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

**MINUTES FOR APRIL 18, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by President Joann Miller at 12 Noon at the Miller County Fairgrounds in Eldon, MO.

**Invocation:** Mark Mortensen

**Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag:** Eleanor Stover

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Missouri flag:** Dave Marti

**Roll Call:** Tony Ahart, 28 eligible votes, quorum achieved.

**Introduction and Welcoming of Visitors and Guests:** Joann Miller welcomed 7 guests.

**Minutes of February 21, 2010 meeting:** Minutes were approved as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** Carl Boone reporting. The beginning balance as of February 1, 2010, was \$19,884.61. Revenue received in February and March was \$4400.42. Expenses paid were \$3499.32. The balance as of March 31, 2010 was \$20,785.71. In addition there are two CD's totaling \$7,000. The report was filed for audit.

**Membership and Club Longevity:** At present, there are 86 clubs with dues paid and 3010 members of the Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs. Longevity awards for this period were passed out. Cross Trailers have been members for 60 years, Rafter Rockers for 55 years, Single Prommenaders and Kelly's Klassics for 30 years.

**Correspondence:** An invitation from the Missouri Veterans Home in Cameron, MO, to a reception honoring volunteers and donors was received.

Get Well cards were sent to Barb Turner, Juanita Boyles, and Sherryl Schofield. Sympathy cards were sent to the families of Harold Hailey and Brenda Halliburton.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Audit Committee:** Bob Turner reported that all accounts for 2009 were in order and accurate. He thanked the 2009 Audit Committee for its work.

**Budget Committee:** No report. Budget to be considered during Unfinished Business.

**Boundaries and Relations:** No Report

**Constitution and Bylaws:** No Report

**Publications:** Sharon White reporting. There were not enough responses to the survey about the contents of the Doins' to make any changes, but most people seemed satisfied with the magazine as it is.

Sharon presented a proposal for selling a jigsaw puzzle made from a picture of the Grand March at the State Festival to raise money for the Doin's.

**DOIN'S Editor:** Edythe Weber reporting. Edythe reminded us that May 25<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the July/August issue of the Doin's. Also all clubs that have a September to August year need to submit their full-year dance schedule by July 25<sup>th</sup>.

**DOIN'S Circulation:** Carol Morris reporting. The DOIN'S now has 51 free and 483 paid subscribers. Only 37 responses to renewal postcards, out of 95, have been received. Financial report: Balance from February 21, 2010, was \$100.00. Total income was \$1311.00, total expenses were \$28.00, total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$1,282.00. Balance as of April 18, 2010 was \$101.00.

**DOIN'S Advertising:** Dave Shafer reporting: Balance as of February 13, 2010, was \$280.00. From February 13, 2010, to April 18, 2010, total revenue was \$863.50, expenses were \$54.90, and total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$988.60. Balance as of April 18, 2010, was \$100.00.

**Promotion & Recruiting:** Marty Altman reporting. Thirty two active clubs have participated in the program since its inception in 1999. Twenty one clubs have completed the requirements for a "Let's Toot Our Horn Award" for 2009. Dangles and badges were given to the district presidents for distribution to the recipients in their districts.

Marty presented a Recruiting Manual, designed to help clubs get new members, with a request from the Promotions Committee that it be accepted by the Board of Directors. Since not all Board members have had a chance to see it, it will be reviewed and action will be taken at a later meeting.

**State Festival Site Screening:** No Report.

**Insurance Coordinator:** Dave Turner reporting. Balance as of February 1, 2010, was \$196.00. Income from February 1, 2010, through March 31, 2010, was \$1199.75. Expenses were \$1164.45. Balance as of March 31, 2010, was \$231.59.

Dave reminded us that in order to have insurance coverage for a special club event, we must notify the insurance company 40 to 45 days in advance.

**Member Services:** No report.

**Travel Missouri:** No report. Jan Anslinger stated that Schofields have requested that completed visitation cards for the Travel Missouri Program be mailed to them. They also thanked everyone for their cards and prayers.

**Blue Bird Coordinator:** No Report

**Historian:** No Report.

**License Plate:** J.W. England reporting. J. W. presented a check for \$150.00 to the Missouri Federation, leaving a balance of \$66.20 in the license plate account.

Barb Turner encouraged all of us to get "Square Dance" license plates as an effective means of advertising our activity.

**USDA:** Jim Weber reporting. The annual meeting will be held Wednesday, June 23, 2010, in Louisville, KY.

**ARTS:** Jim Weber reporting. The last meeting was March 28, 2010, in Detroit, MI. The web pages at You2can dance.com are being fine-tuned before going live. The next meeting will be Sunday following the National Convention in Louisville. Meetings are open to anyone to attend and find out more about the ARTS. If you would like to review any of the minutes from previous meetings, see the ARTS website at <http://www.arts-dance.org>.

**Ad Hoc State Festival Guidelines:** Bob Turner reporting. A survey about guidelines for the State Festival will be sent to all members via the e-mail tree. Members will have from May 1 to June 1, 2010, to respond.

**Ad Hoc – Youth and Children Dance:** Sharon Crisel reporting. Sharon Crisel and Dave Shafer have been invited to present a workshop again at the MOAHPERD convention at Lake of the Ozarks in November. Their evaluations from last year were great. They have received several reports of youth square dance classes being offered at schools and churches. If anyone knows of teachers in their local schools who are interested in teaching square dancing, let Dave or Sharon know, and they will send them a curriculum guide.

**District Presidents' Meeting Report:** Ron Selfors reporting. At their meeting a list of District dance dates through 2016 was handed out. The low number of preregistrations for the State Festival, and the results of the Doin's survey were discussed. Also, there was positive discussion about lessons and the large number of new students at some clubs.

**2010 State Festival:** Vicki Wittman reporting. The State Festival will be in Lebanon at the Kenneth E. Cowan Civic Center on October 15-17<sup>th</sup>. The committee has received only 85 registrations so far. In March they met with a representative of the Civic Center who took them to area businesses and hotels to get ads and contracts. Packets including flyers, registration forms, and raffle tickets, etc. were handed out to all district presidents.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Jim Weber moved to delete the \$1400.00 listed for Member Services from the proposed 2010 budget. Motion passed. Barb Turner moved to accept the budget as amended. Motion passed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame Committee chairman John & Eleanor Stover distributed ballots to elect the remaining four members of the committee. The results of the balloting were Marilyn Graham (Northeast District), Jim & Edythe Weber (Northwest District), Larry & Sharon Crisel (Southeast District), and Bill & Carol Morris (Southwest District).

Don & Joann Miller, Eleanor & John Stover, Bob & Shirley Turner, and Tony & Carolyn Ahart will be the delegates representing the Missouri Federation at the USDA meeting in Louisville in June. J.W. & Jan England will be alternates.

Dave & Dee Shafer will take care of the Showcase at the National Convention, and their registration fee will be paid by the Missouri Federation.

Sharon Crisel moved that Southeast District be given \$2500 for start-up fees for the State Festival in 2011. Motion passed.

Jim & Edythe Weber stated that they can no longer be treasurer for USDA, but would accept a nomination for secretary if no other nominations are made.

Secretary Tony Ahart presented a bid for envelopes with the Missouri Federation logo printed on them. The bid was \$113.94 plus the cost of ink for 500 envelopes. Several delegates said they would get additional bids by the next meeting.

President Joann Miller presented a plaque of appreciation to John & Eleanor Stover for their work as Missouri Federation president in 2009.

Sharon White presented a motion from the Publications committee to produce and sell a 750 piece jigsaw puzzle. After discussion, it was agreed that 1000 pieces would be better. Motion passed that a 1000 piece puzzle made from a picture of the Grand March at the State Festival would be sold for \$15.00. A minimum of 250 prepaid orders would be required. Order forms will be in the July/August Doin's and on the Missouri Federation Website. Proceeds will go to support the Doin's.

**Next Meeting:** Will be hosted by the Southeast District at the Odd Fellows Hall, 2200 W. Maude in Poplar Bluff at noon on Sunday, June 13, 2010.

### **RECOGNITION OF HOSTS**

Central District

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

May 15, 2010, Southwest District Dance in Springfield.

May 30, 2010, Chuck & Linda Evans 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance in Chesterfield.

June 12, 2010, Trail-Thru Dance at Franciscan Villa in Springfield, with Dale Dockery calling.

June 19, 2010, Trail-Thru Dance at Independence with pre-rounds and 3 callers for squares.

June 20, 2010, Trail-Thru Dance in Puxico with Kenny Bailey calling.

June 23-26, 2010, 59th National Square & Round Dance Convention, in Louisville, KY.

July 10, Southeast District Dance in Puxico.

July 24, Northwest District Dance in Independence.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:05 PM.**

Respectfully Submitted, Tony and Carolyn Ahart