

OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS

Minutes of State Meeting held May 6, 1984
Grant Union High School, John Day, Oregon

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Meeting was called to order by President, Ed Warmoth, at 9:35 a.m. Invocation was given by Past President, Vern Meyer. The Flag salute was led by Second Vice President, Floyd Bard.

All officers and delegates were present except Robert Lohman, Parliamentarian & Insurance Rep; Leonard Bacon, Publicity & State Reporter; Central Oregon Area Delegate, Bill & Iva Welsh, Bob & Jeanne Yancey, substituting; Emerald Empire Del. Leon & Pat Houle, Jim & Boots Floyd, substituting; Rogue Siskiyou Area, Frances Pence, Phil Rennick, substituting. Ambassadors absent were Wayne & Georgia Puckett, George & Berniece Gruchalla, Vern & Ruth McKnight, Al & Caddie Boyer & Bud & Shirley Parrott.

Motion made by Second Vice President Floyd Bard, that the minutes be accepted as mailed. Motion seconded & carried.

Jean Brigl, Financial advisor requested a correction to the minutes in re Financial Advisors report, Page 5, i.e. "Please inform your clubs that they need not be concerned with operating within requirements" to read "Please inform your clubs that they do need to be concerned with operating within requirements of non-profit status organizations". Jean again offered her help to any of the clubs needing it in re this non-profit status matter.

President, Ed Warmoth, here excused the nominating committee consisting of; Vern Meyer, Chrmn., Al & Fran Westphal, Ray & Dorothy Murray and Buddy Randall to count the ballots. A total of 148 ballots were sent out and 121 returned to the Recording Secretary completed and 6 were returned as undeliverable.

Financial report was given by Treasurer, Carolyn Pape. Copies were distributed to all Officers and Delegates. A copy is attached hereto and made a part hereof. There has been little change in the report and we have essentially the same amount of cash carryover. It is advisable that the bond required for the Treasurer's position be up-dated. Motion made that the Treasurer's bond be increased from \$2000 to \$20,000. The increased fee would be \$101. instead of \$46 previously charged. Motion seconded & carried. Carolyn also requested that when you make out your check for especial funds such as the "Statue of Liberty Fund" you make the check to the Oregon Federation and indicate in the lower left corner which fund it is to go to. This will make dealing with the bank less complicated.

OFFICERS REPORTS

President, Ed Warmoth, reported that he and Mary have received a very special invitation to all of the Oregon Dancers from the Premier of British Columbia, to attend the Penticton Jamboree. Ed & Mary will be staying at the Delta Lakeside and would hope that any Oregon dancers who need to rest their feet would stop by and see them. Thursday evening of Jamboree week we will have an opportunity to do something special at the dance intermission to feature the state of Oregon. and we hope to have an Oregon float in the parade. Mary & Ed have visited eight Area Council meetings, and will visit with the Eastern Oregon Council at the end of June. Hope to go to the Washington State Meeting in Vancouver. Will be going to the Washington State Festival, Oregon State Festival, Diamond Lake and Penticton.

Past President, Vern Meyer. No report, will report on outcome of election later.

First Vice President, Jack & Rosemary Williams, visited a Portland Area Council Meeting in February and gave the Festival Chairman '86, Bill Bradshaw, a copy of the Festival Guidelines. March 19, we visited '84 Festival Committee in Salem and tried to answer any questions that they had. Attended their Area Council Meeting and was really impressed with the attendance and the support of their group. Sent a letter of inquiry to Mac & Mary McClure re a National Movement of Support by dancers of the Statue of Liberty Restoration Fund. He received a reply from them stating that they thought the idea an excellent one and they would be attending a National Square Dancers Leadership Seminar in May where they would read Jack's letter and were sure there would be some positive

response and support of the idea.

Second Vice President, Floyd & Jill Bard, has submitted receipts for sales of '83-'84 Directories of \$44.00 sold at the '84 Md-Winter. We printed 2300 Directories at a cost of \$1816. Sold approximately 2100 of them for \$1794. Sjrpt \$22. Would recommend that we print same number of directories for 1984-'85 for a budget amount of \$1900. Would like to make some changes in the Directories: Print procedures in the directory and Oregon Federation News how and whom to notify of name and address changes during the year; Index by club, with a black quick index on edge of pages such as on a dictionary; Alphabetic listing of State callers and cuers' Continue major dance section, but also list of dates of special dances, including dances from Areas; Print a calendar from September thru December of the following year; Accurate indication of level-of-dance in directory and Where & When in OFN; Use Federation Logo on front cover with year & divide back cover for advertising both State Festivals.; Also include whether a club does or does not dance during the Summer. We have revamped the club membership application forms and all of this information I have suggested can be included on this form if it is properly filled out.

Treasurer, Carolyn & John Pape, No further report at this time. Be sure and turn in your blue slips if you wish to be paid.

Recording Secretary, Buzz & Glenore Carrier, No report - but would like to thank the Blue Mountain Area for a great week-end.

Corresponding Secretary, Janet Pederson, Sent out 148 ballots and 121 were returned. It was necessary to change the ballot mailing to Club Presidents rather than club Secretaries as many clubs did not have Secretary addresses listed. Would like to thank Floyd Bard for all the labels (1200) that were required for balloting process. This was most helpful. Be sure and give me badge info for new Delegates and other Officers so that I can have the new State badges made up.

Membership Chairman, Bob & Barbara Brown, reported good news & bad news. Interstate Highlander Council is to be congratulated for the 100% return of club info for the '84-'85 directories. Delegates please urge your clubs to get this information to us promptly. Clubs must fill out 3 copies of membership application and forward to the Council Secty. who keeps one copy and sends us two. We have lost 2 clubs, The Flying Eagles, Mid-Willamette and Square Knots of Tualatin Valley Council. Good news- we have an application from Red Garter Squares of Mid-Willamette Area. Everything is in order. Motion made, seconded and carried that they be accepted into the Federation. We have application from the Promenaders, Portland Area Council, All is in order. Motion made seconded and carried that the Promenaders be accepted into the Federation.

President, Ed Warmoth reported on a suggestion presented by Bob Brown that this organization adopt a membership certificate which would be issued to each club with membership in the Oregon Federation and that each year, upon payment of required dues, they be issued a seal or stamp of some kind that could be added to the certificate. This could then be posted on the bulletin board or somewhere in the hall and would be tangible evidence to club members of membership in the State Organization.

Financial Advisor, Jean & Hank Brigl, Thanks to the Blue Mountain Area for a good time. An ad hoc committee headed by Jack Williams for the Oregon Federation News met Saturday afternoon to discuss alternate means of continuing the newsworthy articles in the OFN and yet keep the OFN Fund in balance. Jack will have a full report of the current feelings of this committee. In regard to the non-profit and tax exempt status of clubs, Hank & I have been working very closely with clubs- 37 of them up to this time - by phone, by mail and by visiting the clubs and/or their appointed person/s who are working on the non-profit status for their clubs. All clubs recognize the benefits of incorporating as non-profit and are doing so if they are not already non-profit. However, we are finding that the majority of clubs who do not have their tax exempt status are finding it difficult to meet the 15/35% unrelated income requirement. Communications with Senators Packwood, Hatfield, Congressman Weaver and Governor Atiyeh have been instituted to make them aware of the futility of square dance clubs meeting the tax exempt codes of the IRS and the cost to the government in processing the tax returns of clubs where the tax revenue is

not enough to pay for the paper the forms are printed on, much less IRS staff time to do the processing. Ed Warmoth has also written a letter to Senator Packwood with a reply from the IRS referring only to their rulings. Our endeavor is to; (1) Confer with the IRS on the premise that if organizations with a specific activity such as square dancing who are all meeting with a specific purpose so stated in their constitutions, and that purpose is for commingling and encouraging and promoting the very activity for their being, then the commingling of these persons shall be considered as one body and the non-member ruling for the use of a facility or services shall not prevail. If the IRS is unable to give us a blanket ruling then our next step will be (2) Initiate legislation to institute a separate tax exempt code for square dancers the same as there is now for other organizations (i.e. "Group Legal Services", "Black Lung Benefit Trusts", "Title Holding Corporations", "Cemetery Companies", etc.) allowing the commingling of all groups with a specified like purpose, with no restrictions on public promotion for membership, to achieve that purpose. Knowing that many clubs will not meet the 15/35% ruling, please ask your clubs who are working on tax exemption to contact me by mail, or phone before completing application to the Internal Revenue Service. 345-0916 eves. or weekends.

Norm Anderson reported that he has been having a great deal of problem getting the forms filled out to suit IRS. Jean will give guide like packets to those clubs having problems.

President, Ed, stated that we are trying to conform but feels that some of these requirements do not exactly fit the square dance organizations, and would suggest that we keep in touch with our Congressmen in hope that an understanding of the unique situation of our square dance organization will be forthcoming. Bob Brown presented a listing of total club count by area. We have 10,264 dancers in Oregon and as a board we represent those dancers.

Parliamentarian and Insurance, Bob & Harriet Lohman, Absent. President, Ed Warmoth reported on contact he has had with Bob Hodgins of Eugene Insurance Agency. As of 5-4-'84 there were 42 clubs signed up for liability and 12 callers and 9 clubs signed for accident insurance totalling 629 people in those 9 clubs. Last year there were considerably more clubs signed up for this insurance. The Eugene Insurance Agency is trying to cooperate and have no plans to change insurance coverage for this year. An Insurance Committee will be meeting at Harold Bressler's next Saturday, May 12. They are working on an Insurance program for next year. Insurance should probably be a club service, i.e. club dues to include insurance and Oregon Federation News.

Publicity & State Reporter, Leonard & Charlene Bacon, Absent. President, Ed Warmoth, stated that Leonard has up-dated the little visitors pamphlet and has presented a report titled "Evaluation of Promotional Practices" see copy of this report enclosed herewith.

State Historian, Trudy & Leonard Rasmussen, Please examine our display today. We are fortunate to have as a new dancer-student the famous portrait painter, Gene Anthony, who has painted many portraits of callers. He has made a wonderful offer to our club. He will be happy to paint a \$350. portrait which includes fram for \$100. for anyone interested. He will then donate \$50. of the \$100. fee to the Buckeroos for a new roof on the Barn. Anyone can avail themselves of this offer and it would be a nice gift. Does not necessarily have to be a caller portrait, can be a Granddaughter or favorite niece or anyone you feel is especial. We will be going to the National in Baltimore and taking a display for the showcase of ideas there. Would like suggestions from any or all as to what should be included.

Education Chairman, Ken & Eva Moore, These Blue Mountains surely did look white this morning!! We have been working with the Mid-Willamette Area re a Leadership Seminar which is set for April 1985. There will be a full report on this later in the meeting. The Educational booth at Mid-Winter Festival seemed to be successful so we are planning for such a booth at the Summer Festival. If anyone has educational hand-out material regarding square dancing please get it to me and we will make copies and include them in our display.

GOODWILL AMBASSADORS

Wayne & Georgia Puckett, Wayne had a fall Thanksgiving day and broke his hip and would undoubtedly appreciate your cards and letters. Address is 10316 11th N.W., Seattle, Wash. 98177.

George & Berniece Gruchalla, absent but reported well by Oregon visitors.

Russell & Emma Huffman, have danced a number of times out of State in Arizona and California during our 3300 mile trip in search of the sun. Glad to report that we had nearly four weeks without a drop of rain. We met with many Oregonians including a past President of the Oregon Federation who sent greetings to all their friends here. Had dinner with 14 Snow birds in Mesa. We are on our way to Alaska and hope to return in time for State Festival and will be promoting the Oregon Festival and other special events and hopefully dancing along the way.

Vern & Ruth McKnight, Absent.

Ed & Mary Warmoth, no additional report.

Al & Caddie Boyer, Absent

Jim & Helen Cochran, Helen reported they have been traveling in California and handed out lots of the tourist leaflets and found them to be well received everywhere they went.

Buddy & Nancy Randall, Nancy reported having received a letter from Wayne Puckett which he had written and he is doing well & seems to be recovering from his stroke.

Bud & Shirley Parrott, Absent.

George Fleshman of the Blue Mountain Area reported on results of pre-meeting of Delegates. Would like to have one of the trailers in the LaGrande area for the Summer months as there are 10 different parades in the area where clubs would like to have a float. Would have trailer back to Portland when both are needed there. He would be happy to coordinate this with Harold Bressler. Jim Floyd made a motion that one trailer be housed temporarily in LaGrande, Motion seconded and carried.

Bob Brown of the Tualatin Valley Council requested that the Oregon Federation consider helping the council to buy a electric wheel chair for the Rolling 59'rs. The Tigard 59'rs have raised \$450., the Council has donated \$250. and would the State Federation match the \$250. If so, the total would be sufficient to buy this wheelchair. Incidentally the Rolling 59'rs are the only wheelchair dancers in Oregon and are an inspiration to all who see them. This motion was unanimously approved at the delgate meeting. A motion was made to donate \$250. to the wheelchair fund, motion seconded and carried. Jean Brigl requested that the Tualatin Valley Council submit a written application re the wheelchair to the Federation so that all will be legal.

DELEGATE REPORTS

BLUE MOUNTAIN AREA, George & Dory Fleshman, Northeastern Oregon has experienced one of its worst winters in history but when it's cold you square dance. Our beginners will be graduating this month with overall registration down but LaGrande and Elgin had large classes. The Annual Beginners Jamboree in April was successful with all instructors as callers there. Our Council voted to support the Statue of Liberty restoration Project. John Day will be holding a dance with all proceeds going to this fund.

CENTRAL OREGON AREA, Bob & Jeanne Yancey, The Council held a special dance with donations going to the 1985 State Summer Festival in the amount of \$171. The Central Oregon Square Dance Round-up, scheduled for August 24 & 25, 1984 is progressing on schedule under the capable direction of Wes Hillier. Don Poling will call squares with Ron Meisner, cuing. Flyers will be distributed to all area representatives at this meeting to be taken home to all local clubs. Plans are being made by Central Oregon Council to have a full dance, not just an exhibition, at the Deschutes County Fair on Aug. 2nd. Central Oregon Council dance, June 30, will be hosted by the Bachelor Beauts (Uncle Sam Dance) Visitation by several State Officers to the Red Rock square danceon May 4th headed up by President, Ed Warmoth. Same group had a personal tour of the 1985 State Summer Festival facilities at Central Oregon Community College yesterday.

EASTERN OREGON COUNCIL, Ralph & Pegge Wallace, At our last Council meeting a motion was made, seconded, and carried that we will host the State Summer Festival in 1988 at Pendelton Oregon.

EMERALD EMPIRE AREA, Jim & Boots Floyd, report that the 1985 Mid-Winter Festival committee in full swing. Will have three featured callers for all three days. This will be the 25th Anniversary of the Mid-Winter to be held in Eugene. The Area Council voted to donate \$10. per club to the Statue of Liberty Fund. - check has been forwarded to State Treasurer. Area Officers Election will be held at the next Council Meeting, May 19, at the Bell Promenaders in Walterville. We have an excellent slate of nominees.

INTERSTATE HIGHLANDERS, Mary & Coy Puter, The Interstate Highlanders are sorry to report that the Toketee Cascaders have folded, leaving only three clubs in the area. All clubs are finding it increasingly hard, financially, to maintain three levels of dancing, beginners, mainstream, plus and advanced. This proves especially hard when some of the advanced prefer to dance to records at their level instead of dancing at a lower level to a good caller and cuer. The clubs must pay for these callers, cuers and hall, while some of the advanced group will not support their original clubs. What is the answer? Is this situation unique with us or do other small areas have same problems? Good news. The Klamath Country Squares have received their tax exempt determination letter from the IRS, using form 501C7 and have incorporated as a non-profit organization in the State of Oregon. This was all due to the concentrated efforts of Don Schreiner. Last year the K.C.'s had to pay \$74 extra for insurance to hold their 1983 Potato Festival dance in addition to their regular insurance. They did not have a single claim. It does not seem fair to have to pay so much insurance. We are hoping for some relief on the insurance fee for this year.

LIMCOLN - TILLAMOOK, Russell & Emma Huffman, Sunset Squares hosted a very successful dance in March at Waldport. Attendance at meeting and dance was very good. State President, Ed & Mary Warmoth made an official visit. Coming events in the Area include the first Birthday dance of Sunset Squares at Waldport Moose Lodge, Sunday May 13, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Toledo 49ers will celebrate their 35th Birthday, Saturday, June 16 at Toledo High School, starting at 8:30 p.m. Tillamook Wagoneers will combine their Birthday and Dairy Dance on June 30. All of these are jamborees featuring guest callers. The Buys and Gulls of Lincoln City have changed their day and place of dancing due to caller scheduling. They are now dancing the 2nd & 4th Sat. at Oceanlake School.

MID-WILLAMETTE, Harold & Faye Bressler, May 20th, New Dancers Jamboree at the Elks Lodge in Albany from 2 to 5 p.m. All new dancer classes have graduated and are joining clubs. A Leadership Seminar is to be held April 19, 20 & 21, 1985 by Stan Burdick, hosted by the Mid-Willamette Area. In May rounds for round of month selection will be demonstrated at the Area meeting and in June the round of the month will be chosen for September. The Linn Wanderers & Flying Eagles have combined to all become Linn Wanderers with Dale Hornberger and Hank Roebuck sharing the calling for the club. The Red Garter Squares have joined the Mid-Willamette Area. Thanks to Jack Williams for attending our Area Council meeting. We are always pleased to have visitors attend.

PORTLAND AREA, Genevieve Churchill, WISHES TO THANK THE Blue Mountain Council for being such good hosts. Would like to congratulate OFN Editor Clint & Lucille Barnes for the excellent job they are doing. The magazine is better with each issue. Many things going on in the Portland Area. If you would like to be a star, be at the Pioneer Courthouse Square, June 2nd at 5 p.m. & you can be on television. Your pledges for the Doernbecher Children's Hospital are needed. Please make a concentrated effort to attend the MIRACLE JAMBOREE. That evening is also the Starlight Parade & the Country Cut-ups & Checkerboard Squares are co-chairing the preparation of the float for that parade. June 8th is the Annual Rose Festival dance at Mt. Hood Community College, Callers Marty Firstenberg & Gordon Sutton with Koko Sutton Cuing rounds. Grand March at 7:45. The Portland Area will be selecting the Round of the Month at the Delegate Meeting, June 17th, Sunday at the Oak Grove Community Hall. Potluck at 1 p.m. Selection of round and Installation of new Area Council Officers. Dancing afterward. the Court Jesters and Mini Squares have disbanded and three new clubs have asked to join our Council. An invitation has been extended by Evergreen Council, Vancouver, Wa., to attend their State Meeting this month in Vancouver at the Clark County Square Dance Center, 19713 N. E. 117th on May 19th. Friday night there will be a Trails end dance & dance on Sat. There is room for RVers.

ROGUE SISKIYOU AREA, Frances Pence, All area clubs are in process of graduating their students and hopefully new club members. New classes will begin for some clubs as they go into MS workshops, Plus and A/1 and 2 classes. Two of our clubs feature A-1 and A-2 dances each month, as there are a lot of advanced dancers in the area ;now. Plans for Lake Selmac weekend, May 18 & 19, Boatnik, Memorial Day weekend and Diamond Lake are nc in process. All of the clubs have had birthday dances in the past three months. Jerry Bradley and Tony Oxindine put on a great weekend in Grants Pass, March 30,31 and April 1. Hope to see you all at the Summer Festival.

SOUTH COAST AREA, Kathryn & Eugene Ash, Skyloft Squares, Saints & Aints and Single Steppe all held birthday dances. Two weddings were held at square dances lately --singles who met at dances. Sent our contribution to the Statue of Liberty Fund from Area and clubs. Intermediate round dancing and plus square dancing for the South Coast area are held on the 2nd & 4th Sundays at the Skyloft., 2 to 4 p.m. Intermediate rounds at 2 to 4:00 p.m.; Plus dancing 4 to 6:30 p.m. and potluck at 6:30. Hope Anderberg is round dance instructor and Chet Martin & guest callers for plusdancing. Held a public square dance in the Shopping center at North Bend in March. June 30, Area Council meeting; July 2,3,4 Battle Rock Festival, Dancing June 30 - July 2 , 3. Labor day weekend, Sand Dune Sashay at the Skyloft in North Bend. We have had a lot of rain so we do a lot of squaredancing.

SUNSET AREA, Joe & Clara Ficek, held a benefit dance for Fairview on March 30 at Wickiup Grange, Svensen. Thanks to many generous dancers and the help of our two caller it was a success. Clatskanie Promenaders have been busy--just had a mystery trip to the Country Capers in Portland. Classes are about half over with graduation to be on a campout at Oceanside Park Tourist Camp in Washington over Memorial Day Weekend. Plans are in full speed to participate in 4th of July Parade in Claſkanie. The Promenaders have purchased a show case to display their many trophys and ribbons. Plans are underway for hosting the State meeting and dance in November. The Astoria Hayshakers are having annual Camp-out at Jewel Meadows over Memorial Day weekend with our caller Ed & Cynthia Webber as hosts for a fun-filled weekend. Hayshakers will be well represented this summer at Washington State Festival, our own Summer Festival, Penticton, and various clubs thro out the State.

TUALATIN VALLEY COUNCIL, Bill & Bea Cook, TVC has 100% insurance coverage. The Square Knots have officially dropped out as active club. A Thank-you free dance was held by the Council in honor of the TVC-83--very successful. New Dancers Jamboree hosted by the Council was well attended. Club class level dances have been expanded. Several clubs have celebrated 25 to 35 years of dancing. We plan to participate in the Pioneer Square MIRACLE JAMBOREE June 2, 5 p.m. to June 3, 3 p.m. Will participate in the Annual Hillsbor 4th of July parade. Have a committee to start work toward an Area Square Dance Hall. We will Co-sponsor the Rose Festival Dance, June 8th, at Mt. Hood Comm. College.

UMPQUA AREA COUNCIL, Chuck & Nancy Rosebraugh, There will be square dancing again this year at the Douglas County Fair on July 27 & 28th. All square dancers welcome. Admission is square dance attire, a badge and \$2.00 per person after 6:00 p.m. Stop in Roseburg after the Summer Festival on your way to Diamond Lake. All area clubs had excellent results from lessons this year. In all, about 160 new dancers graduated. Roseburg is working on plans for the 1987 Summer Festival, to be held at the Douglas County Fairgrounds where there is lots of R V parking. Bill & Dee Sorenson will be Festival Chair men and Chuck & Nancy Rosebraugh, co-chairmem. Don't forget the Buckeroo Round-up on June 1,2,3 at the Buckeroo Barn in Roseburg. Hope to see you all there.

President, Ed Warmoth asked that all note the ad in the OFN for the Miracle Jamboree to be held in Portland. He has distributed packets regarding this dance in Portlands Pioneer Square, June 2 & 3rd.

FAIRVIEW DANCE CHRNM. Phil Rennick, reported a receipt of approximately \$2700. for the Fairview dance. He has asked Lucille Barnes to publish a list of donors in the OFN. President, Ed, suggested that the Fairview Chrnm be past Pres. rather than Past Pres. twice removed for the sake of continuity. It would be much easier to coordinate if there were not such a long period of time between holding office on State board and being Fairview Chrnm. We do need a Co-Chrnm., to follow through as suggested by Jim Floyd.

ORDTA SCREENING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, Curt & Anita Boardman. Absent. President, Ed, stated that the round dances have been chosen up until July. How do you feel about round dance selections by now. The method seems to be working satisfactorily. Curt now has tapes from some areas where it is difficult to get records.

OREGON FEDERATION NEWS, Lucille & Clint Barnes, have brought 1733 copies of the New Dancer issues with them, please be sure and pick them up and take them to your areas with you. Have all been sorted by club number requested in each area. The OFN is once again in need of help as we are sliding into the red side of the ledger. Have had suggestion that the New Dancers issue would be better issued in March or April for all the new dancers coming out of classes.

STATE FAIR DANCE CHRNM. Harold & Faye Bressler, have handed out a sheet of guidelines re dancing at the State Fair. Opened registration for State Fair Dancing on May 1 and will close registration on July 31. Will allow 3 squares per club. Square dance attire is a must. Send your requests for dancing to Harold Bressler, 4730 Auburn Rd. #81, Salem, Oregon, 97301. Please give a first and second choice of dates to dance. We will have colored lights for the evening shows for the first time. There will be a flyer and application form published in the June issue of OFN.

1984 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL CHRNM. Jim & Boots Floyd, Presented a check in the amount of \$1850. for the insurance for the festival. Total Receipts were \$32,794.29, After expenses the amount was \$9941. and after Insurance bill there was \$8091 to divide between the State and the Council. Am presenting a check to the State in the amount of \$4045.

1984 SUMMER FESTIVAL CHRNM., Ted & Doris Litchfield, Presented a full report on progress and budget for the coming festival. Have enclosed these with your minutes.

Nominating Committee Chrmn., Vern Meyer reported on results of election. New Officers are listed at the end of these minutes.

Meeting recessed at 11:25 for coffee break.

Meeting called to order again by President, Ed Warmoth at 11:50 a.m.

Chuck Rosebraugh of the Umpqua area suggested that if you have resale Western Clothing that doesn't sell within a limited time, as they have at the Buckeroo Barn, you might box them up and donate to Fairview as it was noted that the residents there who put on exhibition square dance were thrilled with the idea that they were in appropriate costume for the dance

OLD BUSINESS

The Financial Condition of the Oregon Federation News. Pres. Ed, stated that our magazine is controlled by the Oregon Federation and operated by the past officers of that organization. We are once again in the red on the OFN. Jack Williams, 1st Vice President went through the April issue and pointed out several things that were "freebies" and might be considered for some shortening. Would not really recommend cutting these articles as the magazine has become better with the addition of new items. Buddy Randall suggested that a committee be appointed today to study the problems and to return to the board at the next meeting with some specific solutions to the problem. Carolyn Pape has made up a financial sheet in regard to the OFN, which has been distributed to you and which illustrates our problem. We do need about \$2400 more per year to continue in the black. Suggestions were an increase in the subscription rate of \$1 per year which would generate the \$2400 per year and would not prove a hardship to subscribers. Building up the number of subscriptions to the magazine. Perhaps adjust our advertising rate. Perhaps cut back on special articles. A committee consisting of Jack Williams, Chrmn, Jean Brigl, Buddy Randall, Carolyn Pape and Lucille Barnes to check into this further and report at the next meeting.

Up-date on State insurance previously presented by President, Ed Warmoth.

Leadership Seminar, reported on by Janet Pederson. The Leadership Seminar is to be held April 19, 20 & 21, 1985 with Stan Burdick as keynote leader. He will be able to attend for all three days. The Charge will be \$600. and he will pay his own air fare. He will call for dances on Fri. & Sat. nights, will do a Seminar on Sat. & Sun. He would do the entire thing or if we preferred have some others who would help conduct various phases of the Seminar. The location not firm but will probably be at the Community College in Salem. We are hoping to hold the Seminar without charge to dancers however there will be a charge for attending the dances. Our Council voted to contribute \$150. The Callers Assoc. will contribute \$150 and we would request an additional \$300 from State Federation to pay for this Leadership Seminar. Motion made, seconded and carried. Ken Moore, Education Chrmn. stated that this is hopefully the beginning of an annual project and would hope that other areas would consider volunteering to host such a Seminar in the future.

NEW BUSINESS

1985 SUMMER FESTIVAL CHRNM. Bob & Jeanne Yancey report that all plans are underway. Festival theme to be Cascade Jubilee, July 11, 12, & 13, 1985 to be held at Central Oregon Community College/ Co-Chrmn. is Jack Williams and have 69 committee persons functioning to date. We will have available 5 floors (4 wood & 1 tile over cement) which will accomodate approximately 2680 dancers. Have commercial rooms, caller & singles rooms, Cafeteria with capacity of 110 to 220, Dorm rooms (25) to accomodate 50 people at \$6.00 per night plus \$3.00 for linens. All facilities are free with exception of the dorm rooms. Saves our budget approx. \$3000. Callers will be : Thurs. night-local plus other Oregon callers; Fri. Oregon callers plus two featured callers for workshops & dances; Sat. night Oregon callers plus two featured callers for workshops and dances. Callers will be Dale Casseday, Greeley Colo. & Mesa, Ariz. & Bob Baier of Missouri City, Tx. Have not signed the featured round dance cuers yet. Will have an after party chaired by Margaret Bortne and Vera Maddox is in charge of Promotional costumes. Would especially like to thank Bill Cook for his excellent records from the 1983 Festival. Because of those records we were immediately able to establish needs and goals and all committees needed.

President, Ed Warmoth pointed out that we are in good form as far as Festivals. with '85 in Central Ore., '86 in Portland, '87 in Roseburg & '88 in Eastern Ore.

1987 Summer Festival Chuck Rosebraugh had briefly reported on this previously and stated that they are working on a budget and sound.

1988 Summer Festival George Griffith, agreed that the Council had voted to host a State Festival and it will probably be held at Pendleton in a new school building there.

Neglected item of Old Business- Statue of Liberty Restoration Funds, Chaired & reported on by Norm Anderson of Tillamook. Have had a lot of help from Ed & Floyd Bard in putting this project together. Anyone who wishes may donate more than \$10 & if you donate \$15 or more you will receive a certificate for your donation.

Back to New Business - Trudy & Leonard Rasmussen will work up an Oregon display at the National Square Dance Convention in Baltimore. Genevieve Churchill will also be attending and has been invited to represent Oregon in an especial flag ceremony at Ft. McHenry.

Resolution was presented from the Tualatin Valley Council by Bill Cook - That three regular meetings be scheduled annually, That two 1 hour meetings be held annually subject to following guide lines: A. Mid-Winter Festival-Present only nominating committee report - any other necessary report. B. Summer Festival - State Fair Report - any other necessary report. C. Parliamentarian to move for closing of meeting at the end of one hour maximum. All reports except those called by the President as necessary, to be in writing at the Festival meetings. D. Written agenda listing required oral reports to be mailed or published in the OFN. After discussion a motion was made to limit Festival meetings to only the immediate and required business. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion made to adjourn this State meeting. Motion seconded and carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
[Signature]
Secretary

Elected Officers for the 1984 - 1985 year

President	Jack & Rosemary Williams	Central Oregon Council
Past President	Ed & Mary Warmoth	Tualatin Valley Council
First Vice President	Floyd & Jill Bard	Emerald Empire Area Council
Second Vice President	Bill & Bea Cook	Tualatin Valley Council
Treasurer	Carolyn & John Pape	Emerald Empire Area Council
Recording Secretary	Janet Pederson	Mid-Willamette Area Council
Corresponding Secretary	Genevieve Churchill	Portland Area Council
Membership Chairman	Jim & Boots Floyd	Emerald Empire Area Council

LATE BULLETIN!!

There will be a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Leisure Building held at Fairview on Friday June 8th, Any interested square dancers are welcome to attend, preferably in square dance clothes.

OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLUBS MEETING

FINANCIAL ADVISOR'S REPORT

MAY 6, 1984 JOHN DAY MEETING

An ad hoc committee headed by Jack Williams for the Oregon Federation News met Saturday afternoon to discuss alternate means of continuing the news-worthy articles in the OFN and yet keep the OFN Fund in balance. Jack will have a full report of the recommendations of the committee.

Regarding the non-profit and tax exempt status of clubs, Hank and I have been working very closely with clubs - 37 of them up to this time - by phone, by mail, and by visiting the clubs and/or their appointed person/s who are working on the non-profit status for their clubs.

All clubs recognize the benefits of incorporating as non-profit and are doing so if they are not already non-profit. However, we are finding that the majority of clubs who do not have their tax exempt status are finding it difficult to meet the 15/35% unrelated income requirement.

Communications with Senators Packwood, Hatfield, Congressman Weaver, and Governor Vic Atiyeh have been instituted to make them aware of the futility of the inability of square dance clubs to meet the tax exempt codes of the Internal Revenue Service and the cost to the government in processing the tax returns of clubs where the tax revenue is not enough to pay for the paper the forms are printed on, much less IRS staff time to do the processing.

Ed Warmoth has also written a letter to Senator Packwood with a reply from the IRS referring only to their rulings.

Our endeavor is to

1. Confer with the IRS on the premise that if organizations with a specific activity such as square dancing who are all meeting with a specific purpose so stated in their constitutions, and that purpose is for commingling and encouraging or promoting the very activity for their being, then the commingling of these persons shall be considered as one body and the the non-member ruling for the use of a facility or services shall not prevail.

If the IRS is unable to give us a blanket ruling then our next step will be

2. Initiate legislation to institute a separate tax exempt code for square dancers the same as there is now for other organizations (i.e. "Group Legal Services", "Black Lung Benefit Trusts", "Title Holding Corporations", "Cemetery Companies", etc) allowing the commingling of all groups with a specified like purpose, with no restrictions on public promotion for membership, to achieve that purpose.

Knowing that many clubs will not meet the 15/35% ruling, please ask your clubs who are working on tax exemption to contact me by mail or phone before completing application to the Internal Revenue Service. 345-0916 eves. or weekends.

MID WILLAMETTE AREA COUNCIL

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July 20-21-22, 1984

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Report for State Meeting, May 6, 1984

Plans for the Summer Festival are proceeding on schedule. At this time we have 310 registrations, 90 who will occupy dorm rooms, and 51 RV places taken. Motels are filling up fast. Important dates: Pre-registration cut-off date - June 15; Dorm cancellation date - July 13. RV Parking is ample - all of Gill Coliseum lot, but no hook-ups. Showers will be available in Gill for RVers to use.

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The sale of advertising is complete with a \$500 income - \$100 over the budgeted figure.

There have been 16 Commercial Booths rented, and 14 have paid their fee. None are from out-of-state. We are phoning others who have shown an interest within Oregon, but are not actively soliciting any from out-of-state, since we got some negative feed-back at Mid-Winter. However, the committee adopted a policy that we would not refuse any from outside Oregon who wished to be included and paid their fee.

You have seen the preliminary program that was distributed at Mid-Winter. The final program is now being prepared, and a complete dance program with callers listed is attached to this report. We have 45 callers signed up, and each of them will call at least one tip. So far there are 18 cuers signed up for round dancing, and we should have a total of 30 to complete the round dance program.

You have probably seen the articles in the OFN. There will be two more published - in June and July, and they will talk about the dance program and its content. Advertising is being purchased in Footnotes and Swing Your Partner - Where in Washington and The Prompter in the San Francisco Bay Area.

The bus tours from Seattle and San Francisco have received casual response, but there is considerable interest in the Festival in both areas. Our representatives there say that we may attract a number of people to vacation in Oregon and attend our festival while here. So this is better for Oregon's economy.



A copy of an abbreviated budget is attached, and it shows that we are substantially on budget so far, with \$3923 in the bank as of May 1, 1984. I will not read the budget, but it is available for review for anyone who is interested.

I am waiting for a response from RAZ Transportation Company about providing bus service during the festival. I expected to hear from them before this meeting, but no word by Friday, May 4. The extent of the service they may provide is yet to be negotiated.

Sound will be provided by Clyde Charters with help from Andy Culwell and Steve Johnson. We are making every effort to have excellent sound. I have danced in each of the major rooms in which we will dance, and I think the sound will be fine.

We must provide insurance for damage to any part of the facility, and I must arrange this with Buddy Randall.

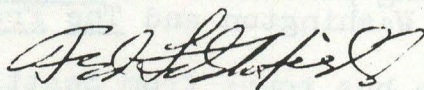
The Oregon Heritage Festival will be going on at the same time as our festival - from July 16 thru August 11. I met with their organizers, and we are working out an entertainment showing the history of square dancing at one of their events. Bob Erny is arranging this, but the exact time and place have not yet been set.

The Mid-Willamette Area will sponsor a Trail End Dance at OSU on July 19. MS will be in the Memorial Union Ballroom and plus in the Women's Gym. This is not part of the Festival package. An A-Level Trail In Dance is being arranged for Salem sponsored by Good Times. More on these will be out in the future, but not advertized by the Festival.

I notice that an item of new business later in the meeting will discuss future State Festivals. I think it is appropriate for you to set some standards and policies for future festivals. Some of the subjects to consider should be: the inclusion of out-of-state vendors; the levels of square and round dancing to be offered and taught and the minimum number of hours of each; the expenses for feature callers and cuers; free registration for participating callers and cuers; and how to return any profit from a festival to the dancers in general.

I will see you in Corvallis on July 20, 21, & 22!

YOU HAD FUN IN '81 - YOU'LL ADORE '84!!!



Ted Litchfield, Chairman