

OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLUBS
Minutes of State Meeting held October 31, 1982
Corvallis Elks Hall, Corvallis, Oregon

The meeting was called to order by President, Vern Meyer at 10:07 a.m. Invocation was given by First Vice-President, Ken Moore. The Flag Salute was led by Second Vice-President, Orval Dyer.

Roll call of officers and delegates by Recording Secretary, Glen Carrier. The following were absent; Past President, Phil & Jo Rennick; Three Valley Area Delegate, Duane Handyside; 1982 Summer Festival Chrmn. Frank Young; 1983 Fairview Chrmn. George Winterfeld; Goodwill Ambassadors, George & Bernice Gruchalla, Al & Caddie Boyer, Jim & Helen Cockrane,; Round Dance Coordinator, Bud Parrot.

Motion was made by First Vice President, Ken Moore, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurer's report by Ed Warmoth, a copy attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. Ed suggested that the Oregon Federation consider putting their monies into the new Benjamin Franklin "Sweep Account" or some such similiar account so that all the money is centralized. This type of account pays 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ % on the first \$1500. to \$2000. and the current market rate on the amount over that, with full check writing privileges. A check was received today from the 1982 Summer Festival Committee in the amount of \$1970.53, which will be added to the treasury.

OFFICER REPORTS:

First Vice President, Ken Moore -Reported that all the directories have been distributed and that he should have the final accounting shortly. He hopes to work with the Oregon Federation News Committee to work with the Editors to make changes and improvements needed and then submitted to the board for approval. Festival Committee needs to be re-activated. This Committee will consist of the First Vice President, Past President and two past Summer Festival Chrmn. We really need to get this committee working again. We have no one to host the Summer Festival '84 and a very small maybe for Summer '85 Festival.

Second Vice President, Orval Dyer -No report at this time.

Recording Secretary, Glen Carrier -Thanked all those who handed in written reports. Since we neglected to push all the right buttons on the tape recorder, we did not have any help there and those written reports were really appreciated. We hope that you will continue to hand those in. Address & phone number, which please add to your roster in directory; Glen & Buzz Carrier, 13435 S.W. Beef Bend Rd. Tigard, Oregon 97223, Phone 639-1295.

Corresponding Secretary, Janet Pederson - Reported on letter she had written to the OFN Editors regarding a question at last meeting by P.A.C. President, Bill Bradshaw as to having to pay for an ad in the OFN with an incorrect date. Rosemary Crawford, Co-Editor, replied that they do give credit for incorrect ads rather than return cash. It is difficult to refund money as this all goes through the Federation Treasurer and is a long procedure. If Bill Bradshaw would write or phone stating the problem they would be glad to check it. Janet has forwarded a copy of Rosemary's letter to Bill Bradshaw. She has also sent in application and money for an affiliate membership in Legacy and received thanks and reply. This membership is for one year and must be renewed for two years next May. She also has State Federation stationery and envelopes available.

Membership Chairman, Floyd Bard -Reported two new clubs formed in the Mid-Willamette Area which are, as yet, unofficial. They are the Englewood Twirlers of Salem and Golden Squares of Woodburn. Floyd presented directory information for correction for the Lincoln-Tillamook Area Council. That information is listed at the end of

these minutes. Please correct your directories accordingly. He would like to find some more efficient means of getting directory information and applications to him in an accurate and timely fashion. To accomplish this, he proposes to send out an "Oregon Federation Membership Packet" to all area presidents, which would contain; Procedures for new clubs, Procedures for renewing clubs, Procedures for presenting directory information for areas and clubs. This packet also to include an OFS&RDC application and directory information form, an insurance pamphlet or info, copy of current OFS&RDC Constitution and By-Laws, a schedule of due dates for the '82-'83 year and address and phone number of Membership Chrmn., so that all the info can be received promptly and correctly and forwarded to the Second Vice President to make new directories as accurate as possible. He is also doing an audit which would be entirely separate from directtory info and would like a list of all clubs by Area, including the number of dancers (individuals - Not couples) and the number of new dancers in their classes (if available). He would also like names of clubs not now members of OFS&RDC, so that he can inform them of its purpose and benefits and in this way, perhaps increase membership in OFS&RDC. He would also like to know number of new dancers in classes if they have started. Floyd hopes to have this infoby the first week of December so that OFN Editors can get the info listed in the January issue of OFN. He also requests permission to get a printing of OFS&RDC application forms.

Parliamentarian, Buddy Randall - No report at this time.

Financial Advisor, Jean Brigl - Restated the necessity of getting the Summer Festival report and money in by September 1st, in order to complete the books by the end of the fiscal year and to indicate a more even cash flow for IRS purposes.

State Reporter and Publicity, Jack Williams - Reported that Dorothy Murray had a heart attack about three weeks ago but is now home from the hospital and id doing well. Her attitude is cheerful and optimistic. Jack is compiling a list of major festivals and will get it in to "Oregon Events" for publication. Also hopes to get some good publicity our regarding the many good things square dancers have done for Fairview.

State Historian, Joanne Belt - No report at this time but she wishes to thank Jack & Rosemary Williams for doing such a good job of keeping the history books up-dated.

Education Chairman, Jimmy Carney - No progress on special project for the instructions to establish IRS exemptions and Oregon non-profit status. All area delegates please report to me by mail if you have any groups (elderlyor youth groups) that would qualify for special grants to finance square dance classes. Groups that are financially unable to obtain these classes on their own and whether your Area Council can provide matching funds. We may be able to help get something organized along this line. I will be sending out a form letter soon to all past and present officers asking them to list all of their official duties as best they can and from this information I will try to compile a job description for each of the incoming officers and appointees. He has copies of the Nov, issue of Sets in Order to distribute and would encourage subscriptions. Also has available copies of Legacy Leadership Manuals and sheets of Psychology of Leadership and Why Do We Lose Squaredancers? Update on the National Folk Dance bill. There is a committee bill in Congress to make this a permanent folk dance as of January 1, 1984. We may all have to work on this by contacting our Congressmen.

Oregon Federation News Editor, Rosemary Crawford - Has lots of OFN's to give away. Please take and hand out to your new dancers. She apologized for problems with the "Where 'n When". They have never received an official list of those clubs who have paid for their spot in "Where 'n When". Hope all will be corrected in January issue of the OFN. Reported on mistakes re; ads. The editors find that often the mistake is made in the original ad rather than at the printers. If this is the case, they send a copy of the original back to the advertiser to reinforce the fact of where the error originates. Please keep your addresses up-dated because we often get magazines back

because of wrong addresses. Post Office Dept. will not forwarded. Let us know your address too, if you are "Snowbirds" and we'll see that it gets to you. We will be glad to publish additional articles submitted by dancers, callers, etc., since the magazine is now doing well and we can add a few pages.

DELEGATES REPORTS

Central Oregon: Bill Welsh - We have five clubs in the area. Red Rock Squares are back on full schedule after September visitations, starting with plus workshops a half hour before the regular dances. Bachelor Beauts are busy with regular beginners brush-ups, and a new plus class starting the first Sunday in November. Sisters Moutaineers are busy with their beginners. Sagebrush Shufflers held their annual "nite owl" dance. Madras Sagehoppers had a great Harvest Hoedown.

Eastern Oregon: George Griffith - Rocket Squares danced in the Pendleton Round-up parade, and did a lot of exhibition dancing in street during round-up. They held their annual Round-Up Dance with 20 squares attending and Darrell Clendenin calling. They are having round dance classes with 10 beginner couples and 8 couples in the advanced classes. Lessons will start in January. Rocket Squares held a dance with Rick Ewing calling a plus workshop from 3 to 5 in the afternoon and again from 7 to 8 in the evening with mainstream starting at 8:00 p.m. The dance was well attended-very successful. Square Knots have 8 squares of new dancers. They feel that they gained many new dancers because of a lot of exhibition dancing and getting the audience to participate. They are presenting a skit at the Council meetings to help increase interest in those meetings. Grande Squares are now holding lessons and have 4 squares. We exchanged dances with our Sister club, Grand Squares in Olympia, Wash. They host us in their homes and really show us a good time. Next year it will be our turn to host them. A suggestion for other clubs who might have same name clubs in other part of the State or in Wash. We have been asked lately about the purpose of the Oregon Federation. Would like to know in order to give out this info to clubs. (This info will go out in Floyd Bard's proposed packet as previously stated). We need more interest in our State meetings and a reminder that all dancers are welcome to attend these meetings.

Emerald Empire; Jim Floyd - Most clubs in the area have good classes of new dancers. Area New Dancers Jamboree will be held Nov. 27th at Prairie Hall and then the new dancers will start attending weekly dances, hosted by a different club each week. Some clubs in our area are having problems recruiting new dancers.

Interstate Highlanders: Bill Deasy - Beginners classes are well under way at two area clubs and one non-member group. Once a month there is a plus dance in our own area and many dancers are enthusiastic about them. The K.C. Squares Annual Potato Festival was very successful, a large crowd in attendance, visitors from several states and one couple from Australia who are still searching for their traveling Daisy Chain Doll. Our Area 5th Sat. dance and meeting was held last night. The caller was Bob Stutevoss from Portland and we regret not being able to attend and hear him. for the first time.

Lincoln-Tillamook: Russell Huffman - The Toledo 49ers hosted an Area meeting and dance last night at Toledo High School. The Tillamook Wagoneers served their annual "Hunter's Breakfast", Oct. 2 and it was a financial success. Club Caller, John Winfrey is still awaiting surgery. The new area club, Buoy and Gulls, are dancing at the Logs in Lincoln City, the 2nd and 4th Friday each month. They have filed application for membership with the Oregon Federation. Buoy & Gulls and Toledo 49ers participated in a joint demonstration and audience participation square dance at Salishan as guests of Albertson's Stores. Keith Reichert of Buoy and Gulls was caller for the evening. Toledo 49ers danced in the parade on a float at Newport Centennial Anniversary observance last weekend.

Mid-Willamette: Floyd Carson - We would like to thank all of the officers and delegates from other areas for coming to help us celebrate our Fall Festival and we most certainly hope that you had an enjoyable time. I would like to apologize to those areas who also had dances and festivals planned for this weekend for having scheduled the State Meeting at this time but it is almost impossible to have a schedule that does not interfere with some other planned activities. The Mid-Willamette area has made up a calendar showing all dances held on each date in our area. We are hopeful that this will help to avoid too many duplications. We also have a schedule made up for our new dancer dances so that our new dancers can be kept busy and get the experience of dancing to different callers. We are hopeful that this will enable us to keep our new dancers. As was reported earlier we have two new clubs in the area.

Portland Area: Genevieve Churchill - Thanks to the Mid-Willamette area for a splendid weekend. New Dancers Jamborees in the area are; Nov. 21, 1 to 4 p.m., Square Dance Center, with Gordon Sutton calling; Dec. 3, Whirl-a-ways, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple, S.E. 64th & Foster; Dec. 4, Wy'East Whirlers, 8:30 to 12 p.m., Rockford Grange, Hood River; Dec. 5, B & B's, 1 to 5 p.m., Square Dance Center, with Jim Hattrick calling; Dec. 30, Swap & Swing, 8:30 to 12 p.m., the Dalles. Sale of the State directories far surpassed last year in sales. There were not enough to go around. Would like more to take back with me. P.A.C. 5th Friday Dance was successful with 15 squares. B & B's will sponsor a Trails End Dance, July 6, 1983 preceding the State Festival in Hillsboro, July 7, 8, & 9th, 1983.

Rogue Siskiyou; Frances Pence - There are twelve Square and five Round dance clubs in our area. There are approximately 250 new students in classes in these various clubs. Many local club members travelled to Klamath Falls for the Potato Festival. Star Promenaders took home the traveling banner with 62 members present. Southern Oregon Singles held their annual Nite Owl dance with large attendance- 11 squares on the floor at 2 a.m. to qualify for their nite owl badges. The Rogue Siskiyou Council hosted a free dance last night to thank those who worked on the Summer Festival, with Randy Dibble calling. Future dances are; Nov. 6, Tule Twirlers, with Slick Fox calling; Charlie Browns of Grants Pass, Fall Hoedown, with Mike Sikorsky calling; Dec. 19, Medford Armory, the first student level dance, with admission being gifts for Fairview patients. Southern Oregon Singles will host a dance at Medford Armory, Monday, Nov. 15, with Marshall Flipppo calling. Christian Cross Trailers will dance at the beach January 21 thru 23, with Marv Lindner, calling. All area clubs are planning special Thanksgiving and Christmas activities. Round dance cuer, Bud Trowbridge, was seriously ill with pneumonia, in the Grants Pass Hospital. Hopefully he is on the mend.

South Coast; Kathy Ash - All clubs have classes going. Round dance classes are large and successful - cuing seems to create the interest. Sets in Order in Coquille will have their 36th Anniversary Dance on Nov. 13, with Jerry Bradley calling. New scheduled dances are plus dances with Skyloft the 2nd Tues, 3 to 5:30 p.m. pot-luck; Saints & Aints, 4th Fri. at Milner Crest School, 8 to 11 p.m. with snacks. Christmas parties for all clubs in the Coquille area is Dec. 11. Will have donations for Fairview instead of gift exchange. Combined New Years Eve Party for the area at Port Orford with Beachcombers as host. There will be a special danced with Dave & Bonnie, Mon. Nov. 8, 1982.

Sunset Area; Del Niemi - Not much to report. Lessons are under way for both clubs Astoria Hayshakers have good class with 3 squares; Clatskanie Promenaders in first two lessons have only 1 couple so far. Had very good participation at Hayshakers Indian Summer Days weekend - especially on Saturday night. This past Friday two clubs sponsored a Halloween dance at Svensen. The famous "Whistlers" who we haven't seen for many years, dropped in during the evening and were a big hit.

Tualatin Valley, Bob Brown - The Council is working very well. Classes have been started by all clubs except one which will begin class in January. Classes are progressing very well with lots of new dancers and some former dancers returning to learn new things. Work on Summer Festival '83 is forging ahead at a good pace. Bill Cook will report more on this. The Council Board made an official visit to the Tualatin Twirlers last night, Oct. 30. All please remember to support your Mid-Winter Festival January 28, 29, 30 and then remember T.V.C. in '83.

Umpqua Area Warren Engdahl - Loren Cochran called the U.A.C. 5th Sat. dance on Oct. 30. It was hosted by the Timber 8's at the Buckeroo Barn. Jim Hattrick will be the featured caller on Fri. and Sat. nights at the August 1983 Douglas County Fair Dance. The U.A.C. State Delegate was asked to request that 5th Sat. weekend dates be left free for Area Council to schedule their individual activities.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Summer Festival 1982; Frank Young - Absent. Jimmy Carney presented a check from the festival to Ed Warmoth in the amount of \$1970.53.

1983 Mid-Winter Festival, Leon Houle - We have discussed having some added entertainment at the festival. We will have a full 3 day program for both mainstream and beginner dancers. Style show on Sun. morning. We will also have our re-sale shop and sewing clinic. Please, please pre-register and urge your club members to do so, as we must pay in advance for facilities.

1983 Fairview Dance, George Winterfeld - Absent.

1983 Summer Festival Dance, Bill Cook - We are progressing nicely and will have a first class festival for you. Please support the Mid-Winter Festival first and then start thinking yellow.

State Fair Dance, Harold Bressler - Has been trying to find a location to store one of the trailers. Can store one at the State Fair Grounds but must have a written contract to do so. They in turn, will give the State Federation a contract for their dancing at the Fair which would be in the same amount as cost of trailer storage, so we would come out even and not actually have to have any money exchange, just all on paperwork. We will have to provide our own insurance on the trailer. We have been asked to oversee this trailer so if you will want to use it, you will have to give us 2 or 3 day advance notice so that we can get the trailer out of the storage area. Re the sound equipment; we do not know much about it as it has not been used this year. Each caller seems to prefer to use his own equipment. Storage of that equipment might be a problem and it does need some work done on it. The representative of the Fair Board once again indicated how much they enjoy and appreciate the The Square Dancers at the fair. The dancers never cause any trouble and always keep their performance area neat and clean.

GOODWILL AMBASSADORS

Russell and Emma Huffman - Emma is circulating a card for Dorothy Murray. Please sign if you have not done so. Pointed out the flyer for the new club, Buoy & Gulls dancing at Lincoln City. They are a very enthusiastic group and if you are down that way on the 2nd or 4th Fri. please do join them for a good time.

Vern & Ruth McKnight - We have not been getting around much because of Vern's illness but he is steadily improving and we're looking forward to traveling again. We have received a letter from the Harkins now in Hawaii. Both are working long hours and have not really had an opportunity to become involved in square dancing there. They do miss their family. We have not been able to catch up with George & Bernice Gruchalla to personally present them with the Burl clock so will send it down to them with their daughter.

Ed & Mary Warmoth - We have been traveling around the State in our motor home. We recently received a lovely surprise when we were honored at a Lads & Plaids dance which was also attended by many of our old friends from Rose City Squares. We were presented with a beautiful plaque and proceeds from the door.

OLD BUSINESS

(1) Treasurer, Ed Warmoth stated that although he had paid the State Fair bill (rental of trailers and other expenses) a motion to do so had not been made. Bill Deasy, made a motion that the bill be paid, motion seconded and carried. Ed requested that 1983 Summer Festival people get their report on (the festival in at an earlier date if possible to coincide with bookkeeping before the end of the fiscal year so that we can show a more even year to year cash flow.

(2) Parliamentarian Buddy Randall, presented his insurance report as per Pres. Vern Meyer's request at the last meeting. Buddy handed out detailed sheets regarding the insurance to all delegates and officers present. This sheet is very expanatory in itself and Buddy answered the few questions presented by the membership. It is suggested that you make this sheet available to your member clubs or have it where it can be read or seen in order to answer any questions that clubs or individuals might have regarding the insurance. This sheet will also be going out to all club presidents via Floyd Bard's special packet.

(3) President, Vern Meyer, appointed Harold Bressler to be coordinator for the trailer project. Harold will procure the necessary papers and have it stored at the State Fair Grounds. Vern Meyer has the other trailer stored in his barn and will work on getting part of floor repaired. Eastern Oregon Dele. George Griffith inquired as to whether the sound is useable as is. It was suggested that the sound equipment be checked out and appraised. Genevieve Churchill, PAC, made a motion that the sound equipment be sold, motion seconded and carried. We must decide whether we will charge for the use of the trailers and how much. It was the feeling of the majority present that the trailers be used for square dancing at no charge, but, as Ruth McKnight suggested, we should require some kind of deposit on these trailers to insure that they will be returned in good condition. Jean Brigl, suggested that we will need to check into contract forms for trailer use and also need to check into insurance. Buddy Randall agreed to check on the insurance matter for the Federation. We will need the advice of an attorney in this matter. Question came up regarding rental to other than square dancers - question unanswered.

NEW BUSINESS

(1) Report from the ad hoc committee consisting of Ed Warmoth, Treasurer, Jean Brigl, Financial Advisor, Warren & Florence Engdahl, as delegate representatives, and George & Inez Eberstein and Everett & Mary Blais, as dancer representatives. Jean Brigl presented an excellent visual report regarding past, present budget and future projections. Ed Warmoth reported further regarding this Committees discussion and suggestions, with charts showing projected income, expense and some of the things which could be done with surplus money to promote square dancing; things that could be done with the OFN to make it bigger, better & more interesting; other things that might be done to further interest in square dancing. The delegation present discussed these various projects and decided on using some of the monies for (1) Free Directories for Officers (State & Club Pres.), (2) for the Fairview Dance, (3) Needed repair of the trailers, (4) Magazine ad campaigns in several dance magazines, (5) some of the expenses incurred by the State Festival Advisory Committee, (6) printing of patron cards to be distributed by dancers everywhere in the State. Ed had many other good items listed on his chart, some of which will be further explored and brought forth at future meetings. A motion was made, seconded and carried that we proceed on the above projects.

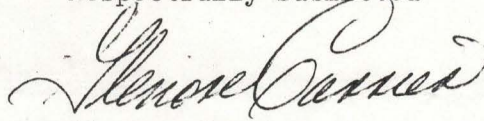
Caller, Marty Firstenberg, suggested that perhaps, in some future time, we might consider using posters or signs just as our candidates for election are now using to promote square dancing. During National Square Dance Week, if we could place this type of card or poster in the yard of every square dancer, advertising square dancing and giving a number or place where people might inquire regarding classes, we might be able to get new people involved in dancing.

President, Vern Meyer, thanked the Mid-Willamette Area on behalf of all of us for the good time and good facilities for State meeting.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting was adjourned by Pres. Vern Meyer at 1:45 p.m.

Next meeting will be at the Mid-Winter Festival in Eugene on January 30, 1983.

Respectfully Submitted



Glenore Carrier,
Recording Secretary

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