

NORTHWEST DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES
January 22, 2017
Corrected April 23, 2017

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order by President Fred Goucher at 1:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: 9 clubs out of 16 were represented.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS

Ann Grubbs was introduced and will represent Swingin' Singles.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 16 and July 23 minutes.

July Minutes has Agenda in the heading, the correction to Minutes was made. Jack Rockaway moved that both minutes be approved, motion was seconded and passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report was given by Dan Wheeler. They will be filled for audit. (Attachment #1)

GENERAL REPORTS:

Correspondence:

An email from Paula Bradford about the death of Bob was shared with the group. A motion was made by Randy Boyles to give \$100 to the American Liver Foundation in memory of Bob Bradford. The motion was seconded and passed. Jean Wheeler will handle this with a card and check.

State Meeting Report(s): Report submitted by Jim and Loretta Marron and read by Dan Wheeler.

1. The meeting was called to order, attendance taken and minutes of the last meeting and treasurer's report was read and approved.
2. The Treasurer, Rosa Davis reported:
 - a. 56 clubs have paid. Membership is down two clubs from last year.
 - b. A question about the State Federation tax free ID came up. Records indicate we are a 501-C7, Rosa has copies for those needing that information.
 - c. 5 clubs will receive longevity awards in 2017. The first in January will be the Puxico County Squares.
3. Ruth Ann Reynolds said a get-well card was being passed around to sign for Phyllis Brockhaus.
4. Carol Morris for publications said a survey was taken at the state dance in Independence, MO regarding the DOIN'S. There were 69 that responded giving the order of importance as 1) dance calendar, 2) club directory, 3) club articles, 4) location listing and 5) state festival information.

She also said they are looking at the Missouri program ads to make them smaller or every other issue.

5. Edythe Weber, DOIN'S editor stated next deadline is January 25, 2017, but get it in early as she will be out of town on that date.

6. Jim Weber for DOIN'S circulation stated 339 issues were sent out for Nov/Dec issue and there will be 353 for Jan/Feb issue. He said they were sending out 30 post cards to subscribers to renew their subscription. If the subscription is not renewed they will not get their Mar/Apr issue.
7. Dave Shafer for DOIN'S advertising reported income of \$614. No puzzle report as all puzzles are gone.
8. Jim Weber, Insurance Coordinator reported 1839 dancers were insured for 2016 from 58 clubs, so far 1592 dancers are insured for 2017 from 56 clubs. We have lost 2 clubs, the Zigzags and Jacks & Queens. 55 clubs will receive \$35 for having dues and insurance paid by November 1, 2016.
9. Jim Marron for Travel Missouri reported 2918 dangles given out so far.
10. Dan Wheeler, Webmaster, stated the Missouri state website is now www.SquareDanceMissouri.com. Tell your clubs to send in their schedule for 2017 so he can put it on the website. Snow is coming, please let your clubs know to text or call Dan on his cell phone (816.223.0803) so he can get it up on "Notices and Cancellation" page.
11. Dan Wheeler as Historian indicated that all the minutes he has are up on website if anything comes up in black instead of blue he did not have those minutes. Please see that he gets a copy if they are in black.
12. Edythe Weber stated she and Jim will be attending USDA meeting in January.
13. Liz Rooks for District Presidents reported state meetings for 2017: February 12 – West Central; April 9 – Northeast; June 4 – Southeast; August 13 – Southwest; October 22- St Louis in Lebanon and December – Central.
14. Bill Morris Scholarship for 2016 was awarded to Danielle Roberts, the 2017 deadline is March 1, 2017.
15. Vicki Wittman Festival Chairman announced that the 2017 State Festival will be held in Lebanon, MO, October 20-22, 2017. 5 Committee Chairmen are in place so far. \$1500 has been paid as partial payment for the Cowan Civic Center.
16. National Convention, Carl Boone stated that plans are in place for Pre-Convention March 2017. The Boone's have traveled to many state dances selling registrations. Edythe Weber said her club is doing 50/50 to raise money for the nation committee to use. She said others have many ways to donate. But most important is to get your club members to register now.
17. President George Roth passed the gavel on to the new President, Dan Reedy.
18. A motion was made and approved to close meeting.
19. Next state board meeting will be on February 12, 2017 in Sedalia, MO

OLD BUSINESS:

Culmination of 2016 Missouri State Festival held by the Northwest District. Carolyn Goucher needs all reports for the Missouri Festival. Everything is being closed out and if anything is still pending you need to contact Carolyn.

Carolyn Goucher gave the history of the 2016 Missouri Festival.

2016 History for the Festival

The State Officers elected for 2016 were: President, George and Cleva Roth (Macon); 1st Vice President, Dan Reedy (Springfield); 2nd Vice President, Ron and Marie

Selfors (Dixon); 3rd Vice President, Jack and Becky Rockaway (Kansas City); Secretary, Ruth Ann Reynolds and Pat Hunt (Raymore); Treasury, Rosa Davis (Nixa).

Show Me DOIN'S Editors, Jim and Edythe Weber (Liberty); Circulation, Jim and Edythe Weber, and Advertising, Dave Shafer (Dixon); Insurance, Jim Weber.

The 57th Annual Missouri State Dance was hosted by the Northwest District and held in Independence, Mo at the Truman High School on October 21-23, 2016. Eric Holms, School Activity director was a great host. The Chairman of the state dance was Fred and Carolyn Goucher (Cleveland). The featured caller was Deborah Carroll-Jones (Texas) and the featured cuers were Ruth Howell and John Farquhar (Wisconsin). Co-chairs were Jack and Becky Rockaway (Kansas City). The theme was "Live Lively Square Dance 2016" and the dance colors were turquoise and gray. The t-shirts, main stage backdrop and the beautiful festival booklet showed off the fun logo, ARTS new dancer design used as they coupled together dancing on a colorful record surrounded with an array of music notes.

Fred and Carolyn Goucher believe the total success for the dance was due to the dedicated committee members, the new email tree emails which helped the district presidents get the information to the dancers and callers, and the fantastic support of the state callers and cuers. Saturday evening ceremonies, Edythe Weber as MC, presented the chair for the Caller/Cuer Hall of Fame, Carl and Cindy Boone, to announce the 2016 recipients, Bob and Gerry Tevlin, cuers from House Springs, Mo. They cue for the River City Rounds.

The chair, Mary Sue Darwent, for the Square Dancer of the Year award announced the winners. Mo Federation presidents, George and Cleva Roth of Macon, became the very surprised 2016 award winners.

The usual weekend festivities were held – Caller/Cuer appreciation breakfast, workshops, vendors, great dancing (main, plus, DBD, and advanced square dance levels) along with fantastic round dancing (levels 1, 2), sewing and ARTS demonstrations, Last Square Standing, Sheridan's Frozen Custard, Booster club food, a fantastic fashion show, youth fun and real hospitality for all. Not to forget the beautiful quilt, the 50/50 raffle, ticket raffles and silent auction fun and funds. The banner displays and representation from other square dance organizations were displayed well. Thank you everyone for having fun, enjoying the work, friendship and camaraderie. Everyone did a SUPER job.

Some firsts; use of the Square reader for online and credit card registration for all areas of the dance. The ARTS dancers, and a fashion show presenting the presidents of each district for many new dancers understanding of the importance of the seven districts.

The Independence Tourism helped us get the dance location and ended up paying for the school rental and very helpful in so many ways for the success of this dance. Thank you Frank Buhro.

The ever-harmonizing casual DOIN'S Dance was held by the great 14 state callers Sunday morning. Thank you.

We now look forward to the 2017, 58th Missouri Federation Annual State Dance festival in Lebanon, Mo hosted by St Louis Metro district. Featured caller; Justin Russell and cuers; Tony and Carolyn Ahart. Theme: Dancing On A Cloud. Colors: Black and White.

Carolyn Goucher

Other Old Business _____

Fred Goucher has ordered the dangles for the officers.

NEW BUSINESS:

Edythe Weber asked that the Standing Rules and By-Laws be reviewed again this year.

ADJOURNMENT Jack Rockaway moved that the meeting adjourn, motion was seconded and passed . 2:36 pm.

2017 MEETINGS: April 23, July 22 (Saturday dance 22), October 15.

Respectfully submitted by:
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Northwest District
Missouri Federation of Square and Round Dance

Treasurer's Report

Balance on Oct 16, 2016 \$4786.91

Income:

Club Dues – 16 clubs 400.00
MO Federation Insurance Rebate 560.00

Total Income: \$960.00

Expenses:

Dues to MO Fed - 16 clubs 160.00
Mileage-Jack Rockaway 43.00
Mileage-Jim Marron 40.60
Checks 29.45
Insurance Rebates to Clubs 560.00
(not sent yet, but they will be Monday)

Total Expenses \$833.05

Balance on of Jan 22, 2017 \$4913.86

Treasurer's Report Submitted by

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