

(Subject to Board Approval)

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

MINUTES FOR February 17, 2013

President Larry Anslinger called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm at the North Kansas City Hospital Pavilion, North Kansas City, Missouri.

Agenda Change: There were no agenda changes.

Invocation: Carol Morris

Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag: Joann Miller

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Roll Call: Ron Selfors: Directors representing 28 voting positions present; full quorum achieved. A total of 41 directors and two guests were present.

Introduction and Welcoming of Visitors and Guests: Larry Anslinger welcomed visitors and guests.

Minutes of Oct 21, 2012 meeting: The minutes with corrections were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Carl Boone reporting. The beginning checking account balance as of Dec 1, 2012 was \$8,422.44. There are three CD's totaling \$30,094.12. Total funds on hand are \$50,074.56 as of the end of 2012. Revenue received in Jan was \$60.00. Expenses paid were \$2,919.73. The checking account balance as of Jan 31, 2013 was \$17,120.71. No change in CD's. The report was filed for audit.

Membership and Club Longevity: Carl Boone reporting. Dues have been received from 63 of 79 clubs on the rolls. 2,400 members are reported.

Longevity awards were presented to districts for: Lotawana Sailors (NW), 40 years in Apr; Jefferson County Squares (SL), 30 years in Jan; Western Twirlers (SW), 65 years in Jan; the Rangers (SW), 25 years in Jan; and the Hoot n' Hollers (WC), 35 years in Apr.

Correspondence: Ron Selfors reporting. A letter of appreciation was received from the family of David Hubbard for the Federation's expression of sympathy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Boundaries and Relations: No report.

Constitution and Bylaws: Eleanor Stover reporting. Eleanor provided the second reading of a proposed change to the by-laws related to state meeting times. Proposed change to the Missouri

Federation of Square 'N Round Dance clubs, Inc. Constitution and Bylaws: Article VI, Meetings, Section 1: Regular, shall be changed to read:

Regular meetings of the board of directors shall be held six times a year, hosted by member clubs. Meetings will be held in the district in which the club is a member. A dance, the night before the meeting, shall be held if possible. Meetings shall be on the second or third Sunday of February, April and August; the meeting designated as the festival meeting shall be on the Sunday of the annual festival, and the June and December meetings shall be on the first or second Sunday. Within ten days of each state meeting, each board of director member will receive uncorrected minutes of said meeting, either by e-mail to those who have e-mail addresses, or mailed to those members who do not have e-mail addresses. Notices of upcoming meetings with a copy of the previous meeting minutes and agenda of all business known to the executive committee to be brought before the board of directors shall be either e-mailed to those with an e-mail address, or mailed to those members of the board of directors who do not have an e-mail address, postmarked at least 10 days before the meeting. The meeting dates for the coming year shall be adopted at the December meeting.

Publications: No report.

DOIN's Editor: Edythe Weber reporting. When sending in DOINs articles, please put <u>only</u> club or district name in subject line.

Next publication deadline is Mar 25. Please be on time or early.

Interactive forms for the DOINs are available on the federation website (<u>www.SquareDanceMissouri.com</u>). Click on "Federation Information", then on "Show Me Doins Forms". You can use the forms online or print them. If you want to download the forms, send email to <u>doins@kc.rr.com</u>, and they will be emailed to you.

DOIN's Circulation: Carol Morris reporting. Balance as of Dec 9, 2012, was \$100.00. From Dec 9 through Feb 17, 2013, total revenue was \$2,675.25, expenses were \$67.09, and total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$2,608.16. Balance as of Feb 17, 2013, was \$100.00. For the Mar/Apr 2013 issue, there are 436 paid subscriptions.

DOIN's Advertising: Dave Shafer reporting. Balance as of Dec 9, 2012, was \$100.00. From Dec 9 through Feb 17, 2013, total revenue was \$827.00, expenses were \$5.60, and total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$721.40. Balance as of Feb 17, 2013, was \$100.00.

Another 6 puzzles were sold since the last report.

Promotion & Recruiting: Ed Schofield reporting. Ed discussed the "TOOT YOUR HORN" program. Eleven clubs have won the award for 2012. The clubs are: **Central**: Duck N Dive, Millstone Wheelers; **Northeast**: Beaux & Belles, Capital City Squares, Tanglefoot Squares; **Northwest**: Swinging Singles; **Southeast**: Puxico County Squares; **Southwest**: Mo-Kan Squares, Promenaders, Rangers; and **St. Louis**: Missouri Promenaders.

State Festival Site Screening: No report.

Insurance Coordinator: Jim Weber reporting. Balance as of Dec 10, 2012, was \$185.45. For the period Dec 10, 2012 through Feb 17, 2013, program income was \$2,785.50, and the program expenses were \$2,752.10. The end balance is \$218.85. Currently, 50 clubs were insured through the Federation;

and 12 clubs, through other federations. 1,743 dancers are insured through the Federation. Jim can be reached at <u>moinsurance@kc.rr.com</u> or 816-781-3598.

Information and forms are available on the state website (www.Forms.SquareDanceMissouri.com)

Travel Missouri: Jim Marron reporting. As of Feb 15, 2013, 1,184 dancers have received 2,585 sets. 56 dancers have their eighth set, 26 dancers have their ninth set, and 24 dancers are have their tenth set. Total income this year is \$49.32. Total expenses are none. Total account balance is \$49.32.

Blue Bird Coordinator: Connie Hobbs reporting. Two sets of bluebirds have been sold at \$4.50 each. Total balance in Bluebird account is \$138.11.

Webmaster: Dan Wheeler reporting.

E-Mail Addresses - Square Dance Missouri email addresses have been assigned to the officers of the Executive Committee. Emails sent to these addresses will be automatically forwarded to the officer's personal email address. There personal email addresses are never on the Missouri Federation website, and I (nor anyone else) will be able to read them. These addresses will stay with the office. The address to whom the email is forwarded will be changed when new officers are elected.

Square Dance Missouri email addresses are available to any committee chairperson if he/she would like one. These email addresses will forward email to any current email address except AOL addresses.

Website Change - When you open any web page on the Missouri Federation website in any browser, somewhere near the top of the page is a tab with the name of the page. The tab is at slightly different places on different browsers, but they all have them. On that tab, to the left of the page name, is an icon. In the past all the pages I do had the Icon "DW". Now, all Missouri Federation pages have "MO". All St. Louis Metro pages have "SL". All club website pages have initials for that club. These initials can be changed, or can be a logo icon if the club has a logo. Three clubs do. Examples are West County Spinners and Santa Fe Trailers. If your club has a logo, send it to me, and I'll use it. If your club would prefer initials other than the ones I chose, let me know, and I will change them.

Cancellation and Change Notices - I was pleased to received cancellation notices to add to the notices & cancellations page during a snow storm last month. I also had new directions to last Friday's Ramblers dance. Construction had closed one of the ways to the dance.

Historian: Dan Wheeler reporting. I have added a number of new "Histories" to the history part of the website. Some of the additions are: Additions to the 2012 history. Additional club histories, and for the first time, caller /cuer histories. You might mention to your favorite caller /cuer that he /she can send me a history or biography.

If you know about any other events of historical interest, write them up and I will add them. This can include special club, district or state items.

The history section now has a page with the names and years of the callers/cuers on the "Callers/Cuers Hall of Fame" and a page with the names and years of the dancers honored as "Dancers of the Year".

License Plate: JW England reporting. Program records have gone to the auditors.

United Square Dancers of America (USDA): Edythe Weber reporting. The winter meeting in Kansas City, Jan 24-27, was a great success. It was a working meeting with many revisions made to USDA

educational publications. All USDA publications will have a new look beginning with the National Convention this year.

Alliance of Rounds, Traditional and Square Dancing (ARTS): Edythe Weber reporting. Please check your club listing in the club database at <u>www.you2candance.com</u>. Make sure all info is correct. Let Jim know if something is wrong.

Use the You2canDance website for recruiting and answering questions for potential new dancers.

Next ARTS meeting will be on Sunday after the National Convention in Oklahoma City. All are invited.

District Presidents' Meeting Report: Edythe Weber reporting. Eleanor and John Stover are the chairs of the Dancer of the Year Committee. There was also discussion of the \$250 grant to each district for promoting square dancing and the upcoming state festival.

Youth and Children Dance: No report.

2013 State Festival: Ed Schofield reporting. The 2013 Festival will be hosted by West Central District and will be at the Sedalia State Fair Grounds, 11-13 Oct. The theme will be "Roaring Ragtime Express." The colors are red, white and black. A highlight of the festival will be dancing on the Katy Trail. There will be a Trail-In Dance on Thursday night. More details later.

2014 State Festival: Eleanor Stover reporting. The 2014 Festival will be hosted by Central District and will be at the Cowan Center, Lebanon, 17-19 Oct.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

In Appreciation: Larry and Jan Anslinger presented a plaque and card to Tony and Carolyn Ahart for their outstanding leadership during their term of office as Federation President.

Bylaw Change: Eleanor Stover asked the board to approve the bylaws change now read twice (see Committee Reports). The directors approved the change.

District Promotion Grants. There was a discussion of the \$250 grants that were given to each district to promote dancing. Several districts were asking for their second \$250 grant based on their reporting success in spending the first grants. After some discussion, Tony Ahart made a motion that each district receive their second \$250 grant. The motion was seconded and approved. The treasurer distributed checks.

NEW BUSINESS

2013 Budget: Carl Boone presented a proposed budget for the Federation. The bottom line was projected revenue of \$23,200, and projected expenses of \$20,950, for a net revenue for the year of \$2,250. Dave Shafer made a motion to approve the budget. It was seconded and approved.

Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame: Tony Ahart asked for volunteers for the Hall of Fame committee. Four committee members are needed in addition to the Aharts who chair the committee. Volunteers were: Tom and Pat Miller, NW; Dave and Dee Shafer, CD; Ray and Vicki Wittman, SL; and George and Cleva Roth, NE. The directors approved the slate.

CLOSE

Larry Anslinger recognized the Northwest District hosts that provided the hearty lunch at the meeting.

The next meeting will be hosted by the Central District on Sunday, Apr 14, 2013, at 12 noon, at the St. Robert Community Center in St. Robert, Missouri. The Spring Fling Dance will be held at the same location on Saturday, Apr 13, from 3-7pm. There will be an all-you-can-eat dinner from 5:30-7:00pm. Cost for all is \$7 per person (\$3.50 for 18YO and younger).

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Ron and Marie Selfors

Secretary