

The Missouri Federation of Square 'n Round Dance Clubs

(subject to Board approval)

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

Minutes of June 4, 2017

President Dan Reedy called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. at the Arcadia Academy in Arcadia. Missouri.

Invocation: Dave Byers

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Roll Call: Penny Byers. Full Quorum achieved.

Approval of April Minutes: President Reedy asked for corrections or additions to the February minutes. Charles Smith moved to accept the minutes as presented. Motion was seconded and carried.

Treasurer's Report: Rosa Davis reported a beginning checking balance as of March 31, 2017 of \$19,542.61. Since the last meeting we've had Revenue of \$3,205.16 and Expenses of \$15,995.39. The ending checking account balance as of June 4, 2017 is \$6,752.38. Total CDs and interest amounted to \$50,094.12 for Total Funds on hand of \$56,846.50. The Treasurer's report will be submitted for audit.

A \$10,000 CD was purchased at the Academy Bank (19 months / 1.31% APY)

Per Jim Weber's question at the last meeting about the \$10 service charge on Feb 28, Rosa reported the checking account balance dropped below \$1,000 and that is what the bank charges if it drops below \$1,000. If anyone has any further questions, please contact Rosa.

Membership and Club Longevity: Rosa Davis reported we have 56 clubs this year. No Longevity Awards at this time.

Correspondence: Penny Byers reporting. A get well soon card for Sharon White was passed around for her hip replacement on May 24.

Boundaries and Relations: Ray and Vicki Wittman. No report.

Constitution and Bylaws: Ron & Marie Selfors. No report.

Publications: Carol Morris. (Absent) No report.

DOIN'S Editor: Edythe Weber reporting. Congratulations – all but 3 club article writers made the deadline and had their articles in before Memorial Day!! It made my job so much easier.

The next deadline is July 25 for the September/October issue. **Clubs that dance the September-August dance season should send me their full year schedule as soon as possible**. Also send to Dave if your club does ads.

Just a reminder that the forms for sending items for the DOIN'S are available and interactive on the web at <u>www.SquareDanceMissouri.com</u> or you can request we send them to you electronically.

DOIN'S Circulation: Jim Weber reporting. Subscriptions for the DOIN'S this month were 266, 1 exchange copy and 13 for staff, historian and post office for a total mailing of 280. We received 25 renewals, 3 new subscriptions and 0 copies went to new students. We will be sending out 30 postcards to subscribers whose subscriptions will expire with the July/August issue.

<u>Financial report</u>: The balance brought forward was \$100 with a total income of \$1,191.00 (from subscriptions & SW District DOIN'S dance). Expense of postage amounted to \$0.00. A check for \$1,191.00 was given to the Federation. The ending balance is \$100.

DOIN's Advertising: Dave Shafer. (Absent) No report.

Promotions and Advertising: Jack & Becky Rockaway. (Absent) No report.

State Festival Site Screening: Ron & Marie Selfors Reporting. We went to Sedalia to look at possible sites for the 2020 State Festival. Liz will bring it forward at the next meeting. It was a good view, they weren't able to get the Armory building, but they have a couple of other buildings that would work.

Insurance Coordinator: Jim Weber reporting. As of June 4, 2017, 1,374 dancers are insured through Missouri Federation; 328 dancers are insured through other federations; for a total of 1,702 Missouri dancers. (56 Missouri Clubs)

Remember to submit the club sponsored class form. As of January 2017, new dancers in lessons will be covered anywhere they dance, **IF** the club sponsoring the lessons has completed and filed the Missouri club sponsored class form for 2017. Once the new dancers graduate lessons, they are no longer insured until they join a club, pay the insurance premium and the club submits an additional enrollment form. New members are not covered until the

national insurance coordinator receives the enrollment form. 100% participation of club members is required. The 2017 premium is \$4.75 per dancer.

Remember to complete an accident form for **ALL accidents** that occur at your dance, even if they appear minor at the time.

Financial Report: Beginning balance as of April 9, 2017, is \$280.80; total income of \$161.00 and expenses of \$144.15 leaves us an ending balance on June 3, 2017, of \$297.65.

We have added 31 new dancers since last meeting.

Travel Missouri: Jim Marron reporting. As of June 1, 2017, the total number of dangles given out for Missouri was 439.

390	Southeast	335
347	Northwest	356
368	Southwest	391
376		
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The grand total for all districts is 3,006

Financial Report: We have 276 members. There was no income or expenses since last meeting, leaving a balance of \$68.35.

Blue Bird Coordinator: Connie and Kenny Hobbs (Absent). No report.

Webmaster: Dan Wheeler. (Absent) No report.

Historian: Dan Wheeler. (Absent) No report.

License Plate: Sharon White. (Absent) Edyth Weber reporting. Sharon has received her first renewal for this year. Please be sending her your renewal notices so she can send you the emblem approval for you to get your license renewed in July.

USDA: Edythe Weber reporting. The annual Board of Directors meeting in Cincinnati is Wednesday, June 21, 2017 Hall C in the Duke Energy Center at 1:00 p.m. Our delegates should have received their packet of information.

A new discount prescription card will be introduced at the meeting. Information on the card is already on the USDA website. The old one will still be active, but we are trying to get the word out to the cardholders to switch over. We believe it will have a much better discount than the old one.

In addition, a new 19 page booklet, Communications for Square Dance Leaders, will be on the USDA publications table for the first time, hot off the presses. There is a wide variety of topics to

help square dance clubs, whether announcing new class opportunities or advertising a special dance event, to get the word out to both current dancers and to the broader community of potential new dancers. This publication aims to provide some tips, hints, and information to support dance leaders in communicating about dance activities. It includes sections on traditional media, social media, and other strategies for advertising and promoting square dancing and sharing the benefits of square dancing with others.

ARTS: Edythe Weber reporting. Annual meeting is Sunday, June 25 in Room 236 in the Duke Energy Convention Center. The meeting will start at 9:00 a.m. and should be over by 2:00 p.m. Anyone may attend this meeting.

District Presidents' Report: Sharon Crisel reporting. SW District meeting is August 13th in Neosho. NW District meeting is July 22nd at the Point in Kansas City. State Fair deadline for tickets is July 1st. We had a little bit of discussion about the Square Dancer of the Year, it was brought to our attention that the rules were brought up at the February meeting and then changed; nominations need to be into your district presidents by July 1, then the district presidents need to have them to the committee chairman (Carolyn Goucher) by July 15th. That was a Standing Rule change, so check your State Festival club packet and make sure the rule has been changed on the form.

Youth and Children's Dance: Sharon & Larry Crisel. I have sent an application into the MOAHPERD that we have done every year for the last 12 or 13 years, except the last year. The meeting is in November, but won't hear back from anyone until September. We have always done a one hour workshop with the Physical Education and Recreation Teachers at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Bill Morris Scholarship: Robert Turner reporting. Please continue to think on this issue (if you want to continue it or not) and we will vote on it either at the August or October meeting.

2017 State Festival: Ray & Vicki Wittman. Registrations are coming in very slow. Polo shirts are selling fine, but regular T-Shirts are not. Caller/Cuer responses are coming in. We have about 25 now. After paying \$2500 to the Cowan Civic Center, we now have about \$1,000 on hand. This money will cover the caller/cuer expenses. We visited the Cowan Civic Center this past week and told them we will not be using the theatre. There is a wide hall outside of the theatre on the 2nd floor and that is where we will be holding our workshops. We have asked Paula's workshop as a vendor and she said she would come. Do you think we need another one? The Ole Sew-n-Sew Square Dance Shop has been placing ads in the DOIN'S, I think we should invite them.

Jim Weber – one of the reasons we are not a 501C-3, is b/c at our Festivals we do not have Educational Seminars. We need to consider someone giving Educational Seminar's at our Festivals. USDA has hundreds of topics. We can use their pamphlets in the Seminar's.

National Convention: Carl and Cindy Boone (absent). Jim Weber reporting. If you preregistered for the 2018 Convention, you still need to fill out the long form and get it to me. Out of the 1700 dancers we have in Missouri, we have less than 300 registered for the National Convention.

Old Business:

Hall of Fame Selection Committee: George and Cleva Roth reporting. We need a committee for the Hall of Fame Selection. You decided at the last meeting you need a list of eligible committee members. There should be a list on each table. We need a volunteer from each district. After much discussion, it was decided that the "list" IS the "ballot". Secret vote was taken by each couple voting for 4 people (each from different districts).

A short break was taken while ballots were counted.

The Hall of Fame Selection Committee will consist of: John & Beverly Stuart (St Louis District), Loretta Compton (SW District), Bob & Shirley Turner (SE District) and Liz Rooks (WC District).

Sharon Crisel moved to destroy ballots. Motion was seconded and carried.

New Business:

2018 State Festival: Sharon Crisel reporting. We are working on a design, we haven't finalized it yet. Does anyone have past State Festival ribbons (1994 and back)? I'd like to have them.

USDA Delegates: President Dan Reedy reported we tabled the discussion of how our USDA delegates should vote on the 501C-3 issue, continue or end. Jim Weber moved to remove the discussion off the table. Motion was seconded and carried.

After much discussion, the vote was 4 yes continue and 3 no, end it.

Delegates are: George & Cleva Roth and John & Bev Stuart. Dan Reedy is alternate.

2019 MO State Festival Caller/Cuer: In Carl & Cindy Boone's absence, President Dan Reedy reported that Carl & Cindy has the following proposal:

Caller: Noah Siegmann, Rubicon, WI - \$800.00 Plus two nights lodging.

Cuer: Cathy & Fred Fischer, Conway AR - \$425.00 Plus two nights lodging.

We need Board approval before they can send contracts to them. Sharon Crisel moved to send contracts to Carl & Cindy's proposed caller/cuer. Motion seconded and carried.

Showcase of Ideas: President Dan Reedy reported Dave Shafer has the stuff stored. Is anyone taking it to Cincinnati? Edyth Weber went over what the job entails. After discussion, George & Cleva Roth volunteered to set-up (Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.); Dan Reedy volunteered to check on it and to tear-down (Saturday at 2:00 p.m.).

Audit Committee Report: Liz Rooks reporting. The 2017 committee (to look at 2016 books) consists of Curt & Phyllis Brockhaus, Tom Miller and Liz Rooks. We met on May 30th. We reviewed the following books: State Treasurer – Rosa Davis; License Plate – Sharon White; Show Me DOIN'S – Jim & Edyth Weber; Mo Fed Insurance – Jim & Edyth Weber; Show Me

DOIN'S Advertising – Dave Shafer; and the 2016 Mo State Festival – Dan & Jean Wheeler. We found all records to be in very good order.

Bob Turner: Earlier it was mentioned that we do not have an operating budget for this year. Therefore, I recommend we adopt last years' budget and use it this year. Recommendation was seconded. After some discussion and a suggestion to take out the puzzle sales for 2017, recommendation carried.

Calendar of Events

- July 7-9, Macon Beaux & Belles will host a square dance/campout in Macon
- July 8, SE District Dance at Madison County Farm Supply. 7-9:30 p.m.
- July 22, NW District Dance at the Point in Raytown. 7-10 p.m.
- Aug 19, Macon Beaux & Belles dance with Rodney Pearl from IL
- Oct 8, Tony Oxendine at the Point in Raytown. 6:30-9:30 p.m. To benefit the 67th NSDC.
- Oct 20-22, Mo Federation State Dance, Lebanon

President Dan Reedy thanked the Southeast District & the Arcadia Valley Do Si Do's for hosting the dance and state meeting.

The next state board meeting will be August 13th in Neosho. The Southwest District will host.

Jim Weber moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded, and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Penny & Dave Byers Secretary