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# *The Missouri Federation of Square 'n Round Dance Clubs*

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(Subject to Board Approval)

## **Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. Puxico, Missouri - December 08, 2002**

**Place:** Puxico Schools Multipurpose Room  
**Host:** Southeast District  
**Date:** December 08, 2002  
**Time:** 1:00 p.m.  
**Call to Order:** President Barb Turner  
**Invocation:** Sharon Crisel  
**Pledge of Allegiance:** Dave Shafer

**Roll Call:** Twenty-four officers and representatives answered roll call. One delegate arrived after roll call, John and Beverly Stuart. Total officers and representatives present - twenty five (25).

**Introduction of Guests:** Hardy and Judy Pottinger, Central District, Bob Pointer and Wanda Dean, Southwest District.

**Appointment Of Acting Parliamentarian:** Barb Turner appointed Jim Monroe as Parliamentarian for the day in place of Leland and Becky Browning who could not attend the meeting.

**Approval Minutes:** Jim Weber made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2002 meeting as corrected. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bob and Loretta Welch. Bob gave the report. Hometown Banking Beginning Balance 10/01/02 - \$11,636.87; Income - \$1,468.82; Expenses - \$3,716.49; Ending Balance 11/27/02 - \$9,389.20; Balance in CDs -\$17,000.00; Interest from Money Market Account - \$45.67. Total funds available -\$26,434.87.

## **Committee Reports**

**Boundaries and Relations:** Randy and Penny Pratt. No report.

**Constitution and Bylaws:** Barb Turner stated that voting on the proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws would be by written ballot. She appointed Floyd Herren (Chairman) and Mark Mortensen as the balloting committee.

The proposed changes to Article IV, Section 2 of the Constitution and Bylaws, which had been read at the October meeting of the Board of Directors and mailed to each board member were read for the purpose of voting on. Twenty-four members of the Board of Directors eligible to vote were present. For this proposed change to be accepted required a two-thirds majority vote. Two-thirds of the officers eligible to vote was sixteen. The proposed change failed to pass with 15 yeas and 10 nays.

The proposed changes to Article X, Appointive Committees, Section 1 of the Standing Rules were read and passed

The proposal to add Article X, Section 3 to the Standing Rules was passed.

A previously read proposal to add Section 2, to Article IX of the Constitution and Bylaws was read and voted on. The proposal passed.

**Membership:** Bob and Loretta Welch. There are 116 clubs and 4,598 members in Missouri. Central District - 11 clubs, 454 members; Northeast District - 10 clubs, 383 members; Northwest District - 21 clubs, 673 members; St. Louis District - 21 clubs, 978 members; Southeast District - 4 clubs, 91 members; Southwest District - 32 clubs, 1,408 members, and West Central District - 17 Clubs, 611 members. Each district is asked to provide a club roster of each club in their district. Dues have been received from all clubs in the Southwest District; 18 clubs in the Northwest District, 7 clubs in the Northeast District and dues are coming in from other districts as well.

**Promotions:** Jim and Edythe Weber. There have been eight more applications for the "Toot Your Horn Award." Applications for dangles have been received from Levis & Laces, Ozark Whirlers and Travelers from the Central District; Puxico Country Squares from the Southeast District; Solo Swingers from the Southwest District; Golden Valley Squares and Damsite Dancers from the West Central District; and the first club from the St. Louis District requesting a badge, the Jefferson County Squares. This makes a total of fourteen clubs qualifying for their badges or dangles. District presidents were reminded to encourage their clubs to participate. The information giving the criteria is in the Show-Me DOINs. Changes to the promotional trifold that list club contacts need to be in by December 15th.

**Site Screening:** Randy and Penny Pratt. No report.

**Publications:** Paul and Joan Critcher. A computer was purchased for \$650.00 for use of the DOINs Circulation Manager. The "My Mail List" software program was purchased for \$59.00. The total cost to set up the computer and software was \$709.00. \$91 of the \$800.00 allocated for the purchase is returned to the treasurer. Jim Weber donated a laser printer for the circulation manager to use. Ed Schofield suggested that a receipt for the fair market value of the printer be given to Jim and Edythe Weber for declaring as a charitable donation on their income taxes. Barb Turner asked the treasurer to look into possible tax exemptions that could be given by the Missouri Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs, Inc.

**Insurance:** Floyd and Carolyn Herren. Balance 10/01/02 - \$238.07; Income for October - \$835.90. Income for November - \$1,642.80. Expenses for October -\$804.70. Expenses for November - \$874.20. Ending Balance - \$1,037.87. Enrollment in Plan A - 427 members, 10 clubs. Enrollment in Plan B - 639 members, 16 clubs insured plus 2 minimum clubs with 28 members.

Districts can host their own district dances without sponsorship of the clubs, and still be covered by insurance. Those attending the state board meetings are covered by Plan A. Districts must provide the insurance coordinator with the date, place and time of the dance.

**Historian:** Ray and Vicky Wittman. No report. **BLUEBIRDS:** Judy Epperson. No report given.

**License Plates:** Balance brought forward - \$841.35; Income - \$75.00; Expenses - \$0; Balance on hand 12/09/02 - \$916.35. Doyle Collins explained that handicapped dancers can get square dancer license plates. Both the handicapped and the square dancer logos will be on the plates, but only four digits will be allowed. The Attorney General's Office does not give opinions to private organizations. The Missouri Department of Revenue stated that once the fees are collected, it is up to the organization as to what they do with the money. Jim Weber made a motion to allow the license plate coordinator to send each purchaser of the license plates, a \$10.00 rebate for each year that the square dance license plates are purchased.

**Member Services:** Bill and Carol Morris. Districts are waiting for their clubs to submit their receipts. All clubs are encouraged to use the funds that have been reserved for square dance promotions. Carol Morris reported that there was not much activity since the last meeting. The deadline for submitting request for reimbursement of promotional money is the February 2003 meeting.

## Doin's Report

**Editor:** Jim and Edythe Weber. The transition from Bob Welch has been very smooth. Edythe passed out two sheets, one for club representatives to submit newsletters on and a second form that clubs must submit with their calendar of events listed. District presidents were asked to be sure that all club representatives receive the new forms. Only one error in the December DOIN's has been found. The Mammoth Springers are listed on Wednesdays rather than Thursdays. Bob received three or four items and faxed them to us.

**Circulation:** Charles and Dorthy Ball. Beginning balance on hand 09/31/02: \$1,332.84. October income: \$1,747.21. October expenses - \$150.59. Funds transferred to the Federation Treasurer: \$1,000.00. Balance on

hand 10/31/02: \$1,929.46. November income: \$329.17. November expenses - \$50.00. Balance on hand 11/30/02: \$2,233.63. Check to the Missouri Federation: \$1,750.00. Ending Balance - \$483.63.

**Advertising:** Dave and Dee Shafer. Dave reported balance brought forward 10/21/02: \$100.00. Income during the period: \$2,176.50. Expenses: \$29.49. Check to Missouri Federation for \$2,147.01. Ending balance on December 08, 2002: \$100.00.

## Unfinished Business

**2002 State Festival:** Money is still being turned in for ribbons. Cleared over \$10,000.00 after expenses. The contract for the use of the high school was for \$2,100.00 for rental, but billed us only \$756.50. We are turning over to the Federation a check for \$9,000.00. The final report will be presented at the February meeting. The community was impressed and has added square dance lessons to the Liberty adult education program and will pay the caller fees.

**2003 State Festival:** Bob and Shirley Turner. Bob reported that flyers and registration forms are available. Hotel information has been added to the flyers. There are 186 preregistered dancers at this time. There are promotional items for sale. Packets will be passed out to the district presidents at the February meeting. A quilt may be added to the raffle or as a separate raffle item. Vendor rental rates and advertising rates in the book will stay the same.

**USDA Nomination:** Barb Turner announced that the USDA asked that Jim and Edythe Weber be nominated as Presidents of the USDA for the coming year. Floyd Herren made a motion to sponsor Jim and Edythe Weber for nomination to Presidents, USDA. Motion passed.

**USDA Report:** If elected as President of the USDA, Jim and Edythe Weber would be giving up the USDA positions of Director of Information, Education, and Editor of the USDA News. The next USDA meeting will be in mid-January in Washington, D.C. The USDA will be introducing through a congressman, a bill to make square dancing the National Folk Dance. There have not been many requests for the square dance promotional video. They are available for the asking.

## New Business

**Released Of Committees:** Barb Turner released all standing committees with the exception of the Boundaries and Relations Committee who are working a project.

**Audit Committee:** Barb Turner appointed David and Betty Mauzey, Donald and Judy Chase, Sheila Franklin, and Stephen Rowe to serve on the Audit Committee.

**Heart Of America Committee:** Barb Turner appointed a special committee to open up discussion with the Heart of America organization. Members are Dave and Barb Turner; Bill and Carol Morris; Jim and Edythe Weber, and Jim and Eloise Riley to serve on the Heart of America Committee.

**Nominations Committee:** The slate of nominated officers for 2003 are: President, Randy and Penny Pratt; First Vice President, Jim and Eloise Riley; Second Vice President, Jim and Edythe Weber; Third Vice President, Bob and Loretta Welch; Secretary, Dave and Dee Shafer, and Treasurer, J.W. and Jan England. Barb Turner asked for any further nominations for any of the positions. Mark Mortensen made a motion that nominations cease.

Randy Pratt made a motion to elect the slate of officers presented by the nominating committee by acclamation. Motion Passed.

Barb Turner introduced the 2003 officers.

**2003 Schedule Of State Board Meetings:** Randy Pratt announced the dates of the 2003 State Board Meetings. The following districts volunteered to host the State Meeting on the dates indicated.

February 16, 2003 - Southwest District, Northview Center, Springfield, Missouri

April 27, 2003 - Northeast District

June 08, 2003 - Central District

August 17, 2003 - St. Louis District

October 19, 2003 - Southeast District

December 14, 2003 - West Central District

## **Calendar Of Events**

**Next State Board Meeting:** February 16, 2003, will be hosted by the Southwest District, at the Northview Center in Springfield, Missouri at 1:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Jim Weber made a motion to adjourn at 3:27 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dave & Dee Shafer Secretaries  
Missouri Federation of Square & Round Dance Clubs Inc.