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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.**

**MINUTES FOR October 13, 2013**

President Larry Anslinger called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon at the James L. Mathewson Center, Sate Fair Grounds, Sedalia, Missouri.

**Agenda Change:** There were no agenda changes.

**Invocation:** Mark Mortenser

**Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag:** Marilyn Graham

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**Roll Call:** Ron Selfors: Directors representing 29 voting positions present; full quorum achieved. A total of 47 directors were present.

**Introduction and Welcoming of Visitors and Guests:** Larry Anslinger welcomed visitors and guests.

A special guest was Mr. Steve Allison, State Fair Events Manager. He expressed the Fairgrounds appreciation for the Federation selecting the fairgrounds for the festival. He hoped all of the facilities and the service exceeded expectations. He noted that groups using the fairgrounds can receive compensation for many of their expenses because of the sales they generate in Sedalia.

Other special guests included Mike and Carol Richey and Marion and Diane Kinoke from the Fit and Fun Square Dance Association. The association was founded in Sep 2011 and currently includes many clubs in the greater Kansas City region. They are concerned with promoting the growth of square dancing. Their website is [www.FitandFunSDA.org](http://www.FitandFunSDA.org).

**Minutes of Aug 18, 2013 meeting:** The minutes with corrections were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Carl Boone reporting. The beginning checking account balance as of Aug 1, 2013 was \$13,670.36. Revenue received was \$1,488.35. Expenses paid were \$3,002.98. The checking account balance as of Sep 30, 2013 was \$12,155.73. There are three CD's totaling \$30,094.12. No change in CD's. Total funds on hand: \$42,249.85. The report was filed for audit.

**Membership and Club Longevity:** Carl Boone reporting. Dues have been received from 65 of 71 clubs on the rolls. 2,190 members are reported.

No new Longevity Awards were presented.

**Correspondence:** Ron Selfors reporting. No correspondence received.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Boundaries and Relations:** No report.

**Constitution and Bylaws:** Bob Turner reporting.

Bob led a discussion of the proposed William B. Morris Memorial Scholarship Program. One, non-renewable \$500 scholarship will be awarded for four years beginning in 2014. Any graduating high school senior or home-schooled senior residing in Missouri or an adjoining state may apply. Applications and supporting documents must be received by Mar 1 of the application year. Scholarship may be used at any accredited 2 or 4 year college, university, technical school or trade school. Bob presented a proposed addition to the Standing Rules and a draft application form and student rating form. The intent is to present the program for a vote in Dec.

Bob also led a discussion of caller/cuer longevity awards. The awards are intended to recognize callers and cuers for long service to square and round dancing beginning with 20 years of service and again one more time at or near retirement. Bob presented a proposed addition to the Standing Rules. The intent is to present the program for a vote in Dec.

**Publications:** Sharon White reporting. Over 200 dancers attended the DOINs Dance earlier today. There were 13 callers and over \$400 was raised for the DOINs.

**DOIN's Editor:** Edythe Weber reporting. All forms are available on the website ([www.SquareDanceMissouri.com](http://www.SquareDanceMissouri.com)). Click of Federation Information, then click on Show Me Doin's. The forms can be filled out and sent from the website. If you want to have the forms on your computer, please email me at [doins@kc.rr.com](mailto:doins@kc.rr.com) and I will send them to you.

Next publication deadline is Nov 25 for the Jan/Feb 2014 magazine. This is also the deadline for dance location listings. Please meet the deadline without having to be reminded. You can always send early.

**DOIN's Circulation:** Carol Morris reporting. Please encourage your dancers to subscribe or renew. Balance as of Aug 18, 2013, was \$100.00. From then through Oct 11, 2013, total revenue was \$375.00, expenses were none, and total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$375.00. Ending balance was \$100.00.

**DOIN's Advertising:** Dave Shafer reporting. Balance as of Aug 18, 2013, was \$100.00. From then through Oct 13, 2013, total revenue was \$743.00, expenses were \$5.60, and total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$637.40. Ending balance was \$100.00.

Another two puzzles were sold since the last report. 50 more puzzles need to be sold to break even.

**Promotion & Recruiting:** Ed Schofield reporting. The Dance Promotion Grant Program was discussed.

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

**Insurance Coordinator:** Jim Weber reporting. Balance as of Aug 18, 2013, was \$256.28. From then through Oct 13, 2013, total revenue was \$81.00, and expenses (to include payments to USDA) were \$247.80. Ending balance was \$89.48.

As of Aug 17, 2013, there are 1,730 dancers insured through the Mo Federation, and 480 insured through other organizations. Total insured dancers in Missouri are 2,210. Total clubs insured by the Federation are 52 in 2013. Another 13 clubs are insured by other sources. Total clubs in Federation are 65.

New insurance packages have been sent out and must be returned in November. Information and forms are available on the state website ([www.Forms.SquareDanceMissouri.com](http://www.Forms.SquareDanceMissouri.com))

**Travel Missouri:** Jim Marron reporting. As of Oct 10, 2013, 263 dancers have or are participating in the program. They have received 2,656 dangles. One dancer is working on his/her 11<sup>th</sup> set. Three dancers have their tenth set, and seven dancers have or are working their ninth set. Total income this year is \$6.00. Total expenses are \$2.34. Total account balance is \$52.98.

**Blue Bird Coordinator:** No report

**Webmaster:** No report

**Historian:** No report

**License Plate:** J.W. England reporting. Balance as of Jun 1, 2013, was \$131.70. From then through Oct 13, 2013, total revenue was \$775.00, expenses were \$310.00, and total disbursement to Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs was \$500.00. Ending balance was \$96.70.

J.W. announced that he and Jan are retiring from their position as License Plate Program Coordinator effective with this meeting. Larry Anslinger thanked them for their many years of service in this position.

**United Square Dancers of America (USDA):** Edythe Weber reporting. USDA had a full rack of its educational material at the festival. About half of it was taken by dancers. She hopes the dancers will find the material helpful.

**Alliance of Rounds, Traditional and Square Dancing (ARTS):** No report.

**District Presidents' Meeting Report:** Jan Anslinger reporting. The district presidents discussed when each district would host a Federation meeting in the coming year. The schedule will be finalized at the Dec meeting. Jim Weber also discussed insurance packets with them.

**Youth and Children Dance:** Sharon Crisel reporting. This year on Friday, Nov 15, the committee will again present a workshop on square dancing at the annual convention of the Missouri Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (MoHPERD). Gene Wilson, Dave and Dee Shafer, I and several other square dancers will present the program at the Lodge of the Four Seasons. DVDs and curriculum guides will be given to teachers or mailed to them. Please contact me if you wish to participate.

**2013 State Festival:** Ed Schofield reporting. The 2013 Festival, hosted by West Central District was a great success. Over 500 dancers participated. Financial results will be available at the Dec meeting.

**2014 State Festival:** John Stover reporting. The 2014 Festival will be hosted by Central District and will be at the Cowan Center, Lebanon, 17-19 Oct. Dean Dederman will be the featured caller. There are 80 dancers registered, and 72 shirts sold.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Square Dancer of the Year.** Jim Weber reporting. Charlie Worthington from NW District was selected as the Dancer of the Year.

**Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame.** Tony Ahart reporting. Doug Mallory, Central District, is the newest inductee to the Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame.

**Dance Promotions Grant Program.** Ed Schofield led a discussion of the need and procedures for a proposed Promotions Grant Program. As written, the program will:

- Allocate \$2,000 of the FY14 Federation budget to the program
- Invite clubs to submit requests for funding at any time
- Require the promotions committee to respond to the submitting clubs within two weeks
- Require the district presidents and promotions committee chair to report project status to the board at the bi-monthly meeting

As a result of discussion, a change was made to the resolution to require the club to inform the district president of project status prior to state meetings. With the change, Micky Lee moved that the resolution be adopted. It was seconded and approved. The approved resolution is attached. The program will not be incorporated into the standing rules until after the results of the first year are known.

**Missouri Bid for 2018 National Convention.** Carl and Cindy Boone reporting. It is unlikely that Bartle Hall in Kansas City will be available for 2018. However, they have agreed to support a backup bid. The Overland Park Convention Center in Kansas would be available, and the center staff seems eager to have the convention there. The bid (Bartle Hall or Overland Park) would be made in 2014 at the National Convention in Little Rock. The bid team is in the process of collecting letters of support from associations and clubs. Sample letters are available.

Cindy displayed a sample of the National Dress proposed for the 2018 convention. After discussion, Marie Selfors moved that the design be adopted as discussed. The motion was seconded and approved.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**New Officer Nominations.** Tony Ahart reporting. The Nominations Committee presented the following slate:

- President – Larry and Sharon Crisel (SE District)
- First Vice President – Carl and Cindy Boone (NW District)
- Second Vice President – George and Cleva Roth (NE District)
- Third Vice President – Dan Reedy (SW District)
- Secretary – Ron and Marie Selfors (Central District)
- Treasurer – Carl and Cindy Boone (NW District)

The slate will be voted on at the Dec meeting.

## **CLOSE**

Larry Anslinger recognized the West Central District hosts that provided the hearty lunch at the meeting and a great festival. Larry Anslinger recognized district members for their support as well as Subway, Panera's and the Sedalia Chamber of Commerce.

The next meeting will be hosted by the Northeast District on Sunday, Dec 8, 2013, at 12 noon, at the Brookfield Senior Center, 143 Clawson Drive, Brookfield, Missouri.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 pm.

Ron and Marie Selfors

Secretary

Encl: Approved Dance Promotions Grant Program

## **Resolution to Establish a Dance Promotions Grant Program**

WHEREAS, dancing in Missouri needs to be promoted at the local level if we are to retain or grow the number of dancers In the State; and

WHEREAS, it often takes funds to implement a successful dance promotion program; and

WHEREAS, it has been noted that some dance clubs in the Missouri Federation are not exactly financially affluent; and

WHEREAS, upon the last distribution of financial aid, the comment was made---"Now that we have some money, we can consider having a demo or dance lessons"; now be it

RESOLVED, that the Federation Board of Directors does hereby establish a Promotions Grant Program to provide funding to those clubs that require financial assistance to conduct dance demonstrations, dance lessons or other dance promotional events that are beyond their present financial capabilities; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Federation Board of Directors will initially allocate \$2,000 to the program in the FY14 budget; be it further

RESOLVED, that a club requesting a grant shall submit in writing a request for such funds; the grant request shall include the club name, amount of request, purpose, proposed budget (anticipated expenditures, anticipated other sources of funds, anticipated income from lesson fees), present status of club finances and a contact person; suggested form is attached; the grant will be directly submitted by the Club President by email to the Grant Committee Chair with copy furnished to the District President; be it further

RESOLVED, that grants will be for any amount; a club can receive one grant every 12 months (assuming there is an ongoing promotion grant program and a budgeted amount); if a particular idea is unsuccessful for a club, the next application should not be for the same idea; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Grant Committee shall respond to the grant request within two weeks of receipt of the request; financial need will be a factor in awarding grants; if approved, the Grant Committee Chair will inform the Club and District Presidents by email, and the State Treasurer will write and mail a check to the club for the full amount; if not approved, the Grant Committee Chair will inform the Club and District Presidents by email; be it further

RESOLVED, that the requesting club will determine how the funds will be used with the only guidance being that it is used for the promotion of dancing and be in accordance with the approved grant, and inform the District President of project status prior to State Federation meetings; be it further

RESOLVED, that the District President will be prepared to briefly update the Board about each active grant project in their district at each State meeting; the Grant Committee Chair will be prepared to briefly update the Board about the total program at each State meeting and share successful ideas with clubs; be it further

RESOLVED, that after conclusion of the grant event(s), a brief description and observation about the event(s) along with expenditure data and a refund any excess funding, will be presented to the Grant Committee; be it further

RESOLVED, that funds must be used within one year of approval; any funds remaining at that time must be returned to the State Treasurer by the Club; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Grant Committee shall consist of the Chairman and at least two members appointed by the State President; the Chairman will be the current Chairman of the Promotions Committee; be it further

RESOLVED, that the approved resolution will be submitted to the Constitution and By-laws Committee for incorporation into the Standing Rules after a one-year review.

Resolution adopted on Oct 13, 2013

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Ron and Marie Selfors  
Secretary