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The Missouri Federation of Square 'n Round Dance Clubs

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Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. Springfield, Missouri - April 9, 2000

Place: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
Date: April 9, 2000
Host: Kountry Kuzins & Solo Swingers
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Call to Order: President Bettyrae Fluke
Pledge of Allegiance: Marvin Fluke
Roll Call: 57 officers and representatives and four guests.

Minutes: Read and approved as corrected. Motion by Leland Browning, Ron Irvin seconded.

Treasure Report: Feb. 1st Balance forward \$3,313.47; Income \$1,809.23; Expenses \$2,574.76; Balance March 1st \$2,561.44; Income March \$94.05; Expense \$1,172.04. Balance in checking March 31st \$1,483.45. Balance in CDs \$17,000. Report filed for audit.

Committee Reports

Boundary & Relation: Bill & Carol Morris. Committee reported working on ideals of recruiting students and inviting them to lessons. Also exploring ideals to retain students after lessons. Committee recommends that a package containing by laws, constitution and agenda for the meeting be presented to each new delegate attending their first meeting.

Constitution & By Law: Dave & Barb Turner were not able to attend. Floyd Herron acting chairman for the committee deferred action until unfinished business was in order.

Membership: Bob & Shirley Turner reported 111 clubs had paid dues as of March. 31st MO. 108, AK. 2 111.1. Total membership reported MO. 4,187, AK. 30.111 no information. NW District information reported as not complete. All other membership information was up to date.

Site Screening: No report

License Plate: Mark Mortensen reported that the Square Dance License Plate Bill 1193 had been added to bill 1767. Bill 1767 contains a Girl Scouts license plate, our plate and six other plates. Mark was favorable as to the prospects for the Bill to become law this year. President Bettyrae presented Mark with an article from an Ozark paper, which quoted Senator Staples from southeast Missouri as saying "the license plate was a good cause but had gotten out of hand." Mark stated action on the bill should be completed by the middle of May.

Publication: Leland & Becky Browning reported Doin 's was into the 3rd issue with the new staff and new publisher. Biggest problem to-date was proofreading. They are working on the problem and ask for support from the clubs in seeing that all information is presented in a well-written and timely manner. Leland asked that new graduates name and address be submitted to circulation for one free issue of the Doin's. Committee reported checking into a new data base for circulation.

Insurance: Floyd Herren reported a Balance Feb 1st \$522.14. No business for the month of Feb. Balance March 1st \$522.14 Income for March plan A \$79.20, plan B \$135.00. Expense for March to USDA for Plan A \$72.00 and \$129.60 for plan B. Balance April 1st \$534.74. Report filed for audit.

Blue Bird: No activities **Historian:** No report

State Fair Dance: Report by Marian Anderson that they were having problems getting a good location for the dance at the state fair. More contacts will be made by a number of people and the decision was postponed until the June meeting.

Doin's Report

Editor Report: Bob Welch apologized for errors as to time and date for a club dance. Bob related the tremendous responsibility of his new job and asked everyone to bear with him. He assured everyone he would do the best he could to maintain and improve the Doin's. He reiterated his goal of increasing circulation to one thousand copies.

Circulation: Dorthy Ball reported income of \$1,215.02 from Feb 1st to April 5th. (\$225 new subscribers (18@\$12 & 1@\$9) \$777 renewals (64@\$12 & 1@\$9)\$213 interest, transfers, and other income) Expenses \$101.25 net for the period \$1,113.77. Balance forward \$4,008.96. Balance April 4th \$5,122.73. 834 Doin's were mailed in March and 825 in April. Dorthy responded to questions on the \$9 and \$12 subscription, stating a number of people use the old rate and she has to contact them for the difference. In the mean time they are assigned nine months of subscription. Report filed for audit.

Advertising: Dave Shafer reported income of \$1,140.00 expenses of \$29.88 transfer to Federation \$1,010.12 leaving a balance of \$100.00. Report filed for audit.

Unfinished Business

2000 State Festival: Mark Mortensen reported 20 committees working hard. Booster ribbon, time frame for different report and activities and general information on the festival were passed out in packet for each club at the Feb meeting. Everything is going well and Mark encouraged everyone to promote and support the festival.

Voting on revision to constitution: A great deal of discussion, amending, referring back to committee and approving was carried out in this part of the meeting. A detailed report will be provided to the delegates at the June meeting and a copy of the newly revised constitution and bylaws will be presented to each club when this lengthy process is completed.

New Business

Audit Report: Joan Critcher reported the audit as requested by the state president of all records of the federation had been performed. The audit committee believed the records to be accurate and in good order, with no question about the integrity of the record keeping. A complete copy of the audit report was presented to officers and delegates & filed with secretary. Joan moved the acceptance of the report. Motion carried.

USDA Report: Jim Weber reported on House Bill HJR 60 which if passed would make Square Dancing the National Folk Dance. The Bill is slated to come out of committee in mid-May. Jim encouraged everyone to contact their Representatives to cosponsor the bill. The national meeting will be held in Baltimore June 21st at 12:30 p.m. at the Omni Hotel. USDA after party will be in hall E on Friday night 10 until midnight. At the USDA winter meeting approval was given for all USDA affiliates authority to attach a Web page to the USDA Web site. Missouri is working on a Web page that they plan to attach. Address will be usda.orth/missouri. Three data bases are up and running on the Web. Anyone interested in lessons, square dance, and caller information from around the world is encouraged to visit the Web site.

President Bettyrae thanked Jim for the report and related activities she had carried out in support of the folk dance bill. She requested everyone to follow up by making contacts by letter, phone, or e-mail. She plans to mail all Missouri delegates a packet of information related to the national meeting and dance.

Caller and Cuer Report 2004: Berneita Buck passed out a list of callers. After minor changes and additions from the floor, delegates were asked to vote for five each. They will tabulate the results, make contacts and report back at the June meeting for follow up voting.

Calendar Of Events

A number of square dance activities for April and May were reported.

Dave Shafer pointed out that advertising in the Doin's would provide a larger audience than just the people attending the state meeting. He suggested taking advantage of the Doin's for promoting their square dance activities.

Next State Meeting: Northeast District will host the meeting on June 11th at Kirksville. Information on motels, location and activities will be mailed by the state secretary in late May.

Recognition of Host: Joan Critcher was asked to introduce members of the Kountry Kuzins & Solo Swingers, co-hosts for the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: by President Bettyrae