

(Subject to Board Approval)

MISSOURI FEDERATION OF SQUARE 'N ROUND DANCE CLUBS, INC.

MINUTES FOR December 11, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Miller at 12:04 pm at the North Kansas City Hospital Pavilion, 2800 Clay Edwards Drive, North Kansas City, MO.

Invocation: Don Garber

Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag: Dee Shafer

Pledge of Allegiance to the Missouri flag: Bettyrae Fluke

Roll Call: Ron Selfors: 24 voting positions present, full quorum achieved.

Introduction and Welcoming of Visitors and Guests: Tom Miller welcomed visitors and guests.

Minutes of Oct 23, 2011 meeting: The minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Carl Boone reporting. The beginning checking account balance as of Oct 1, 2011 was \$8,785.56. Revenue received in Oct and Nov was \$810.05. Expenses paid were \$2,272.52. The checking account balance as of Nov 30, 2011 was \$7,323.09. In addition, there are three CD's totaling \$22,000. Total funds on hand are \$29,323.09. The report was filed for audit.

Membership and Club Longevity: Carl Boone reporting. Dues have been received from 75 of 86 clubs on the rolls. 2,644 members are reported.

Longevity award went to one club:

Puxico Country Squares (SE District) received a 30 year longevity award.

Correspondence: Ron Selfors reporting. Sympathy card was sent to Don Tennant, and a get-well card was sent to Juanita Boyles.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Boundaries and Relations: No report

Constitution and Bylaws: No report.

Publications: Sharon White reporting. December DOIN's logo contest winner is Paul King, Diamond Bs, West Central District. The December issue of the DOIN's will have a full page obituary for Vi Tennant paid for by the DOIN's in recognition of the outstanding service she has provided to the Missouri dance community for many years.

Don Garber is now a member of the Publications Committee.

DOIN's Editor: Edythe Weber reporting. Clubs that have not paid their dues to the districts are not eligible to have articles in the DOIN's or have their dances listed in the calendar of events.

Southwest District will have a DOIN's dance on Feb 12 at the Northview Center in Springfield. All are invited to come and dance.

She asked that reporters please keep their articles to 150 words or less and be on time. Try to discuss future, not past dances. If you must be late, please call Edythe or Jim and explain the situation. Sometimes late items can be accepted.

DOIN's Circulation: Carol Morris reporting. For the Jan-Feb issue, 489 magazines were printed, of which 471 are paid subscriptions. Balance as of Oct 20, 2011, was \$100.00. From Oct 21 through Dec 12, 2011, total revenue was \$1,911.70, expenses were \$46.61, and total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$1,865.09. Balance as of Oct 23, 2011, was \$100.00.

DOIN's Advertising: Dave Shafer reporting. Balance as of Oct 23, 2011, was \$100.00. From Oct 23 through Dec 11, 2011, total revenue was \$1,484.00, expenses were \$4.95, and total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$1,379.05. Balance as of Dec 11, 2011, was \$100.00.

Another 21 puzzles (\$315) were sold since the last report. 101 more puzzles need to be sold to reach the break even point. If all remaining 225 puzzles are sold, a projected profit of \$1,841 will be realized.

Promotion & Recruiting: No report.

State Festival Site Screening: Tony Ahart reporting. West Central District asked Tony and Carolyn to screen the Hilton Garden Inn and Conference Center in Independence for the 2013 Festival. They found the location to offer some good amenities at a good cost. All events could be under one roof. Dancing would be on wood over carpet. Lodging would be \$92/night. The facility will be free if 125 room-nights were used (\$1,500 if no room-nights). They recommend the facility.

Insurance Coordinator: Dave Turner reporting. The beginning balance on Oct 1, 2011, was \$213.03. For the two months, total income was \$1,242.00, and total expenses were \$1,374.59. The ending balance on Nov 30, 2011 was \$80.44.

Dave stated that he can provide a list of insured clubs to any district that requests such a report.

Webmaster: Dan Wheeler reporting. All forms on the website are now interactive.

Dan suggests that email users not use the email address provided by their local service providers. These email addresses make virus control difficult.

Travel Missouri: Jim Marron reporting. As of Dec 11, 2011, 1,058 dancers have received 2,297 sets. 22 dancers have their eighth set. Total income this year is \$98.00.

Blue Bird Coordinator: No report.

Historian: Dan Wheeler reporting. The committee is in process of collecting materials. They will also be making history items available to clubs.

License Plate: No report.

United Square Dancers of America (USDA): Edythe Weber reporting. Next meeting of the USDA will be at the National Square Dance Convention in Spokane, Washington on Jun 27, 2012.

USDA is now officially a 501(c)(3) with tax exempt status.

Alliance of Rounds, Traditional and Square Dancing (ARTS): No report.

Youth and Children Dance: Sharon Crisel reporting. For the fifth year, the Youth Committee presented a square dance workshop at the Lake of the Ozarks MOAHPERD Conference on Friday, Nov 11, 2011. MOAHPERD is the Missouri Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance. Gene Wilson was the caller. A number of dancers "angeled" for the event. 28 copies of the training manual were distributed or mailed out as a result of the workshop.

West County Spinners have a contract with local junior college to teach square dancing to students. This has led to increased membership.

Start encouraging your youth dancers to apply for the USDA Youth Scholarship during their senior year or first year in college.

District Presidents' Meeting Report: Jim Weber reporting. The committee finalized a meeting calendar for the federation. Meeting dates and districts responsible are:

- Feb 19 Northeast
- Apr 15 St. Louis
- Jun 10 West Central
- Aug 19 Central
- Oct 21 Southwest
- Dec 9 Northwest

2012 State Festival Committee: Joann Miller reporting. Planning for the 2012 Festival is going well. The festival will be held in Lebanon, MO at the Cowan Center. The theme is "Cruisin', Square and Round Dancing". The colors are Burgundy and Teal. Tom Manning will be the featured caller.

2013 State Festival Committee. Gene Miller reporting. A decision is needed on the location for the festival. Action tabled until unfinished business.

Unfinished Business

2011 State Festival Committee: Bob Turner reporting. The festival attracted 466 dancers. Profit for the federation from the festival is about \$8,500. Southeast District dancers worked hard to make the festival successful. Bob and the Southeast District were applauded by the board.

The cash raffle made about \$300 for the festival and about \$600 for the clubs that sold the tickets. The committee spent less than \$50 for decorations. Most were recycled from other events.

USDA Scholarship Presentation: Edythe Weber proposed that a letter be sent by the federation to John and Alitia Becker, Presidents, USDA, thanking them for their support and for personally presenting the scholarship to Nicholas Harp's family, the winner from Southeast District. The motion was seconded and approved.

National Square Dance Convention Bid: Dave Shafer reported that \$1,536 were raised by selling bid ribbons. After expenses related to the bid process, the Missouri State Federation and the Heart of American Federation each received a check for \$335.84. This completes all actions related to the bid

effort. Dave moved that the funds be held and earmarked for a future national convention bid. The motion was approved.

2013 State Festival Committee: The location for the 2013 festival was discussed. Two locations were identified: Sedalia State Fair Grounds, and the Hilton Garden Inn and Convention Center in Independence. Jim Weber made a motion for the Federation to not approve Sedalia as the site for the 2013 State festival. Marilyn Graham proposed an amendment to the motion to add that the Federation gives the District permission to reserve the Hilton Garden for the second weekend in October if the District so desires. The amendment was seconded and passed. The amended motion was approved.

New Business

Slate of Officers: Joann Miller presented the slate of officers recommended by the nominating committee. They are: President: Tony and Carolyn Ahart; First Vice President: Larry and Jan Anslinger; Second Vice President: Larry and Sharon Crisel; Third Vice President: George and Cleva Roth; Secretary: Ron and Marie Selfors; and Treasurer: Carl and Cindy Boone.

Joann asked for nominations from the floor. There were none. Jim Weber moved that nominations cease. Motion was seconded and approved. Jim Weber made a motion that the slate be approved by acclamation. The motion was seconded and approved.

Jim Weber asked that the directors express their thanks to the departing 2011 executive staff.

Tom Miller expressed his thanks to the departing staff and his appreciation for the opportunity to serve. He released all of the committees serving at his direction.

Tony and Carolyn Ahart assumed the office of president. .

Callers for Future Festivals. Tony Ahart reported that the following callers/cuers are contracted for the festivals listed:

- 2012 Caller: Tom Manning, Cuer: Gerry and Bob Tevlin
- 2013 Caller: Tom Roper, Cuer: Jim and Georgianne Couey
- 2014 Caller: Dean Dederman, Cuer: John and Karen Herr
- 2015 Caller: Mike Hogan, contract pending, Cuer: not yet selected

National Square Dance Convention (NSDC) E-Magazine: The electronic magazine showcases the Spokane convention. It can be viewed and downloaded from the NSDC NEC site: http://www.nsdcnec.com/

Close

Tony Ahart recognized the Northwest District hosts.

The next meeting will be hosted by Northeast District and held Sunday, Feb 19, 2011, at 12 noon, at location to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Ron and Marie Selfors

Secretary