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

MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 14, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Turner at 12:30 PM in the North Kansas City Hospital Prairie Pavilion Room, 210 Hwy at Walker Rd., North Kansas City, Missouri, Northwest District.

Invocation: Bill Morris

Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag: Larry Crisel

Pledge of Allegiance to the Missouri flag: Bettyrae Fluke

Roll Call: Chuck Evans, there were 28 eligible voters.

Introduction and Welcome of Visitors and Guests: Bob Turner; Don Garber was introduced as a new delegate for the Southwest District

The Minutes of October 19, 2008 meeting: Motion by Mark Mortensen to approve minutes seconded and carried.

Treasurer Report: Winnie Weitkamp reported opening balance of \$4,932.44 with total income for October and November of \$2,024.44 with expenses of \$377.44 leaving a closing balance of \$6,745.44.

Membership: Winnie Weitkamp reported 98 clubs in Missouri with 3,608 club members. She also reported that Lost Creek Promenaders will receive their 25 year pin and accompanying letters of congratulation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit: Sheryl Schofield; the 2008 audit committee audited - Treasurer, Bluebird, 2007 Missouri State Festival, DOIN'S Advertising, DOIN'S Circulation, Insurance and License Plate. No problems were found. Committee members were Ed & Sheryl Schofield, Marvin and Bettyrae Fluke, Dave and Mary Lou Marti and Lois Shipley.

BOUNDARIES and RELATIONS: No Report

CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS: Eleanor Stover handed out copies of the revised constitution passed at October meeting.

PUBLICATION: Jim Weber handed out "Doin's Printing Cost" sheets, indicating the total cost for the Doin's, including postage was \$14,905.43. The total income for 2008 was \$12,239.24. The total subsidized by the Federation for 2008 was \$2,666.19.

DOIN'S EDITOR: Jim & Edythe reported that almost all clubs had turned Dance Schedules for 2009, Thank You. The JAN./FEB. issue will include the direction guide for all clubs submitted. They said they were searching for a new circulation manager. This person must have E-Mail, be computer literate and will be responsible for receiving and entering Doin's subscriptions into the database program. For full details on this position, contact Jim/ Edythe Weber or talk to Annette Thornhill. Webers will be doing the job until a volunteer is secured to fill this position.

DOIN'S CIRCULATION: Annette Thornhill reported Jan/Feb. issues mailed 509; Jan/Feb. paid subscriptions 484; Jan/Feb. Free 25; Subscriptions from this period 74 (59 from Festival); Total income this period \$1,933.00; Total Expenses this period \$38.60; Closed checking account and gave a check for \$2,531.33 to Federation Treasurer.

DOIN'S ADVERTISING : Dave Shafer. Balance brought forward \$100.00; Income for ads & listings \$1,106.00; Expenses (postage) \$5.00; Check to Federation Treas. \$1,001.00; Balance carried forward \$100.00

PROMOTIONS: Tony Ahart reported that he had only three applications for " Let's Toot Our Horn" promotion. He encouraged a greater participation.

STATE FESTIVAL SITE SCREENING: No Report

STATE FESTIVAL CALLER/CUER FOR 2012: Dave Shafer gave a signed contract for the featured caller, Tom Manning to be the featured caller for 2012. Dave said that only two replies had been received for featured cuers(Piggs and Tevlins) the committee recommended the Tevlins.

INSURANCE COORDINATOR: Dave Turner Reported. October 1, 2009 beginning balance \$454.42; October income \$97.75; October expenses \$300.76; November Income \$853.25; November expenses \$836.20; November 30 ending balance \$268.46.

MEMBER SERVICES: No Report

Travel Missouri: Ed Schofield reported

Total participating dancers 163. Total Missouri Festival Dangles 278. The number of dancers to have completed:

1st. set: 55

Numbers by District:

Central: 256 5 new signed up at the State festival

2nd set 37 Northeast: 199

3rd set 10 Northwest: 190

4th set 10 St Louis: 198

5th set 5 Southeast: 193

Southwest: 237

West Central: 219

BLUEBIRD: No Report

HISTORIAN: No Report

LICENSE PLATE: No Report

U.S.D.A.: Jim & Edythe Weber reported application for Youth Scholarship are due by February 1, 2009. This \$1,00.00 scholarship is for active youth Square Dancers who are either senior in high school or freshman in college. Information is on the USDA website (usda.org) click on the youth tab. Applications must be signed by the Missouri Federation President. The USDA winter meeting will be held January 2009 in Bloomington, Minnesota Remember to distribute the information on the discount prescription card, long-term care and online shopping mall.

A.R.T.S.: Jim & Edythe Weber thanked those who have been using the travel website and encouraged those who have not used it to check it out at arts-dancetravel.com. The next ARTS meeting will be February 2009 in Louisville, Kentucky. We will keep you posted, on the progress of the video and web project, as more information come available.

STATE FESTIVAL 2008: Annette Thornhill reported 517 people attended the 2008 Festival and a check for \$6,649.50 was given to the Federation Treasurer after all bill were paid. This number was after the \$2,500 start up money was repaid.

STATE FESTIVAL 2009: Robert Bradford reported their fist formal meeting of committees was to be held in January 2009. Edythe Weber designed the ribbon for the 2009 Festival. Motel and camping rates were not available until sometime in 2009, will be given as they are available.

YOUTH AD HOC: Sharon Crisel reported that there were 60 teachers at the workshop. There is a DVD available to help teach Square dancing. Sharon recommended continuing with AD-HOC Youth Committee.

PRESIDENTS COMMITTEE: Paula Bradford reported the proposed 2009 Federation meeting districts and dates; February 15, 2009 Central District; April 19, 2009 St Louis District; June 14, 2009 Southeast District; August 16, 2009 West Central District; October 18, 2009 Northwest District; December 13, 2009 Southwest District

AD-HOC BAGDGE: Tom Miller reported the committee had decided there are too many annual bars being bought and recommended just buying one at the beginning and the end.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bob Turner asked Barb Turner to give an update on the letter to the United States Surgeon General, asking Him/Her to endorse Square Dancing as a healthful form of exercise.

Barb suggested that we wait until the incoming administration appoints a Surgeon General and send the letter to the new appointee.

Motion by Dave Shafer to accept the proposed dates and districts for the 2009 meeting schedule

Motion was seconded and carried.

Motion from Ad Hoc Badge committee to leave the 2009 badge purchases as usual. No second required. Motion carried

Motion from 2012 Caller/Cuer committee to contact the Tevlins to be 2012 featured Cuers. No second required. Motion carried

Annette Thornhill reported on the complaints on the Super 8 Motel in Jefferson City. The BBB will only respond to individual complaints.

Bob Turner addressed the concern from last meeting about the lack of support given the featured caller at the 2008 Festival, saying the Federation could not tell people who they would dance with.

NEW BUSINESS:

Linda Evans read a letter addressing Square Dance Attire asking of more leniency be given to attract new dancers and keep them.

Bob Turner dismissed the 2008 committees and thanked them for their service. Bob also introduced the 2008 Audit committee with the chairman to be Mark Mortensen.

Dave Shafer read the recommendation from the nomination committee for 2009 Federation officers: President: John & Eleanor Stover; 1st Vice President: Don & Joann Miller; 2nd Vice President: Tom & Pat Miller; 3rd Vice President: Larry & Jan Anslinger; Secretary: Chuck & Linda Evans; Treasurer: Winnie Weitkamp & Darrel Gerster. Bob Turner asked for nominations from the floor, three times, none were made. Motion to elect by acclamation was made by Mark Mortensen Motion was seconded and carried

Eleanor Stover assumed the presidency for 2009 at this time.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

January 3, 2009 Northeast district, Little Dixie Squares to hold Tri-Club Dance in Moberly with Gary Mahnken calling.

Next Federation meeting will be held in the Central District on February 15, 2009.

February 1, 2009 St Louis district will hold their Sweetheart Dance with local callers/ cuers.

February 8, 2009 DOIN'S Benefit Dance in the Southwest District at the Northview Center

RECOGNITION OF HOST CLUB: Eleanor thanked the Lotawana Sailors Square dance club for preparing and serving lunch for the meeting.

Eleanor asked for support and any and all assistance for the coming year. Motion to adjourn by Mark Mortensen. Motion seconded and carried Meeting Adjourned at 1:15 pm

Respectfully submitted, Chuck and Linda Evans