

Southwest District Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2019

Call to Order: The Southwest District meeting, held at the Schweitzer Brentwood Library, 2214 S. Brentwood Blvd, Springfield, Missouri, was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Co-President Carol Morris.

Invocation: Given by Mark Gentry.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited by all, led by Ann Cook.

Roll Call was taken. There were 5 Executive committee members present, including both Co-Presidents, and Delegates from 6 clubs, members included: 1 from Hi-Hashers, 1 from Kountry Kuzins, 3 from Trail Blazers, 2 from Twirl-A-Rounds, 4 from Twirling Funtimers, & 1 from Western Twirlers. A quorum was achieved to hold meeting. Quorum was achieved for any voting on Constitution/By-Laws.

Minutes: Minutes of the November 3, 2018 meeting had been distributed to board members 2 weeks following the last meeting via e-mail and hard copies. Carol Morris stands the Minutes for September 15, 2018 meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Read by Sharon Glenn. Copies of the financial report for the period of November 3, 2018 through December 31, 2018 were distributed. Beginning balance was \$5,160.43 with an ending balance of \$5,249.63. Expenses included to Ann Cook & Carol Morris \$20.00 each for reimbursement for Van Greenwood Memorial. Shirley Winans for stamps 13.00. Catherine Mclemore for district dozen dangles \$30.00. Income of \$120.00 for sale of Joyce Caswell clothing, return rental after mtg dance 11-3-18 of \$50.00. Interest of \$1.08 & \$1.12.

Carol Morris stands the report as written & to be audited by Mark Gentry.

Committee Reports:

Missouri Federation: Loretta Compton reported the State Meeting held in Chillicothe on December 9, 2018 had checking account balance \$3,632.9, Money Market account balance of \$10,208.02, total CDs is \$40,303.86 with total of \$54,144.77 reported by Treasurer Rosa Davis.

Doins Editor Edythe Weber reported that the next deadline for the articles is Jan 25. Please get the articles in before the date if possible.

Doins Circulation reported by Ruth Ann Reynolds total subscriptions is 304.

Insurance coordinator Jim Weber reported: 2018 MO dancers was 1,283, other dancers 335, to make a total of 1,618 total dancers and 49 clubs. 2019 MO dancers insured is 979, 254 insured by other associations, making a total of 1,233 dancers and 45 clubs. 2019 insurance forms will be going electronic. Each club will have a number assigned by the USDA to help with the insurance on the website.

2018 State Dance Festival report by Sharon Crisel: after \$2,500.00 check given back to Federation. A check for \$6,924.86 was given to the Federation for the profit of the 2018 State Festival. A total of 410 attended the festival.

2019 State Dance Festival by Loretta Compton; total of 84 have registered. T-shirt sales are going well.

Next meeting will be Feb 17 at the North Kansas City Hospital, 2790 Clay Edwards Drive, North Kansas City MO.

2019 State Festival: Report given by Catherine McLemore. Next meeting will be January 12 at Oasis Hotel & Convention Center. So far 90 dancers have pre-registered. Get your reservations in early. Still looking for a chairperson for the Vendors. Another apparel order will be placed this week.

2019 Treasurer report: Karen Ebert stated checking account balance is \$3,183.35.

Unfinished Business:

Memorials/Flowers: Carol Morris mentioned that nothing in writing for memorial/flowers for dancers or callers. Need to discuss how to define with future expense between past & current members. Needs added to Working Rules. Karen Ebert made a motion that district make a floral or monetary donation for a current elected official or caller/cuer. For present member's a letter of appreciation & sympathy. Aneita England 2nd. Voted & passed. Tony Ahart made a motion for donation amount not to exceed \$50.00. Darrel McLemore 2nd. Voted & passed.

Caller/Cuers 2019 District Dance: Gene Holtgrewe offered suggestions from the district callers/cuers. Such as starting dance earlier, no afternoon activities, preset fee amount that would be divided amount all that participate. Several past dances that included afternoon activities fee has been \$650.00. This is the only money making event for the district. 2018 attendance was low as well as silent auction & 50/50 income. Catherine McLemore stated the Current Constitution/By laws state district callers/cuers donate their time for festival. Carolyn Ahart suggested setting a certain amount to be used for either national caller or district callers/cuers. Sharon Glenn stated that for 2018 dance total caller/cuer fee was \$450.00. Carol Morris stated she had talked with Lynn Nelson on other matters & asked if she could be available & what price since Board would

make final decision. Lisa Corbitt suggested we consider Lynn Nelson & asked Carolyn Ahart if she would do rounds for same price. Lisa Corbitt made a motion for this coming year (2019) to book caller Lynn Nelson for \$125.00 & cuer Carolyn Ahart for \$125.00, charge \$9.00 per person. Carolyn Ahart 2nd motion. Voted & approved.

2019 Doin's Dance: Chairperson Lisa Corbitt stated there is a sign-up sheet for Chili & additional food. There will be local callers/cuers. Silent auction & 50/50 tickets. This is a fundraiser for the Show-Me Doin's magazine, admission by donation. To be held February 10, 2019 at Northview Center 301 East Talmage, Springfield MO.

2019 District Dance: Lisa Corbitt chairperson is planning an Ice Cream Social, if you would like to donate for decorations see Lisa Corbitt. Needing to make District Dance a special once a year party. For future district festival's need to consider changes to work with district or national callers, & activities to improve attendance. Add more details to Constitution/By Laws.

Budget of 2019 District Dance: Carol Morris mentioned decorations have been addressed in the above topics for the budget.

2018 District Dozen Recipient's: Catherine McLemore stated 9 people turned in cards for dangles, added Missouri State Fair dance to replace closing club.

Election of 2019 Officers: Bill Thomas re-stated present nominees are the present officers.

Karen Ebert made motion to accept nominations for officers for 2019 year by acclamation. Gene Holgrewe 2nd motion. Voted & approved.

Constitution & By-Laws: Carol Morris presented changes to Article III Membership Section 5 present changes of where & whom to send renewal form to. Tabled from previous meeting in September. Voted & approved.

New Business:

Ambassador of the year: Carol Morris asked for nominations for 4 members to be on committee for the Ambassador of the Year Award. Person with most votes is chairperson. Done by secret ballot. Peggy Gentry nominated Loretta Compton. Others nominated where Aneita England, Mark Gentry, & Bill Thomas. Chairperson is Loretta Compton.

District Meeting's Time Change: Carol Morris stated meeting time needs to be adjusted to allow for more discussions during meeting. Catherine McLemore made motion to start at 12:45pm. Lisa Corbitt 2nd. Voted & approved.

2019 5th Saturday Dances: Ann Cook would like volunteers to host for the 4 dance dates. Kountry Kuzins will host March 30, 2019. Will discuss other dates at future meetings. Will discuss how out of area clubs can host dance in Springfield.

2019 Festival on Website, National Squares: Carol Morris stated 2019 State Festival is working on a contest & would like all clubs to donate a free pass. Free pass would be for a regular club dance no national callers.

2019 Southwest District Club Membership: Shirley Winans stated the 2019 Directory with schedules are available. Emailed this week & have paper copies here at meeting. Did survey from rosters that were turned in with club dues in September. There are 289 members as of that date.

Announcements:

Today-Dance at O'Reilly Tefft Gym 3-5pm with Jay Wright, Kenton Sullivan & Carolyn Ahart.

Next Meeting: March 2, 2019 @ 12:45pm. Location – Schweitzer Brentwood Library, Springfield, MO.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. with no other discussions by Ann Cook.

Submitted by:

Shirley Winans, Secretary

January 8, 2019 received a letter from Carolyn Ahart withdrawing herself as cuer for the 2019 District Festival.

The next meeting of the Southwest District will be held on Saturday March 2, 2019 at 12:45 p.m. location Schweitzer Brentwood Library, 2214 S. Brentwood Blvd, Springfield, MO. PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE.