

OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS  
Minutes of State Meeting held July 10, 1983  
Ray F. Brown Junior High School, Hillsboro, Oregon

The meeting was called to order by President, Vern Meyer, at 10:05 a.m. Invocation was given by Past President, Phil Rennick. 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; Central Oregon Delegate, Bill Welsh; Interstate Highlanders, Bill Deasy; Leonard Scott substituting; Round Dance Coordinator, Bud Parrott; Goodwill Ambassadors, Wayne & Georgia Puckett, George and Berniece Gruchalla, Al and Caddie Boyer, and Bud and Shirley Parrott.

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, Ed Warmoth- A copy attached hereto and by reference, made a part hereof. The balance as of June 30, 1983 is \$24,415.20 plus \$3559.78 which is held in Fairview Benefit Fund, making a total of \$27,974.98. The State Fair project is automatically in the State Federation Budget.

OFFICERS REPORTS

First Vice-President, Ken Moore - No Report.

Second Vice-President, Orval Dyer - Nothing much to report. Did have a few free directories left and put them out at the Festival for people to pick up so they are all out now.

Financial Advisor, Jean Brigl - Had an inquiry regarding procedure necessary to obtain a non-profit status and have misplaced the telephone number. Can anyone help. George Fleshman, Three Valley area answered Jean's question with the info that it was a club at Halfway, Oregon. She will present proposed Grant procedure that she has worked out, later, under Old Business.

Recording- Secretary, Glen Carrier - No report.

Corresponding Secretary, Janet Pederson - At the last meeting I requested names of all new delegates. I still do not have a complete list. Need it today so that I can order the new badges and have them for the September meeting. I have a new supply of stationery and envelopes if anyone needs them.

Membership Chairman - Floyd Bard - Thanks all areas and clubs who were prompt in sending in the directory info. Have 12 out of 13 areas that have renewed membership and 127 out of 150 clubs. Total dues paid are \$363.00. When and Where. \$605.00. We had an overpayment and owe a \$12.00 refund to Eastern Oregon, which we will take care of today. Floyd will give a pink slip to those areas deficient in their info and ask that they send that information directly to Orval Dyer. New clubs applying for membership in the Federation are Sunset Squares, and Kings Valley Carousels; Muddy Frogs. Eastern Oregon, which we cannot process because we did not receive necessary dues. Gateway Elks, Swingin' Singles, Lucky Squares and Bobcats from Portland Area, which we cannot process because the applications have not been signed by the Area President. There was a question regarding whether a club could become a member of the State Federation even though turned down by an Area Council. Parliamentarian, Buddy Randall, stated that a club could belong to the Federation even though not belonging to a council. There was question regarding associate members. Only councils have associate members and only two councils, Portland and Tualatin Valley do allow associate memberships. Question also arose regarding clubs non-profit status, (i.e. clubs that are caller controlled with all proceeds going to the caller. There was much discussion regarding all these questions. Nothing definite resolved. Floyd read from Article 3 of the Constitution, (The clubs shall apply through available area and if in dispute the State shall decide on the validity of non-area membership). Floyd suggested that those applications which come

in without Area Council approval include a statement as to why. Also it would be prudent to add a space where the non-profit number of a club could be included. It was decided to leave the decision regarding club applications to the discretion of the Membership Chairman and if he feels he needs input on the matter he is to call upon the State Board members.

Parliamentarian, Buddy Randall - No report.

State Reporter and Publicity, Jack Williams - Jack presented a yard sign to Marty ~~H~~irstenbe when he attended a dance recently. He felt it most appropo since the yard signs were Marty's idea. Jack would like for people to use those yard signs as well as the cards handed out recently, everywhere possible as square dance week is fast approaching. Jack also reported on former board members, Jack & Eileen Brinson, who are no longer able to dance but would like to keep in touch.

State Historian, Joanne Belt - She receives lots of info from local papers regarding square dancing but would certainly like more articles from your local small-town papers, throughout the state.

#### DELEGATE REPORTS

CENTRAL OREGON - Absent, no report. Jack Williams will take information handed out today back to the area.

EASTERN OREGON - George Griffith, The Grand Squares danced at Condon at a public breakfast on July 4th. The Square Knots are doing well with their new dancers. The Rocket Squares had planned to dance at Rondevous '83 but were rained out. The Muddy Frogs are doing very well for a new club.

EMERALD EMPIRE- Jim Floyd, stated that they are all working hard toward the Mid-Winter Festival. They hope that all delegates will become salesmen for them and help to sell pre-registrations. He has passed out programs and applications to all delegates.

INTERSTATE HIGHLANDERS - Leonard Scott substituting. No report.

LINCOLN - TILLAMOOK - Russell Huffman, reported that the Area has added two new clubs this past year which has doubled their number of clubs from two to four. This has added over 60 new dancers and the clubs are continueing to grow. The Buoys & Gulls of Lincoln City, have over 40 members and the Tillamook Wagonners and Toledo 49ers each have over 40 members. The newest club, Sunset Squares of Waldport will be dancing the 2nd and 4th Sunday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Moose Hall. All dancers welcome. The Buoys & Gulls have classes continuously and also a weekly Basic Round Dance Class with Ray and Virginia Walz of Salem as Instructors; they also cue rounds at the regular dances. The Toledo 49ers had their 34th Birthday dance in June with Jamboree Callers. The Tillamook Wagoneers danced in the Parade and also had a Jamboree dance to celebrate June Dairy Month. The Buoys & Gulls hosted 13 squares at a Black Cat dance in May. All Area clubs dance year round and visitors are always welcome.

MID-WILLAMETTE AREA - Floyd Carson, New Officers for the Area council are; Pres. Janet Pederson, Vice-Pres. Joe Bucka, Secretary, Janice Pederson, Treas. Jan Adams, Del. Harold Bressler. New Officers for Capitol Callers Assoc. are; Pres. Ralph & Linda Lambert, Vice-Pres. John & Jo Archibald, Secty. Ray & Virginia Walz, Treas. Doug Wilkin. Capitol Callers will be hosting a new Officers day on Sept. 18. where all new club and area officers are invited to attend their meeting to get acquainted and exchange ideas. We have a new club applying for membership. The Betwix & Between will bring our area number of clubs to 27. Three of our area couples attended the National. The Bades, who were in the style show, the Hannahs, who cued rounds, and Steve Johnson and Sherry Harkins, who did some calling. Our New Dancers Committee gave a final report. In Oct. at start of dance lessons, we had 423 dancers with a loss of 115 dancers during the holidays. We found that we experience a total loss of 25%. The Committee recommended a special function of some kind to cut down the loss during holiday season. Our area will participate with dancing at the State Fair. Fall Festival will be held at the Corvallis

Elks Lodge. The Hannahs stated that they were appalled that there was not a banner, a display, nor anything to represent Oregon at the National and are wondering why Oregon does not give better participation.

PORTLAND AREA, Genevieve Churchill, wishes to thank the Tualatin Valley Council for a good festival. She introduced Portland Area Council 1st Vice-Pres. Ernie Powell. P.A.C. officers have been installed with Jack Davis, Pres., Northwest Callers & Cuers Assoc. new officers are; Mike McDow, Pres., Ed Burcham, Vice Pres., Cindy Marberry, Secty. Curt Boardman, Treas., Rnd. Dance Coordinator, Koko Sutton, & Callers instructor, Bob Stutevoss. Their first meeting will be Sept. 11th. Rose festival dance was a great success--do not have final figures yet. Lucky Squares has been added to the council. Louie Popp, Caller, & they dance at the Milwaukie Center in N. Clackamas Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m. 3rd & 4th Thurs. All Area Board & delegate meetings will be held at the Oak Grove Community Hall at 7:30 p.m. State meeting for Sept. is being set up and invitations will go in the mail soon. Square Dance week will be in Sept. State Pres. Vern & Mae Meyer and I attended the Idaho State Festival held in Ontario, Oregon. I Visited with our Goodwill Ambassadors, George & Berniece Gruchalla at the National. They send their greeting to all. The National will be held in Baltimore, Md., June 28, 29, & 30th in 1984. I would like to make a recommendation that Oregon be represented in the Showcase of the States. I would be glad to help with it. We have been represented in the past and feel it is important that we participate. On behalf of Chairman for State Festival 1986, Bill Bradshaw, I am presenting a proposed budget.

ROGUE SISKIYOU, Frances Pence, Our clubs are all busy with campouts, visitations, Festivals and workshops. Southern Ore. singles graduated 58 new students bringing their roster to 265 members. The Singles brought home the Traveling Banner for the 2nd year from the annual Gold Diggers Festival in Yreka, Ca. with 96 members attending. The Lords & Ladies of Ashland celebrated their 10th birthday, July 4th & danced in Lithia Park in the afternoon and Helman School in the evening on their brand new portable floor built by the Lords & Ladies & the Singles. Ramblin' Rogues have also built a portable floor so their July & Aug. dances will be held outdoors. Rogue Siskiyou new officers are; Judy Guss, SOS, Pres., Brenda Hobbs, R R's, Vice Pres., Doc Everett, L & Ls, Treas. & Alice Beard, Twirlers, Sect. We anticipate a great year with these new officers. I am once again the Delegate and am enjoying it very much. Rogue Siskiyou wishes to thank the OFN staff for the New Dancers issue. Rogue Council & Star Promenaders of Medford invite you all to the 10th annual Diamond Lake Festival, July 21, 22 & 23. Thank you, Summer Festival Committee for a fine festival. I had two jackets left from the State Meeting in Medford, please see me today, if you are missing a jacket. Rooster Crows of Rogue River, Caller, Monte Kiser, has resigned.

SOUTH COAST, Kathy Ash, activities since State meeting in May include, The Azalea Festival at Brookings, the end of May, chaired by Mrs. McNew & Mr. & Mrs. Dave Boozer; The Battle Rock Jubilee, at Port Orford, July 2, 3 & 4th. A weekend of camping and dancing. Callers were Tony & Wilbur Kurzhall from Hawaii, former callers for the Beachcombers. Also Denver & Billie Nance from Texas, former callers for Sets-In-Order of Coquille. Various clubs have had exhibition dances for city celebrations & for the 4-H County Bock Social & Fun Evening. Coming events; Coos County Fair Dance, Aug. 13, Myrtle Point; Sand Dune Sashay, North Bend Skyloft, with camping around the building on Labor Day Weekend. In Nov. we will host the State Meeting at the Skyloft with dinner on Sat. at the hall, Breakfast available at the hall on Sun. 7 to 9. Free R.V. Parking at the Skyloft.

SUNSET AREA - Del. Niemi, No Report, Clatskanie Promenaders are not dancing for the summer.

TUALATIN VALLEY - Bob Brown, Would like to introduce our new Area Council Pres. Joanne Belt & husband Virgil and our new State Delegates Bill & Bea Cook. We have all been very busy since last meeting finalizing all for this State Festival, which is, as of today, past history. We also had time for a parade float in the 4th of July, Hillsboro Happy Days, a dance on the I-205 Bridge, Eager Beaver's Anniversary, and the Rose Festival dance. We would like to thank you and all the many dancers who attended this Festival and helped to make it a real success.

THREE VALLEY - George Fleshman, The Three Valley Council has added two new clubs into the council. Halfway\*s "Hell's Canyon Hi-Steppers" and John Day's "Strawberry Stompers". Their addition to our council makes our council name obsolete, therefore at our next council dance on July 30th we'll be voting on a new name. We'll report on this at the next meeting but we're hoping to make it Blue Mountain Council--then we'll be first in the directory listings!! Coming events are; Baker- Miners Jubilee with live music on July 22, Council Dance at John Day, July 30th, Wallowa Lake Jamboree, Sept. 8-10 with Vaughn Parrish, Dick Spooner, Bud Rogers and local callers and our monthly Council "Plus" dances which alternate between Union & Elgin.

UMPQUA AREA - Warren Engdahl, New council officers are; Pres. Bill Sorenson, Vice Pres., Duane Brooks, Treas. Glenna Webler, Secty. Lorraine Groshong. Installation of officers will take place at the July 14th meeting at Umpqua Park. One couple from each club will be appointed to work on a formal bid to the State Federation for the 1987 Summer Square & Round Dance Festival. Square & Round Dancing will be a part of the exciting activities for all five days of the Douglas County Fair, to be held July 26th thru 30th. On the first three days, club callers and cuers will guide the dancers. On Fri. and Sat. night, Denny Lantz will be the featured caller, with Mary & Clarence Deadmon cuing the rounds. The dancing will be on a portable plywood floor.

GOODWILL AMBASSADORS

Russell & Emma Huffman, introduced the President of the Lincoln Tillamook Council, Norm & Vivian Anderson. We have been on the go and since last State Meeting have attended dances in 6 different areas. Many were birthday dances or special dances. We dance at least once a month with the club in Lincoln City and have also attended special dances at three of our Area Clubs. We do want to thank all of the clubs we have visited for the warm welcome and courtesy they have shown us. Square dancing is the greatest ice-breaker of all time.

Ed & Mary Warmoth, How many of you have contacted your congressmen regarding making Square Dancing our National Folk Dance permanently? Not a very good show but you still have a lot of time so please contact your congressmen regarding this bill- Senate Bill 1448 and House Bill 1706. You can reach Mark Hatfield by phone at 221-3386 and Bob Packwood at 221-3370. Telephoning seems to be more effective but write too!! We had 39 German square dancers visiting in the area last week and found host homes for all of them. Mary displayed a Square & Round Dance Planner which is published in New York, which lists all Festivals all over the U.S. including our Festivals here.

Jim & Helen Cochrane, are really sorry that they have not been able to attend more State Meetings but have been trying to promote square dancing all the while. They traveled to Monterey, Calif. & to Wyo., Tex., Okla., & Idaho handing out directories and information on dancing in Oregon.

Vern & Ruth McKnight, made a presentation of their Annual Especial Award of recognition to the couple whom they feel has done a most outstanding job in promoting square dancing. This year, the award, a beautiful Burlwood Clock, was presented to Harold & Faye Bressler who have chaired the State Fair Dance for several years and have done much volunteer work at the Fairgrounds in behalf of the square dancers. Harold & Faye expressed their pleasure and gratitude upon receiving this award.

President, Vern Meyer expressed appreciation and thanks on behalf of all present to the Festival Chairman, Bill & Bea Cook, & Co-Chairman, Wally & Lanny Blackburn for the excellent Summer Festival they produced.

Summer Festival '83 Co-Chairman, Wally Blackburn presented the United States flag flown during this festival and which had been flown over the Capitol in Wash. D.C., in March. to the State Federation. Chairman, Bill Cook, expressed his thanks and appreciation to all present and to all of the dancers who attended and to the excellent committees he had working with him. He also had tremendous cooperation of the school district and asks

that we all (each area & all clubs) write to the Raymond F. Brown Jr. High School, 1505 S. W. 219th, Beaverton, Ore. 97006 and thank them for the use of their facilities. Letters should be addressed Attn. Mr. Kenneth Wellman, Principal, Mr. Ralph Brown, Vice Principal & Mr. Phil Fox, Advisor. We had approximately 2800 dancers in attendance. This is most gratifying and I am sure we have made a good impression upon the school district.

Doris Jenks stated here that officials and students of the school were so impressed, that they have asked some of the square and round dance instructors to come in and teach at their Leadership Conference. Bill stated that he is sure that the teen club in the area would benefit greatly. Also all profits from food concessions would go into the youth fund at the school.

Mid-Winter Festival '84 Chairman, Jim Floyd, Please distribute flyers, and pre-reg. forms so that we can get them back all filled out. We are working on the sound and hope to have the baffles, etc., installed and complete by Sept. Thank you TVC for a great festival. Got a lot of flack this morning re the sound at Mid-Winter but we promise you it is going to be better.

Summer Festival '84 Chairman, Ted Litchfield, Glad that we were able to attend this fine Festival to see how it is done. We have an excellent ready-made facility in the campus of Oregon State College, with good wood floors in all areas and good sound. We will emphasize all levels of dancing including A levels. Memorial Union Bldg. will be the center of activities. Will have a good catered breakfast at a nominal fee. Jack Williams suggested that the Chrmn. & Co-Chrmn. names and numbers be placed on the front of the '84 flyer in bold type so that they can be easily spotted. Janet Pederson is selling buttons to promote Festival '84. We need the help of all delegates and officers in all areas to help promote this festival. There was a question regarding the Festival '84 dress. Janet Pederson has all the information regarding this dress. Contact her at 801 Lockwood Ln. Salem, Ore 97302 Phone 362-6084.

Fairview Dance Chairman, Phil Rennick, had a call from Jerrry McGhee of Fairview stating that they now have \$70,000.00 which is half the amount needed for the Fairview Project. Has callers for the dance which will be Sunday, April 1, They will be Don VanVeldhuizen, Slick Fox, and Al Mc Coy. Clint & Lucille Barnes cuing the rounds.

State Fair Dance Chairman, Harold Bressler, State Fair Dancing will be every day Aug. 26 thru Sept. 5. We need 3 squares at a time plus a caller and wife or partner. Also your round dance cuer if club has one. Be sure to list date you wish to dance as well as time. Also be sure to list 1st & 2nd choice. There is a sheet in the OFN which you may use. Times the Square Dancers will be performing are 1, 3, & 5 in afternoon and 7, 8, & 9 in the evening. Square dance attire a must. The same rules apply as in past years. The closing date for registering to dance at the fair is Aug. 1. We have had a volunteer with a backhoe come in and dig up the area for our concrete slab and will soon have that finished. Have another volunteer concrete man who will give it a good smooth danceable surface. We would appreciate a letter from the State Federation to the backhoe man thanking him for his time and the use of his equipment.

Round Dance Coordinator, Bud Parrott absent, Curt Boardman, Chairman of ORDTA Screening Committee reporting for him. Co-Chrmn. is Doris Jenks with committee consisting of cuers from all areas; Tom Surface, Pat Hintz, Judy McCain, Dennis Smith, Marge Pentecost Elaine Funk, and George Clark. For your information dances chosen for this quarter are Neopolitan Waltz, easy quarterly classic; Desert Song, intermediate quarterly classic; & Blue Side of Lonesome, intermediate quarterly. This quarter thru Sept. we are working with the "Cha" family. Oct. thru Dec. quarterly will be the "Hitch" family.

Education Chairman, Jimmy Carney, Square Dance film will be aired twice weekly beginning in Sept. on Medford KSYS. Film will not be distributed via National satellite now, due to a few technical difficulties. Propose that we use Rogue Siskiyou area as a test area to determine if the impact of such a film will make a significant difference in enrollment and retention of students to graduation time. Figures area wide will be compared for 1982/83 and 1983/84. I have passed on most of my Education Material to our next Education Chrmn. Ken Moore. Would like to emphasize once more that we desparately

need assistance from all dancers to contact their U. S. Senators and Congressmen to get them as Co-Sponsors for the National Folk Dance bills now being held in sub-committees. Representative, Bob Smith from Eastern & Southern Oregon has signed as a co-sponsor. I have placed copies of a petition with each delegate that will serve to get Square Dancing a part of the 1984 Olympics. All other countries have this and the United States, up until now, overlooked this. Please, each delegate have enough copies made from what I have given you to supply each club in your area. Proposal for review by the Pres., Treas, & Financial Advisor, to establish a policy for making a one-time grant of \$150. to any area wishing to hold a leadership workshop or seminar when all the clubs of that area are represented. This would be entirely separate from the loan or matching grants fund program already established. This grant would be at the discretion of the Executive Committee. Feel that some expenses should also be paid to the Ed. Chrmn. to help coordinate and assist the area with this project. Any dancer, couple or single who might wish to become a Legacy Trustee should contact Jimmy Carney to be nominated. They must have been a dancer for 5 years or in a leadership capacity for 3 years. Callers, Cuers, or Suppliers are also eligible.

Oregon Federation News Editors - Rosemary Crawford, Donna Scott, Rosemary stated that there is one more issue to go and then the OFN will have a new Editor and a new address. Oregon Federation News, P.O. Box 1220, Corvallis, Oregon 97339-1220. We still have some problems with who should be allowed listing in "Where & When". We usually check with the Membership Chrmn. to see if clubs are eligible. The tremendous increase in ads in the OFN that have really helped to improve the magazines' money making status. Donna Scott reported attending the Idaho State Festival and the interest in our OFN and how the editorship was handled came from people in California, Wash. & Idaho. Both the editors feel that the New Dancers edition was worthwhile. They are getting a lot of new subscriptions.

Meeting recessed for coffee, Meeting reconvened at 11:46 a.m. by Pres. Vern Meyer, who introduced Mac & Mary McLure, Chrmn. of the National Folk Dance Committee. Mac reported on the progress of the bills and the importance of all dancers contacting their Congressmen and letting them know that we want the Square Dance to be our permanent National Folk Dance. The Bills are Senate 1448 and House HR1706. Oregon Congressmen do not seem to be helping this time as they did last, by co-sponsoring these bills. Mac also re-emphasized the fact that telephone calls seem to be most important, however anything will help.. letters, calls and telegrams to all your Congressmen. We do need the help of everyone to give these bills an extra push. Remember it was Oregon that was the first State to make the Square Dance the State Dance!! Thanks to you all for a great festival. We've enjoyed it immensely.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Genevieve Churchill of PAC presented a bid for Summer Festival 1986 and presented a proposed budget. Ken Moore made a motion that the PAC bid be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

Ed Warmoth, as President-Elect presented to the board his copy of the proposed Goals for '83-'84, a proposed budget and organizational chart for inspection and discussion. It was the general consensus of opinion that the Financial Advisor position is definitely a necessity and should not be eliminated. We would need this officer to carry on the continuity of the office of treasurer. It was moved and seconded that the State Board retain the position of Financial Advisor. Motion carried.

Dorothy Murray suggested that, for the good of the order, the Fairview Dance Chairman be listed in the Oregon Federation News along with the other Board members, because they are working on the project all year.

Jean Brigl reiterated Genevieve Churchills remarks re more participation and representation at the National as well as all Festivals. Jean presented papers regarding the Grant Fund, listing procedure for Grant applications, questionnaire to be used & the Grant Fund

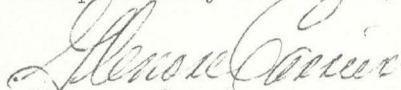
Committee job description and guidelines.

Ruth McKnight suggested that perhaps, it would be possible to have a seminar for interested Officers and Delegates to acquaint them with types of grant fund projects, etc. It was suggested that we look into such a Seminar and follow through in Nov. Ed Warmoth, stated that such a seminar might also include information on insurance and other things which are often inquired about. Jean asked for a motion to adopt a Grant Procedure. George Griffin so moved. Jim Floyd seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Membership Chairman, Floyd Bard made a motion that we accept the following clubs for membership in the Oregon Federation; The King's Valley Carousels of Crescent City, Calif. with Caller Marv Lindner, which presented a question of whether or not the club is a non-profit organization. There was much discussion. Bob Brown stated quite simply that since the Oregon Federation is a non-profit organization we certainly could not be allowed to accept a profit making organization. It was voted to accept the King's Valley Carousels conditionally until their non-profit status is certified. Doris Jenks suggested that perhaps the Oregon State Federation bring our roster up to date by asking that all clubs provide the State organization with their non-profit number. It was also suggested that in the future a provision be made for this number to be included in the membership application form. This was made in the form of a motion seconded and carried. Buzz Carrier stated that a couple of years ago all clubs were to obtain non-profit status for income tax purposes so there should be some record of these. Floyd made a motion that we accept in to the Federation, the Sunset Squares of Lincoln-Tillamook Area with the same conditional provision. Motion seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned by Pres. Vern Meyer at 1:20 p.m. Next meeting will be in Portland in Sept.

Respectfully submitted,



Glenore Carrier  
Recording Secretary

- State Fair Dancing Aug. 26 thru Sept. 5
- Installation State Board Meeting Sept. 17-18 at Portland
- State Meeting at North Bend Nov. 6-7
- State Mid-Winter Festival Jan. 27-28-29 1984
- Fairview dance April 1, 1984
- National at Baltimore, MD. June 28,-29-30 1984
- State Summer Festival at Corvallis July 20-21-22, 1984