

NORTHWEST DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

October 26, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order 1:34 P.M.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Under New Business – “Appoint State Dance Chair for 2016.”

ROLL CALL: 10 member clubs present out of 16 member clubs

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 26 2014

Corrections:

- Page 1, General Reports, Correspondence: old address on Carolyn Goucher – Changed to: 1105 E 267th St Cleveland, MO 64734-9143. Changing new handbook to reflect this also.
- Page 2, State Meeting Reports, #5 – Changed to read: “National Convention is June 26-29.

Jim Weber made a motion to approve the minutes as changed, motion seconded and passed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Given by Jim Marron, the Wheelers are on a well deserved vacation. Treasurer’s report to be filed for audit.

GENERAL REPORTS:

Correspondence:

- Sympathy cards sent to: Stan Brooke, 2512 NW 80th Street, Kansas City, MO 64151-3756, for his brother; and to Tom Miller, 505 E Rankin Rd, Independence, MO 64055-1732, for his Mother.
- Get Well Cards sent to Warren Lugenbeel, 8508 Eastern, Kansas City, MO 64138 and to Peery Linsey, 16612 Middleton Ave, Belton, MO 64012-2240

District Presidents Report(s): Given by Carolyn Goucher

- List of Callers sent invitations will be passed on to next group having the Missouri State Festival in 2015.
- Northwest District will host the April 12, 2015 meeting of the Missouri State Federation. Carolyn Goucher will reserve the Prairie View Room for the meeting. Looking for two clubs: one to host the dance the Saturday before the meeting and another club to host the meeting. If your club is interested please let Carolyn or Fred know.

State Meeting Report(s): Given by Loretta and Jim Marron

August 17, 2014 at Webster Grove:

1. New club, The Starlite Twirlers (NWD).
2. 2,149 members are reported.
3. Longevity Awards were distributed for Kountry Kuzins (SWD), 45 years; and Travelers (CD) 50 years
4. Ed Schofield reporting. Districts need to promote Toot Your Horn. It's good for the clubs and good for square dancing
5. Jim Weber reporting. Since the June meeting, the Federation has added one club and 62 dancers. There are 1,746 dancers insured through the Mo Federation, and 486 insured through other organizations. Total insured dancers in Missouri are 2,232. Total number of clubs insured by the Federation is 65.
6. Insurance must be recorded by November 15 to receive club refund from the state federation.
7. State Fair had 8 callers and 200 people attend on Wednesday. Want to have a way to promote square dancing. Want to set up a Welcome Center at the Fair
8. Discussion on Festival callers being only Missouri callers. Some states invite callers from anywhere. They are not paid, but may call with the local callers.
9. Ed Schofield reported that there are three active grants.
 - a. The first is \$500 to the River City Squares in Lexington. Liz Rooks reported that they are providing lessons to 11 students. The grant is helping to pay for hall rent, flyers and ads.
 - b. The second is \$500 to the Kountry Kusins in Springfield. Sharon White reported that they have 12 students in lessons.
 - c. The third is \$315 to the Country Squares in Puxico. Bob Turner reported that the additional advertising helped recruit students. They spent \$200 and returned the rest.
10. Dan reports it is important to send in schedules and cancellations. Use his cell phone.

October 19, 2014 meeting held in Lebanon, MO

1. The meeting was called to order, attendance was taken, minutes of last meeting and treasurer's report was read and approved.

2. The treasurer need's the club start date for the following clubs. Single Promenaders (NW), Gateway Squares (STL), Twirl-A-Rounds & Tangle footers (SW).
3. A total of 493 Doin's were printed with 471 paid.
4. November 25, 2014 is the deadline for 2015 schedule, dance location, directions, cell phone number of contact & next issue article.
5. If you need to order the Doin's there is a form on web site.
6. The Sunday Doin's dance had 133 sign in, 13 callers. \$545 was collected.
7. It was reported that puzzle sales are in black but still have boxes to sell.
8. Site screening reported no site yet for 2016.
9. Insurance coordinator indicated we have 12 new dancers. Also November 15th is the deadline to apply for next year's insurance if you want it to start on January 1, 2015. If your club is having lessons that go into next year you need to submit a new insurance form. Also if any accident happens at your dance fill out a form even if they said they were OK in case they come back later with a claim. Sign in sheets are good record of who was there. Any club in State Federation regardless where they pay insurance can receive a \$35.00 rebate from state if both insurance and dues on record as being paid by November 15, 2014. Money will be sent to district to pay clubs.
10. Travel Missouri has 269 members who have received 2746 dangles.
11. Web Master asked you send in schedules as soon as possible so he can get them online. If you are cancelling a dance due to bad weather he suggest you text him his cell number is listed on cancellation page. Also if you are sending in flyers put date in lower right hand corner this is important if you make changes he will know which is latest.
12. USDA if you have a high school senior or college freshman who wants to apply for \$1000 scholarship, it must be completed and in by February 1, 2015.
13. District President's report set up meeting schedule for 2015 is Feb. (WC), April (NW), June (SW), Oct (NE) in Lebanon and Dec (SE). Also reported on WC and HOA Veterans dance for Warrensburg Veterans Home they had 119 dancers and collected \$1000
14. The \$500 Bill Morris scholarship applications are due by April 1, 2015. Application can be found online.

15. This year's state dance had 485 dancers
16. Caller Hall of Fame went to Gene Miller. Square Dancer of the Year went to Mary Sue Darwent.
17. Nominations for Federation Officers. Jan Anslinger proposed the following slate for 2015 Federation officers:

President:	Carl and Cindy Boone
First Vice President:	George and Cleva Roth
Second Vice President:	Dan Reedy
Third Vice President:	Ron and Marie Selfors
Secretary:	Ruth Ann Reynolds and Pat Hunt
Treasurer:	Toni Sharp

Elections will be held at the October Federation meeting.

18. Next State Board Meeting on Sunday, December 14, 2014 in Southwest District, after state festival.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT DANCE: Crosstrailers & Single Promenaders Hosted! Very successful... please thank hosting clubs when you see their members. Participating clubs are what make the success of the dance.

MISSOURI STATE FESTIVAL: OCTOBER 17-19, 2014, Lebanon, MO. Club

Was well attended, Caller Hall of Fame was Gene Miller and Square Dancer of the year was Mary Sue Darwin. Lots of good Missouri callers with Dean Dederman and John and Karen Herr, Cuer.

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee for election of officers of 2015 to be presented at the October meeting by Edythe Weber.

President	Fred and Carolyn Goucher
Vice President	Jack and Becky Rockaway
Secretary	Carol Hershey
Treasurer	Dan and Jean Wheeler
State Delegate	Jim and Loretta Marron
State Delegate	Frances Casteel
Alternate Delegate	Mary Pitts

A motion was made to accept the slate by acclamation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Announcement by Jim Weber: Clubs need to get paperwork in for membership and insurance to before November 13 to get \$35 back from State.

Membership Applications IN:

NOT IN:

BNR Squares
Crazy Eights
Crosstrailers
KC Plus
Knot So Squares
Lotawana Sailors
Rambler
Santa Fe Trailers
Savannah Sashayers
Single Promenaders
Shooting Stars
Starlite Twirlers
Swinging Singles

Membership App

Maysville Wranglers
Silver Dollar Squares
Two State Steppers

NEW BUSINESS:

Installation of 2015 Northwest District Officers

Appoint State Dance Chair for 2016.

1. Need to select location of the dance. Currently looking at Independence Convention Center, Liberty School and Marriott Downtown. The expense at the Marriott can be offset by room rental if dancers stay at the Marriott.

ADJOURNMENT Motion to adjourn meeting, seconded and passed.

2015 MEETINGS: Sunday, January 25; Sunday, April 26; NW DIST Dance July 25 with meeting; Sunday October 25.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Northwest District
Missouri Federation of Square and Round Dance

Treasurer's Report

Checking Account Balance as of July 25, 2014
\$3450.67

Income:

Club Dues	25.00
July Dance	
Dance Donations	745.00
Silent Auction	190.00
50/50	38.00
Change for Dance-Returned	325.00

Total Income **\$1323.00**

Expenses:

Change for Cance	325.00
Mileage	105.60
Donation for Hall	100.00
Supplies	49.73
Printing	43.79
Club Dues to MO Fed	10.00

Total Expenses **\$ 634.12**

Checking Account Balance as of October 20, 2014
\$4139.55

Treasurer's Report Submitted by

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