Southwest District Meeting Minutes May 14, 2022

<u>Call to Order:</u> The Southwest District meeting, held at the Marc in Mt Vernon, Missouri, was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by President Catherine McLemore.

Invocation: Given by Rosa Davis.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited by all, led by Gaylyn Crosby.

<u>Roll Call</u> was taken. There were 4 Executive committee members present, Presidents, and Delegates from 6 clubs, members included: 2 from Kountry Kuzins, 3 from Mo-Kan Squares, 1 from Tanglefooters, 2 from Trailblazers, 2 from Twirl-A-Rounds, & 3 from Twirling Funtimers. A quorum was achieved to hold meeting. Quorum was achieved for any voting on Constitution/By-Laws. Also included several guests.

<u>Minutes</u>: Minutes of the February 13, 2022 meeting minutes had been distributed to board members 2 weeks following the last meeting via e-mail and hard copies. Rosa Davis made motion to accept Minutes, 2nd by Gaylyn Crosby. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Reported by Sharon Glenn. Copies of the financial report for the period of February 13, 2022 through May 13, 2022 were distributed. Beginning balance was \$4,485.28 with an ending balance of \$4,196.37. Income included Doins Dance Deposit of \$689.97, returned over payment from Traditional Dance rebate of \$10.00, interest of \$.36, \$.37, \$.36. Disbursements of Rebates from 6 clubs \$25.00 each (Kountry Kuzins, MoKans, Western Twirlers, Twirl-A-Rounds, Tanglefooters, & Twirling Funtimers). Repay for rental of Event Center for Doins Dance to Catherine McLemore of \$200.00, Doins Magazine subscriptions of \$75.00 (\$15.00 each) for Kenton Sullivan, Ken Jarmin, Donna Gillenbeck, Jay Wright, & Carolyn Ahart. Twirling Funtimers requested subscription price for Marge Sherrill be given to club of \$15.00. Show Me doins check for (benefit) of \$399.97. City of Mt Vernon for rental of kitchen for District Dance \$50.00, City of Mt Vernon for cleaning deposit for District Dance at The Marc of \$100.00. Lee Gavitt made motion to accept report, 2nd by Anieta England. Motion passed. (Correction to be made on report of total deposit.)

Catherine McLemore asks report to be filed for audit by Mark Gentry.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Federation Meeting Report</u> given by Gaylynn Crosby. Reporting meeting was held April 3, 2022 in Springfield MO & by Zoom program. Treasurer Report from Rosa Davis shows Total Funds on hand of \$36,913.17 including CD's & interest. Reporting there are 44 clubs this year.

Longevity award is being awarded to MO-KAN Squares of Southwest District for 40 years in May.

Doins Editor Edythe Weber reminded everyone of the changes that started in January with the quarter schedule. Any updates please send in.

State Festival Site screening report by Merl Hall states that Northwest District has selected the Missouri State Fairgrounds for the 2023 State Festival.

Webmaster report by Dan Wheeler. Stated he has been updating the webpage. Clubs can add their newsletter to their page also. He is presently experimenting with QR codes for festival. They are the square doted box that you can scan with your smartphones & it will give you the schedule for the day.

2022 State Festival reported by Penny Byers. The 63rd Festival committee has been pressing forward. Will be going with the Mohler Hall and 2 classrooms for the weekend. Presently there are 111 registered, 13 callers, & 2 cuers. Host hotel is the Hampton Inn.

Continued more updates to the Standing Rules.

Next meeting will be July 17th in the area of St. Peters, Missouri, hosted by St. Louis District.

<u>Doin's Dance Update</u>: Chairperson Aneita England reported outcome of the Doins Dance held February 13, 2022. Held at Sertoma Event Center in Springfield with 50 dancers, 8 clubs represented, 4 Callers, 2 Cuers, & 7 Clubs unclaimed. Total Donation check given was \$399.97.

Unfinished Business:

Updates to Constitution and Working Rules: Anieta England passed out report of changes at the February meeting to be reviewed. Discussion resulted in to accept changes with exceptions of Articles 9 & 11. Proposed by Tony Ahart, 2nd by Tom England. Voted & approved. Articles 9 & 11 will be presented at September meeting to be reviewed with discussion to Vote.

New Business:

<u>Add for State Festival Program</u>. President Catherine McLemore suggest District do a Full Page ad. Motion made by Tony Ahart not to exceed \$100.00 for ad, 2nd by Rosa Davis.

<u>Slate of Officers for 2023</u>: Catherine McLemore reminds everyone that Slate of Officers are proposed at September meeting. Voting done at November meeting. Officially begin at end of November meeting. Gaylynn Crosby volunteered to present Officer nominations.

<u>Date for September Meeting</u>. President Catherine McLemore reminded everyone that 1st wknd in September is Labor Day wknd. Linda Peacy makes proposal to move meeting to September 10, 2nd by Catherine McLemore. Voted and approved.

<u>District Dance- Luau, Payments for Callers/Cuers</u>:

District Dance/Dinner to follow. President Catherine McLemore explained that a lot of District use a set theme for their Festival. Would we want to continue with the Laua theme? Will consider each year what Chairperson decides. Payment for caller (/cuers) is listed in meeting minutes (May 2020) as "caller(/cuers) to be paid a 50/50 split of the gate, be split after the expense of the hall rental be deducted". So far there are 70 people paid. Linda Peacy makes motion going forward (included this year) to take the gate & less expenses of hall be split between callers/cuers present. 2nd by Ann Cook. Voted & approved. To be added to the working rules.

Announcements:

<u>Mo Festival Memorial Recognition</u> update by Rosa Davis. State Festival will be honoring all Square & Round Dancers and Callers & Cuers who have passed away since July 2021. Please send or email your information to Rosa Davis by August 1, 2022.

Adjournment:

Rosa Davis makes a motion to adjourn meeting, 2 ¹¹⁰ by Sharon Glenn.
The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m. by Catherine McLemore with no other discussions

Submitted by:

Shirley Winans, Secretary

NEXT MEETING September 10, 2022at 1:00 p.m. at location to be announced.

WARNING: WAYS TO KILL A SQUARE DANCE CLUB (from March 1966)

#3 Ignore All Guests – You didn't invite them so why be nice to them?

#4 Dance Only With Your Own Clique – After all you are the only ones who know how to dance.