

OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLUBS
Minutes of State Meeting held January 31, 1982
Lane County Fair Grounds, Eugene, Oregon

The meeting was called to order by President Phil Rennick at 10:00 a.m. Flag Salute led by Second Vice President, Ken Moore. Invocation given by First Vice President, Vern Meyer.

Roll call of officers and delegates by LaRayne Harkins, Secretary. Following were absent: Past President, George Winterfeld; Education Chairman, Jimmy Carney; Goodwill Ambassadors - Wayne & Georgia Puckett; George & Bernice Gruchalla; Jim & Helen Cockrane; Bud & Shirley Parrott.

A motion was made by First Vice President, Vern Meyer to dispense with reading of the minutes of last meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurer's report by Ed Warmoth, a copy attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. A new printing-type calculator was purchased out of the general fund. This will be passed down to each new treasurer.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

First Vice President Vern Meyer - Has a few more directories if anyone needs more.

Second Vice President Ken Moore - Asked all delegates to go back to their areas and impress upon them to get nominating committees started early so that the information will get back for the directory, as July 1st is the deadline. Asked for input on the format of the Washington Directory, how many have seen it and like the way it is put together? Please let him know before July if you have any suggestions for possible changes in the directory.

Recording Secretary LaRayne Harkins - No report

Corresponding Secretary Virginia Walz - Has State stationary if anyone needs it. Ballets will be out to the clubs before too long for new state officers for next year. Please get them back to her as soon as possible.

Membership Chairman Duane Handyside - Inquiring if Swinging Mountaineers of Sisters is a member of the Central Oregon Council. Has not received their money yet.

Parliamentarian Buddy Randall - No report

Financial Advisor Jean Brigl - Would like committee reports for budgets for 1982-83. These are to be ready for approval at the May meeting. If any delegates have anything special in mind coming up let her know. Had 58 Campfire Girls helping with the child care at the Mid-Winter Festival.

Ed Warmoth stated that on current books and Jean's knowledge, they will look at the history of past expenditures and will be able to forecast future budget items. The report in May will be built on what has been done in the past. Budget items can then be reviewed from May meeting to Summer Festival, at which time the board will be called upon to adopt the budget for the New Year.

State Reporter Bill Baisch - Received a letter from the Nationals. They have about 7,000 registered, which is behind last years figures. There are only 15 pre-registered from Oregon.

State Historian Jack Williams - No report

Education Chairman, Jean Brigl - reporting - Printed 50 copies of the Legacy so there would be a few left over. Anyone can purchase one for \$1.50 per copy. Each delegate given a packet containing information on education regarding teaching labs, organizing groups, etc. There are two brochures in each packet, one for the delegate and one for the area president. Please pass the delegates copy on to the next delegate and presidents copy on to the next president. Talked last time about getting reference material for a library, there is nothing within the state, nothing from American Square-dance, although they offered to sell us some books and pamphlets. Sets-in-Order offered one of each item in their library of things that they sell. Audio-visual display with Ben Shaffers films will be used at the Summer Festival in Grants Pass.

OFN Donna Scott - Stressed how important it is to get subscriptions by the 10th of the month. Check with your post office if you don't get your OFN on time. Taking four days for mail to get to them, if ads aren't in by the 15th, they can't do anything about it as they have a deadline.

DELEGATES REPORTS:

Central: Francis Bortner - Along with Bend, Redmond and Prineville have good classes which started earlier this month. Sage Brush Shufflers of Prineville had their annual New Years Eve Dance with Marty Firstenberg as caller. Slick Fox has approximately 50 couples in round dance workshop. The area's plans for a festival in August are moving ahead. We will pick up the plywood next week for the floor. Slick Fox will be featured caller and Larry & Rosemary Wheller from Medford, will cue the rounds. Everyone is invited to come over and have a good time.

Eastern Oregon: George Griffith - Square Knots have 30 new members taking lessons. Pendleton Rockets have 12 squares of new dancers. Grande Squares have 14 new dancers, which doubles the size of the club. Took some of the new dancers to Gordon Suttons dance in Kenawick, WA.

Emerald Empire: Larry Lauderdale, Substituting - Commended Henry Rust, Central Chairman for Mid-Winter Festival, for a job well done. Started the idea of new dancers going to other clubs to dance. Is a good way to have your new dancers become square dancers. Showed the group a full page article on square dancing in the local Eugene Register Guard, including a color photo.

Interstate Highlanders: Don Crawford, Substituting - Have been square and round dancing between snow storms.

Linclon-Tillamook: Russ Huffman - Both clubs have a class of new dancers. The Tillamook Wagoneers had a late start with their class because of illness of their caller. One of the clubs in our area would like to see more rounds of the month selected that has cueing on the record. Both clubs had a very good attendance at the Mid-Winter Festival.

Mid-Willamette: Floyd Carson - The area has about eight more New Dancers Dances on schedule. Will be holding our New Dancers Jamboree at the Armory in Salem on Sunday March 28th from 2 to 5 p.m. at \$3.00 per couple. The first New Dancers Dance for the area had a crowd of 54 squares. The City of Corvallis will be celebrating its 125th Birthday this summer, with Philomath celebrating its 100th. The clubs in the Corvallis area are working with the Chamber of Commerce to put on a square dance. Mid-Willamette area will be picking the round of the month for June.

Portland: Genevieve Churchill - The area has many New Dancers Jamborees which have been well attended. The P.A.C. Delegates meetings have not been too successful. A new approach is needed. It would be good to change our State Directories but include the calendar, done similar to Washington's Directory. There are many round dance classes and workshops in the area.

Rogue-Sis-Q: Frank Young - Had their Mid-Way New Dancers Dance which was very successful with 30 squares present. Have a New Dancers Dance every week in the area. Preparing for the Summer Festival and hope all will be there.

South Coast: Kathy Ash - The Skyloft Squares of Coos Bay have something going at their hall every night. Saints and Aints have a large square dance class and have started Plus 1 & 2 on the 4th Fridays. Sets-In-Order of Coquille have Al McCoy teaching classes with Dale Roberson and guest callers at the club dances. Port Orford Beachcombers are having a benefit dance to repair their roof on Sunday February 14th. Brookings sent out invitations to jamboree callers for the Azalea Festival. Crescent City Timber Twirlers have been planning lots of new and different dances with guest callers. New Years Eve Dance was at the Skyloft with Timber Twirlers, all new dancers were invited.

Sunset: Del Niemi - The Astoria Hayshakers and Clatskanie Promenaders will be co-sponsoring a Fairview Benefit Dance at the Wickiup Grange in Knappa on Friday April 2nd. Ed Weber and Harvey Hunsucker will be sharing the calling. The grange is located about 15 miles east of Astoria on Highway 30. Several couples hope to be able to attend the Fairview Dance on Sunday April 4th.

Three Valley: Joan Cress, Substituting - All clubs are having square and round dance lessons. Most have lessons lasting through June. Are also having Plus 1 & 2 dances one Friday a month. Have been getting good participation and more enthusiastic dancers this way.

Tualatin Valley: Cliff Robinson - Introduced their T.V.C. President Bill and Dee Cook. Holding New Dancers Jamborees on regular club dance night, resulting in packed halls. Our publicity has a chairman to co-ordinate all summer activities to promote square dancing. This will carry over to the incoming officers. Working on forming a new singles club in the area. Would like to have dances added to calendar. Wonder what other areas think of State Callers verses Traveling Callers at our Summer Festivals.

President Phil asked all delegates to take back to their areas the question of State Callers verses Traveling Callers and bring back some feedback from your areas at next meeting.

Umpqua: Wes Hammack - All clubs in area are having active beginners classes. The Timber 8's and Tri-N-Squares are holding Plus 1 & 2 workshops with the Timber 8's holding A1 and A2 workshops. Area council is sponsoring Beginner's Dances for the four clubs in area on one Sunday afternoon each month with each club hosting a dance. February 14th is the date for the area's Fairview Benefit Dance, at the Roseburg Buckeroo Barn, with all clubs participating and jamboree callers. Caller Dale Roberson and some Buckeroo members are leading a group of 18 square dancers on a Caribbean Cruise. Will be dancing onboard ship and on the pier at San Juan with the San Juan Squares. Dave and Bonnie Harry have contracted to call the Douglas County Fair Dance this summer. Dancing will be on a wood floor built and maintained by local clubs under the guidance of the Umpqua Area Council Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1982 Mid-Winter Festival - Henry Rust, Chairman - Had a great committee to work with on the festival. Festival was a financial success. Leon and Pat Houle' are chairman for the 1983 Festival and Jim & Boots Floyd for the 84' Festival. There were 3,000 plus dancers at the festival, setting an all time record.

1982 Fairview Dance - Lucille Barnes - Handed out flyers to all officers and delegates. Was a nice article in the Salem newspaper telling what the building will be used for, etc. Have permission from the Legislature to build this building. There are no state funds available. Two callers needed to be replaced due to caller lab in Reno. New list of callers on the flyers.

1982 Summer Festival - Frank Young - Plans going well. Square dancing has to stand on its own two legs, so need people to pre-register. Asking each area to promote the festival in their own areas. Have 50 pre-registered. Approximately \$2,300.00 was cost for wood floor, which will be re-sold back at about half price.

State Fair Dance - Harold Bressler - Dick and Winnie Lofton will be co-chairman this year.

GOODWILL AMBASSADORS:

Russell & Emma Huffman - Their feeling from traveling around the state is dances and festivals are getting better all the time. Find a little lack of communication between callers, officers and clubs. Feels information in Legacy might be helpful in this area.

Vern & Ruth McKnight - Reported that Bernice Gruchalla fell and broke her heel.

Ed & Mary Warmoth - Oregon Square Dancers group with Bill and Barbara Radcliff as chairman will be going to Australia, New Zealand and Fiji Islands around Labor day 1983. Would like to hear from anyone interested in going with the group. Pleased to have a write-up about the International acitivity at the Nationals in the Sets-In-Order Magazine. Had a fine time at the Indian Summer Festival in Asotria.

Al & Caddie Boyer - Have been to Santa Rosa and Fort Bragg and done some traveling around the state.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) President Phil hasn't received any letters from anyone regarding new business. He handed out questionnaires to all the delegates to take back to their areas and give to each club. Have each club fill out the information and return these questionnaires to the May meeting. This information is for the State Fair Board with approximate date square dance lessons start.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) President Phil presented a proposal from the ORTA through Bud Parrott at the officers meeting prior to state meeting. They are applying for application to the State as an area. This will be presented at the May meeting.

2) Directories - Larry Lauderdale made a motion to revamp the directory and have in alphabetical order the name of the town where dance held 1st then the area. Motion seconded by Don Crawford. Motion carried. On membership forms for each club, add a space for level of club dance before handing in to the area secretaries. Where form says "other information" add if a square or round dance club.

3) Francis Bortner thought it would be better to put name of the town instead of the name of the club on State Badges. Also on the PAD bar, there should be periods between letters on it. Stated that the music at dances is very loud, suggest they try to get callers to turn it down.

4) Summer Festival 83' - South Coast not too interested. President Phil asked Kathy Ash to check with South Coast and let him know by next meeting if they want to have the festival. Was some discussion about some guidelines and a festival committee for prospective areas who host the festival. First Vice President co-ordinates the summer festival.

5) Nominating Committee - Those nominated for the coming year are:

PRESIDENT - Vern Meyer, TVC
Jack Williams, Central

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT - Ken Moore, Sunset
Buzz Carrier, PAC

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT - Orville Dyer, Emerald
Art Faust, Sunset

TREASURER - Ed Warmoth, TVC
Dale Skewis, Mid-Willamette

RECORDING SECRETARY - LaRayne Harkins, Mid-Willamette
Caroline Stevens, PAC

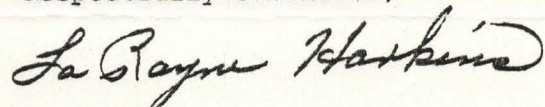
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY - Janet Pederson, Mid-Willamette
Rose Mary Wells, TVA

MEMBERSHIP - Floyd Bard, Emerald
Tim Domine, PAC

Meeting adjourned, 11:55.

Next meeting - Cimarron Restaurant, Klamath Falls - May 16th.

Respectfully submitted,



LaRayne Harkins, Secretary