The committee's work was very successful in attaining their goals of improving relations and sharing. The credit card promotion was set for January 1st through March 31st. Carol encouraged all clubs take part with enthusiasm. Earning free passes from other districts would be based on percentage of membership as of Dec. 31st Mail report form by 2nd of April. Winners will be announced at the April meeting. Tom and Millie Crabtree, Randy and Juanita Boyles were released from the Boundaries & Relations Committee.

Constitution and Bylaws: Dave & Barb Turner. Deferred until later.

**Membership:** Bob & Shirley Turner - Dues and membership for 2001 - 75 clubs have paid, of which are 73 Missouri clubs and 2 Arkansas clubs. To have your club insurance effective as of January 1st get the dues paid to correlate with the insurance. Issues presented at the last meeting were presented for approval or rejection. 1 to reduce the number of meetings per year. Vote - No. 2, use of more central location for state meetings. Vote - No. 3, have meetings on Saturday afternoon instead of Sunday. Vote - No. 4, door prizes could be furnished by host club at the state expense. Vote - No. 5, have drawings for tickets to the state festival for perfect attendance to state meetings. Vote - will consider it. Information will be passed on to committee for 2001. The members of membership committee were released.

**Promotions Report:** by Randy Pratt - reported for the Let's Toot Our Horn Program, 9 clubs met the prerequisites. Eight of those get a dangle for second year accomplishment and one new club gets a new badge this year. The Travelers get a badge, Duck 'N' Dive, Ozark Twirlers and Levis & Laces get a dangle. From Southwest District Pommenaders get a dangle. From West Central District the Damsite Dancers, Apple Dumplings, and Golden Valley get a dangle. From the Northeast District, the Grand River Squares get a dangle. That's all for now, but the deadline is December 31st. The Trifold is done yearly. Randy wants to have out on the street by the 1st of year. Please make corrections, now is last chance to do it. Last year 7,500 copies were printed. Bids were ranged from \$3,000 down to \$228. The next lowest bidder from \$228 was \$325. The low bidders would have them to us in two days; others would be two to four weeks. Committee recommendation was that we dispense with bidding and accept the low bidder at \$228. This is same company as this past year for 7,500. Motion, call for the question; To have Dai-Rose Printing of Dixon print 7,500 trifolds - motion carried. Dave & Dee Shafer, and Jeff & Jennifer Pratt were thanked for their work this year and released from committee.

Site Screening: Bill & Carol Morris. No report at this time.

**Publications:** Leland & Becky Browning - Unable to attend. Ifim Monroe reported an Adcock meeting was held last evening. The committee had no report at this time.

**Insurance:** Floyd and Carolyn Herren - reported a balance of \$433.11 Oct. 1st. Income for Oct. and Nov. of \$3,701.30. Expenses for Oct. and Nov. \$3,765.87. Balance Nov. 30th \$368.54. Report approved, submitted for audit.

**Blue Bird:** Don and Berneita Buck - reported balance Oct. 21st as zero. One set sold at state dance, 5 sets were sold for crafts, with income of \$22.50 and total income of \$31.50 in cash. Balance on hand zero. Closing inventory as of Dec. 9th Blue Birds 244 sets and braid 43 sets value \$79.50. Berneita announced being finished with the Blue Bird account, asking if someone would take the job. She thanked those who supported the project over the years.

**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 - No report. Bettyrae commended them for their work on the project.

# **Doin's Report**

**Editor report:** Bob Welch reported he had failed to meet his goal of 1,000 subscription by the end of 2000, but raised his goal to 1,100 in 2001. Bob pointed out a problem with labels coming off in mailing for the Dec. mailing, but the problem had been corrected Bob related a few other problems with the Doin 's, but pointed out they were being address and would be taken care of.

**Circulation:** Dorthy Ball reported balance on hand 9/30/00 \$1,037.92. Income for Oct. \$2058.85, expense \$911.26, balance 10/31/00 \$2,185.51, income for Nov. \$644.88, balance 11/30/00 \$2,830.39. Report showed renewals for the period 152 and new 27. Report filed for audit.

**Advertising:** Dave Shafer and Dee Shafer Reported a beginning balance of \$100 income \$1,705.00 Expenses \$82.12 transfer to Missouri Federation \$1,622.88 Balance 12/10/00 \$100.00 Report filed for audit.

### **Unfinished Business**

**2000 State Festival:** Mark Mortensen Festival Chairperson asked Randy Pratt Festiva, festival treasurer to present a report of the financial results of the festival. Randy reported total income of \$28,084.43, and expenses of \$13,895.23, leaving a net income to date of \$12,189.40. Randy transferred \$12,129.40 to the federation leaving a balance of \$60.00. Randy reported he will maintain the account until all checks are cleared and summit all record for audit at the Feb. meeting. Mark thanked everyone on the committee and released the committee.

**2001 State Festival:** Leland and Mary Moyer - Leland reported that he'd talked to Sam Allen about the contract. It will be sent soon. Approximately cost \$1,400 for the accommodations. There is another big room included for Saturday night, with Friday night same as before. He encouraged clubs to buy ribbons for their members out of their treasury. Also he asked for the support of all districts in attending the 2001 festival. T-shirts are available. The committee is working on packets for distribution at the February meeting. Ads need to be sold and ready for February. A current list of clubs and members is needed. Insurance has been taken care of. Annette Thornhill announced the Hampton Inn in Lebanon as the headquarters hotel. There is a block of rooms reserved. Do get reservations and be sure to identify as square dancers to get best rate.

**Caller & Cuer report 2004:** Don and Berneita Buck - Berneita reported that the decision was made in last meeting as to who caller and cuer would be. Contracts are out, but have not been returned. Berneita will follow up and will present them when they are returned to her. Members of the Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame committee were thanked for their help and released.

**Special Committee Report:** Bill and Carol Morris - Bill - Chairpersons members Dave and Barb Turner, Charles and Dorthy Ball, Marvin and Bettyrae Fluke. A meeting of the committee and the district presidents was held in Jefferson City November 18th The decision was made that the districts should have the right to choose their state dance site. Some favored a central location, but all agreed the right to choose. It was agreed that the former survey was outdated. The site and host for the next years are conformed. NE will host in Lebanon in 2001. NW will host in NW area in 2002. SE plans to host in Lebanon in 2003. St. Louis plans to host their dance in Lebanon. Discussion of St. Louis and Southeast districts trading years resulted in recommendation to review each year's dance an updated schedule, depending upon each districts choice. The major decision of the committee was each district has the right to choose the location of the dance for the year they are host. Committee report was excepted as presented. After the report, Bill released the committee.

**USDA Report:** Jim & Edythe 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 lowa have contacted Don Tenant to set up a special dance hosted by the Table Rockers at the Shell Knob Community Center on the eve. of Jan 27th.

#### Voting on Revised Standing Rules: Article X XI and XII

Article X with a change of three years to four years section 1 was approved. With major discussion and minor change in wording sections 2-10 were approved. Article XI section 1 and 2 approved. With the addition of donating a full page memorial in the Doin 's for deceased presidents or past presidents Article XII was approved. This concluded the revisions of the constitution and bylaws. Chairperson moved the approval of the constitution and bylaws revisions. Motion carried voting on the revised constitution and bylaws will take place at the Feb. meeting Barb Turner released her committee members.

### **New Business**

**Appointment of Audit Committee for 2001:** Marvin and Bettyrae appointed Rollie and Mary Lee Brizendine, Ed and Sheryl Schofield and David and Mary Lou Marti.

**Presidents Report.** Bettyrae report that she and Marvin enjoyed serving this past year and, gave a few high light. They were vigorous travelers logging 11,473 miles, visiting 47 different clubs, attending 112 different meetings and dances. That's only counting national as one event. They thanked the officers and committees for their assigned responsibilities in such a fine manner. They thanked Don and Berneita Buck for assuming the office of immediate past president and to the Parliamentarian Jess and Peggy Kessinger for their assistance, being there and making them look good. They thanked the Doin's staff for doing a fine job, and Floyd and Carolyn Herren for their work as insurance coordinators. Then she thanked those who served on the state board for input, interest, ideas, and directions. They look forward to next year and wished all a Merry Christmas.

Nominating of Officers President Bettyrae presented individually the 2001 slate of officers as follows; 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. Dave Shafer nominated Jim and Edythe Weber from NW for Secretary. Seconded by Annette Thornhill. Treasurer - Jim and Eloise Riley. Nominations for all the offices but secretary having only one nomination, the chair entertained a motion to accept by acclamation. Annette Thornhill made motion, Randy Boyles seconded. Motion carried. Secret ballot followed with Don Buck and Marvin Fluke as tellers. Jim and Edythe Weber were elected.

## **Calendar Of Events**

A number of up coming events were announced and everyone was encouraged to support whenever possible.

**New Officer:** Bettyrae presented the new officers and pasted the gavel to Bill and Carol Morris. Bill thanked the past officers and pledged that he and Carol would do their best to carry on the leadership of the Missouri Federation.

**Next State meeting:** February 18, 2001, Northwest District, Kearney, Missouri. Host and dates for rest of 2001. Southwest April 22 - West Central June 10 - St.Louis August 19 - Northeast Oct. 21 - Southeast Dec 9th

**District Dance for 2001:** Dances are being planned and a up to date schedule will be present at the Feb. Meeting

Recognition of Host: Fishin River Sq. of Lexington Missouri

Meeting Adjourned by President Bill Morris