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Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. Cape Girardeau, Missouri - December 9, 2001

Place: Trinity Lutheran School
Date: December 9, 2001
Host: Southeast District
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Call to Order: President Bill Morris
Invocation: Charles Ball
Pledge of Allegiance: Shirley Turner
Roll Call: Thirty officers and representatives answered roll call.
Introduction of Guests: Sharon and Larry Prisel from Puxico, new delegates for Southeast District for 2002.

Approval Minutes: Approved as corrected. Under Constitution and By-laws report, first paragraph, line 4 should read "Appointments," and second paragraph, line 7 should read ".. club name, name of the federation,..". Under Site Screening report, Randy Pratt stated that the committee did not approve the facility, so "and approved" was stricken from the sixth sentence, line six.

Treasurer's Report: Jim and Eloise Riley. Jim gave the report. Beginning balance 10/16/01 - \$11,075.49 (SB&T - \$196.55; General Fund - \$9,603.94; Designated Funds (USDA) \$400.00; Memorial \$50.00; Sept 11 Fund - \$825.00.) Balance in CD's - \$17,000. Ending Balance 12/08/01 - \$11,482.29 (SB&T - \$241.80; General Fund - \$9,216.98; Designated Funds (USDA) - \$400.00; Memorial - \$50.00; Sept 11 Fund - \$1,573.51.) Balance in CD's - \$17,000. Total funds available - \$28,482.29. Report filed for audit.

Committee Reports

Boundaries and Relations: Dave and Barb Turner. Barb thanked the district presidents for being faithful in attending the Boundaries and Relations committee meetings one hour prior to the Federation board meetings. Barb mentioned the listing of annual district dance dates that is available. Copies of the color district maps are also available.

Constitution and Bylaws: Bob and Shirley Turner. Thanked his committee members. Bob gave Jim Monroe the last of the Standard Operating Procedures to be included in the new handbook. Bob Turner stated that on behalf of the Constitution and By-laws Committee, he moved that all additions or revisions to the Constitution and By-laws, Standing Rules and Standard Operating Procedures for the Board of Director's Handbook be made through the Constitution and By-laws Committee annually. Distribution would be made by the Federation secretary at the annual December meeting of the board of directors. Discussion. Motion carried. Jim Monroe suggested that guidelines for the Handbook be added to the Standing Rules. Bob stated that this would be something for the 2002 Constitution & By-Laws Committee since this is a combined effort of the Constitution & By-Laws and Publications Committees and the Federation secretary.

Membership: Jim and Eloise Riley. No change in previous report for 2001. Total received to date for 2002 is 85 clubs.

Site Screening: Dave and Barb Turner/Randy and Penny Pratt. No additional report.

Promotions: Randy and Penny Pratt. Randy gave a report on the revising and printing of the 2002 tourist information trifold. Needed additions, corrections and deletions today. Randy recommended Dal Rose Printing in Dixon, Missouri to do the printing again.

Randy also stated that at this time 14 clubs qualify for the Let's Toot Your Horn. They are the Travelers, Ozark Whirlers, Pommenaders, Damsite Dancers, Bluff City Twirlers, Millstone Wheelers, Cassville Swingi 'n' Stars, Puxico County Squares, Jeans & Queens, Duck 'n' Dive, Levis and Lace, Grand River Squares, Solo Swingers, and Apple Dumpings.

License Plates: Mark and Rosalee Mortensen. Mark has talk to Bill Ransdell and he will submit it next week.

Publications: Jim and Phyllis Monroe. Jim reported that the Director's handbooks are complete and copy given to the president, secretary and treasurer. Copies are available for directors later in this meeting.

Insurance: Floyd and Carolyn Herren. Balance 10/1/01 - \$131.40. Income for October \$81.00; Income for November \$1,094.30; Expenses for October \$78.00; Expenses for November \$959.80. Ending Balance 11/30/01 - \$268.90. Floyd reminded delegates that the November income was due to 2002 enrollments. Enrollment in Plan A for 2001 - 1,289 members - 33 clubs; Plan B - 2,630 members - 64 clubs insured + 5 minimum clubs (53 members). Enrollment Plan A for 2002 - 94 members - 3 clubs; Plan B - 298 members - 8 clubs insured + 3 minimum clubs (47 members).

Blue Bird: Judy Epperson. Not present. No report. HISTORIAN - Ray and Vicki Wittman. No additional report.

Research & Funding: Marvin and Bettyrae Fluke. Bettyrae thanked Dave and Barb Turner for sharing their committee time with them. Bettyrae reminded delegates about the February 17th deadline for turning in expenses to be reimbursed.

Dancer of the Year Award: Bob and Shirley Turner. Bob congratulated the first recipients of this new award, Tom and Millie Crabtree.

Doin's Report

Editor: Bob and Loretta Welch. Bob asked if the St. Louis district would like to be highlighted in the February Doin's. Deadline for articles will be December 28th because of the holidays. Bob reminded clubs to keep the club directory updated.

Circulation: Charles and Dorthy Ball. Balance on hand 9/30/01 - \$1,141.93. Income for October, \$1,673.27; Income for November, \$541.00. Expenses for October, \$800.00 transferred to Missouri Federation + \$60.75. No expenses for November. Balance 11/30/01 - \$2,495.45. As of December 6th there were 882 subscriptions.

Advertising: Dave and Dee Shafer. Dave reported balance on hand 10/21/01 - \$100.00. Income for November and up to December 9th. 2001 - \$1,957.00; Expenses for same period \$38.80. Check to Missouri Federation for \$1,818.20. Balance on hand 12/9/01 - \$100.00. Thanks to those who bought Christmas ads (21 ads sold). Dave reminded us that Valentines Day is coming up in February. Deadline is December 28th.

Unfinished Business

2001 State Festival: Annette Thornhill came forward to make report. David Mauzey, Treasurer, gave a summary of income and expenses. The 2001 State Festival gave the Missouri Federation a check for \$9,000.00, keeping \$629.12 in the account until all checks and bills have been paid and cleared. Annette handed over the final report. David said that the records were ready for audit.

2002 State Festival: Jim and Edythe Weber. Jim reported that plans are going well. He is confirming hotel prices. T-shirt sales are available in the back today. Jim reminded delegates to register early.

USDA Report: Jim and Edythe Weber. Jim talked about the letter to President Bush that Lyle and Jean Beck, USD A president wrote in September. Lyle and Jean received a response letter. Edythe reminded delegates about the Script card program. She said that they need to know if there is a problem with any pharmacy or pharmacist. People can call us or the 800 number on the back of the card. They would also appreciate having good reports to print in USDANEWS.

2001 In Review: Bill and Carol Morris. Carol thanked everyone for his or her help this year. Special thanks to parliamentarian, Jess and Peg Kessinger. Programs throughout the year were the credit card program, the research and funding committee, the new blue bird dress, the first square dancer of the year award, and the suggestion to make April "Caller/Cuer Appreciation month."

Other Unfinished Business: 9-11 th Funds. Bill said he had been in contact with Don Coy, of Brooklyn, who said there were no square dancers lost in the September 11 th crashes. Bill has been researching ideas for the use of the funds donated for aid in recovery from this devastating event. Red Cross, Salvation Army, and many

others had been suggested. Jim and Edythe Weber had sent him information about the World Trade Center Ground Zero Relief. The web site is www.wtcgroundzerorelief.org. The effort still continues to clean up the rubble, and many volunteers are still there working on a daily basis. This effort will continue for many months to come. Edythe read the list of needs for this effort. Discussion followed. Bettyrae Fluke made a motion to purchase \$1,573.51 worth of heavy-duty rubber or latex gloves to be donated to the WTC Ground Zero Relief. Motion seconded. Discussion followed. Jim Monroe amended the motion to purchase the gloves less any designated recipient funds since some donors specified their donation for a specific recipient. Jim Riley said he would have to go back through the records to see what amounts specified certain organizations. Amendment seconded. Vote on the amendment failed. Bettyrae amended the original motion to say the total amount of donated funds be used for the purchase of the gloves, dropping the specified amount from the original motion. Randy Pratt seconded. Motion carried. Bill Morris was designated to be the purchasing agent for the gloves and get them mailed to the address in the literature about WTC Ground Zero Relief. Several locations were recommended to check into cost, etc.

New Business

2005 State Festival: Jim Monroe officially requested that the 2005 State Festival be hosted and held in the Southwest District.

Dave and Barb Turner received a letter of invitation to the Callerlab Convention in West Virginia in March 25-27, 2002. Cost is \$180.00 plus 3 days lodging. President Morris asked for discussion. No discussion followed. Bill said he would send them a thank you.

Bill Morris released all the 2001 committees except for the Research and Funding Committee which will continue until February 2002 or as soon as its duties are completed.

Bill announced the audit committee as Ray and Vicki Wittman, Bill Houseman, and John Presser.

Election Of 2002 Officers: Bill Morris. Bettyrae Fluke stated that there were no changes in the slate of officers as proposed by the Nominating committee at the October meeting. President Morris appointed Marvin Fluke and Charles Ball as tellers if they were needed. President Morris asked for nominations from the floor for each office - President Dave and Barb Turner (no additional nominations from the floor), 1st Vice President Randy and Penny Pratt (no additional nominations from the floor), 2nd Vice President Jim and Eloise Riley (no additional nominations from the floor), 3rd Vice President Jim and Edythe Weber (no additional nominations from the floor). Secretary nominee from proposed slate was Dean and Betty Osbourne. Leland Browning submitted the name of Dave and Dee Shafer for Secretary. Vote was taken by secret written ballot. Dave and Dee Shafer were elected. Treasurer nominee from proposed slate was Jim and Phyllis Monroe. Carolyn Herren submitted the name of Bob and Loretta Welch for Treasurer. Again vote was by secret written ballot. Bob and Loretta Welch were elected. Ray Wittman made the motion to destroy the ballots from both votes. Seconded and carried.

Bars for 2002 state badges are available before you leave. If there is no badge for someone, it will need to be ordered from the Tennants.

Bill Morris turned the gavel over to Presidents Dave and Barb Turner. Barb read the prayer of St. Francis of Assisi. Official introduction of new officers was made.

Other New Business: Dave Shafer mentioned that at the State Festival there had been one or two minor injuries. Dave brought forward a motion that a first aid kit would be a good investment for the Federation to make. Discussion followed. Jim Weber volunteered to put together a first aid kit for this purpose. Motion seconded and carried. The kit should be available at state board meetings and the state festival.

Edythe Weber made a motion to destroy tapes from previous years Federation meetings prior to 1998. The secretary should keep three years of minutes in their possession as well as those tapes. Other minutes and secretarial correspondence should go to the historian and the tapes be destroyed. Ray Wittman seconded the motion. Lois Bess reminded the Federation and historian that there are no written minutes from 1993 because of the flood. The secretary and historian should make sure there are written minutes before destroying any tapes. Motion carried.

Calendar Of Events

Dates Of 2002 Meetings & Host Districts: February 17 - Southwest April 21 -Central June 9 - West Central
August 18-St Louis October 20 - Northwest District December 8 – Southeast.

Next State Board Meeting: February 17, 2002 Southwest District.

Recognition Of Hosts: Shirley Turner introduced members of the Roll-A-Ways Square Dance club who were our hosts for the dance on Saturday night as well as today.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Edythe & Jim Weber Secretaries
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