



**OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS
MINUTES OF THE MEETING DATED JULY 15, 2001
DESCHUTES COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

President Barbi Ashwill (Lee) brought the July 15, 2001, meeting of the Oregon Federation of Square & Round Dance Clubs to order at 9:01 a.m. at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds. She stated the meeting was being recorded.

Kay Rogers moved to seat Ralph Lambert as First Vice President for this meeting only, seconded Karel Morris. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously.

Roll call was taken by Recording Secretary Nancy Cobb as follows:

Officers: In the absence of First Vice President Linda Lambert, Ralph Lambert, Second Vice President Kay Rogers (Jim), Recording Secretary Nancy Cobb, Corresponding Secretary Marilyn Schmit (Ron), Membership Chair Clara Kilbourne (Frank), and Past President Larry Reetz (Carol). Absent: Treasurer Don Reed (Elizabeth).

Appointed Officers: Parliamentarian Tim Roberts (Kathy), Historian Don Morris (Karel), State Publicity/Reporter Ed Warmoth (Mary). Absent: Financial Advisor Gary Willoughby (Betty) and Education Chairman Lola Robello (Tony).

Delegates: Blue Mountain - Bonnie Berry (Don), Central Oregon - Virginia Meyers (Hal), Eastern Oregon - Lorene Griffith (George), Emerald Empire - Angie Barta (Alan Prichard), Interstate Highlanders - Cathy Pochatko (Ron), Lincoln-Tillamook - Buzz Buczkowski (Kathy), Mid-Willamette - Harriet Livingston, Portland - Bill Rooper (Annadale), Rogue Sis-Q - Rex Bounds (Jeri), South Coast - Karel Morris (Don), Sunset - Mac Wilcox (Pauline), Tualatin Valley - Carolyn Bosch (Bob), and Umpqua - John Hernandez (Esther Thompson-Wood).

Committee Chairs: 2001 Summer Festival - Doug & LaDauna Hartzell, 2002 Mid-Winter Festival - Larry & Carol Reetz, 2002 Summer Festival - Lee & Barbi Ashwill, 2003 Summer Festival - Dave & Jodene Hughes, 2004 Summer Festival - Barbara &

Larry Schaumburg, Insurance - Jim Rogers (Kay), BMI/ASCAP - Ralph Lambert (Linda), State Fair - Fran Bunch (Ray), ORDTA - Dennis Smith (Elaine), Round Dance Screening - Barbara Schaumburg (Larry), Caller Advisor - Roger Putzler (Linda), and OFN Editor - Dave & Jodene Hughes. Absent: Youth Activities Coordinator Ann Skoe (Roger).

Active Goodwill Ambassadors: Tim & Kathy Roberts; Dick & Marge Pentecost; Ray & Betty Jones; and Don & Karel Morris. Absent: Benjamin & Penny Brown.

Past President Larry Reetz gave the invocation. First Vice President Ralph Lambert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES. Secretary Nancy Cobb said the draft minutes that were mailed or e-mailed contained minor errors, not involving the content. Corrections had been made to the official minutes and would be posted on the web site by Wednesday, July 18, 2001. Ralph Lambert moved to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Bill Rooper. Motion was voted on and approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT. President Barbi Ashwill thanked Doug and LaDauna Hartzell and their very hard working committee for providing square dancers with a wonderful Summer Festival. She apologized to Dave and Jodene Hughes, who she failed to introduce as part of the Board at last night's dance. She said when she and Lee went out to their van last night, they found a supply of toilet paper as the van had been tp'd! Watch for photos in the OFN.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT. First Vice President Ralph Lambert said Linda was unable to attend because of a prior commitment. He read Linda's report into the record. Her report included regrets that she could not attend and thanked Ralph for filling in for her. It also noted she had prepared the proposed budget for the upcoming year, for which Linda will be asking for approval at the September Federation meeting. She thanked both the Summer Festival 2000 and Mid-Winter Festival 2001 for making profits, as the budget is now based on the funds from these two festivals. She is in the process of filling all of the appointed positions and asked that those interested in positions to please contact Ralph. All of the appointed positions will need to provide Kay Rogers a picture for the directory very soon. Linda hoped to do more traveling during the upcoming year and asked Councils to let her know of any special meetings or dances so she can set up her travel calendar. (Written report submitted).

Ralph said Linda's proposed budget had been distributed and said if anyone had questions or comments, to please contact him after the meeting or call Linda. He said Linda's appointments were as follows: Parliamentarian - Larry & Carol Reetz; Publicity/State Reporter - Jill & Floyd Bard; Education Chair - open; Financial Advisor - Gary & Betty Willoughby; Historian - open; BMI/ASCAP - Ralph Lambert; Insurance - Jim & Kay Rogers; Youth Activities Coordinator - Ann & Roger Skoe; State Fair - Fran & Ray Bunch; State Trailers - Jim & Avis Kinkaid; Round Dance Screening - Barbara & Larry Schaumburg; and Caller Advisor - Roger & Linda Putzler. The Nominating Committee chair will be Barbi & Lee Ashwill. Linda has appointed Ron & Cathy Pochatko to this committee and she has one other appointment to make. The incoming First and Second Vice Presidents will make one appointment each to this committee. Ralph said the 2001 Mid-Winter final financial report

had been distributed.

2001 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Doug Hartzell thanked all the Federation Board members for attending and said he and LaDauna had enjoyed hosting everyone in attendance. He said there is dance for State Officers to meet other dancers following this meeting at 12:30 p.m. There were approximately 775 dancers in attendance, with representation from Washington, Arizona, Montana, Texas, Nevada, Alaska, Idaho, Ohio, Oregon and British Columbia, Canada. He felt the Committee had done a good job in traveling to promote the 2001 Summer Festival. He thanked his Committee for all their hard work. His banker, Sandy Hild, gave an estimate of the Festival's financial status, as follows: Income - \$37,896; Expenses - \$24,608, with \$4,000 in loans to be repaid; and Net Income - \$9,288, with the Federation and Central Oregon Council each to receive approximately \$4,644. Doug asked to be excused from the meeting, but Kay Rogers asked him to stay until after her report.

2002 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL. Larry Reetz thanked the Hartzell's for a fantastic job on the 2001 Summer Festival. He reported 2002 Mid-Winter Festival Committee was still working on child care issues. They identified three potential providers who are working with the Committee for a solution for providing child care without obtaining extra, costly insurance. Premiums would be between \$700 and \$800 for three days. Callers and cuers have been identified and Mid-Winter has a signed contract with the Lane County Fairgrounds extending reservation for the Fairgrounds through 2005, so Mid-Winter can support the 2005 National Convention in Oregon. 2002 Mid-Winter Festival Committee meetings are scheduled for September 23, October 28, November 18 and December 16, 2001, and January 13, 2002, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. All meetings will be held at the Lane County Extension Office on 13th Street at the Lane County Fairgrounds, Eugene.

2002 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Lee Ashwill said the 2002 Summer Festival Committee's break even point is 800 dancers. He has a wager going with Doug, who had 775 dancers; so he doesn't lose the wager, he needs everyone to register for 2002 Summer Festival and bring friends! He said the 2002 Summer Festival plans are proceeding rapidly. Starting in August the Festival Committee meetings will be held monthly. All contracts are signed and in place. There will be a trails end dance Thursday night, June 6, 2002, sponsored by the Mid-Willamette Area. Registration forms have been distributed to each officer and delegate and Lee urged all to register early and get a friend to register early as well (Written report submitted).

2003 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Dave Hughes thanked Central Oregon Council on behalf of the Lincoln-Tillamook Council for a wonderful Festival, especially the sunshine. He reported 2003 Summer Festival plans are going well. In response to questioning, Dave said the Festival would be held in Pendleton and thought the dates were June 12, 13 and 14th, 2003.

2004 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Barbara Schaumburg reported 2004 Summer Festival Committee has callers and cuers lined up. In response to Lee, Barbara said this was her first outing since she'd been sick, and she had enjoyed the weekend and seeing folks she hadn't seen in almost a year. She expressed appreciation for the cards, e-mails and prayers, noting they were working.

OREGON FEDERATION NEWS. Dave Hughes said before he made his report, he needed to

apologize to Lee Ashwill as he had promised that the Proclamation for Square Dance Week would be on the front cover of the OFN; however, with Ralph's comments it might not be. He also said he would welcome photographs of the Ashwill's tp'd Van! He thanked 2001 Summer Festival for a good time and for allowing the OFN to roam around acquiring new subscriptions for the OFN. He noted a large number of OFN gift certificates, purchased at the May meeting as gifts or door prizes, had been used. He challenged everyone present to solicit subscriptions from dancers who don't subscribe, because if one doesn't get the OFN, one doesn't know what's going on in square dancing. Dave asked everyone to send in news about square dancers, like getting a "hole in one" on the golf course, because human interest stories encourage interest and articles.

Dave said subscriptions had increased, although not as much as he had hoped. There are about 1,300 subscribers now; the low was 1,100. At yesterday's POOF meeting, it was decided that the OFN would have an area for "classified" ads, which will cost \$6.00 per inch, with each ad being a minimum of one inch. Classified ads are to provide a service to dancers and be used to sell RV's, a club's hot dog trailer, etc. However, classified ads are not going to be used as a personal column. One other addition to the OFN will be a place for ads for "friends of square dancing," perhaps Les Schwab Tires, Wal-Mart, or local businesses. He asked anyone knowing a contact person for a large commercial operation such as Les Schwab, to let him know so he could get in contact.

In response to Barbi, Dave said solicitations with the sandwich board sign this weekend gained seven new subscriptions. Barbi asked if he would please try to provide a comparison of new subscriptions using the sandwich board sign, versus having a table.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT REPORT. Second Vice President Kay Rogers said since the May meeting she and Jim have traveled to several dances in Washington including Washington Summer Festival, to Anaheim and now to the wonderful Central Oregon area, but nowhere compared to this festival that had so much heart poured into it. She congratulated Central Oregon on a wonderful job. Doug Hartzell thanked Kay and let everyone know they had t-shirts advertising the Festival for the discounted rate of \$5.00 each.

Kay asked everyone to turn in expense claims to her during the break so they can be approved before they leave the meeting today. She asked that councils please let her know how many directories are needed. Orders may be e-mailed. They will be delivered at the September state meeting. Payment is due at that time at a cost of \$1.85 each unless Kay notifies everyone of a change. It 's impossible to verify the cost at this time because not all orders are in. If there are less directories ordered than last year, the cost could be as high as \$2.00. She said neither the OFN nor Marilyn Schmit have pictures of last year's officers and appointees, so everyone needs to send her photographs no later than August 1 (Written report submitted).

RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT. Nancy Cobb said she had no report, but asked if anyone had e-mail or address changes to let her know. The Umpqua Council has been busy working on Square Dance Week and all area dancers are looking forward to participating. She thanked Summer Festival Committee for a wonderful weekend.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT. Marilyn Schmit noted agendas would be

available to download from the Federation website, and she would only mail it to those people who didn't have access or couldn't download it. She had an updated list of officers, appointed chairs and delegates she would share with Nancy and would be working with Tim Roberts to determine how to resolve the problems for those who can't download either the agendas or minutes.

Marilyn noted her mother had quadruple bypass surgery while she and Ron were in Anaheim, but had been released from the hospital already and was progressing each day.

She had sent the following cards since the May meeting:

Get Well

Sheila Scott, Klamath Falls
Carolyn Ewing, W Richland, WA
Jim Fehr, Lyle, WA
Polly Smith, The Dalles
Ed Cushman, Salem
Mimi Mills, Eugene
Floyd Bard, Eugene
Bill & Lois Mosier, Eugene
Bob Waibel, Sweet Home
Ed Sneed, Eugene
Neta Minten, Independence
Karen Andvick, Salem
Ardell Wolf, Salem
Peggy Vegas, Eugene
Cheryl Muir, Umpqua

Sympathy

Dennis Driessen, Klamath Falls-mother
Rick Ewing, W Richland, WA-mother
Ron Bales, The Dalles - mother
Jim Voll, Lebanon - mother
Thelma Freeman, Salem - sister
Family of Ed Shepherd, Beaverton
Family of Karen Andvick, Salem
Family of Varena Anderson, NEC
Evelyn Knight, Salem - daughter

She thanked everyone for submitting names of persons needing cards and asked everyone to keep up the good work. She and Ron haven't been able to travel or dance much because of their work schedules but they still hold club office and Marilyn will hold a Council position starting in September.

Marilyn asked that everyone submit agenda items and motions to her by August 13, 2001, so she can prepare, post and distribute the September meeting agenda by Friday, August 17. (Written report submitted).

SHOWCASE OF IDEAS: Marilyn reported the Oregon display had been set up on Wednesday in Anaheim and the Showcase was open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. She thanked Don and Karel Morris, Otis Jones, Genevieve Churchill, Dick and Marge Pentecost and Frank and Clara Kilbourne for their assistance in setting up, taking down and manning the display, and the Ashwill's for transporting the stickers, POVA for shipping parts of the display and the Oregon dancers who submitted their pictures and biographies for it. She noted in the future, dancers should not store personal articles under the table as they can't be responsible for them if the display had to be unmanned.

She had received and will submit the application for the Showcase in St. Paul before it's due date of February 2002.

They provided Ed Warmoth with two copies of the OFN for the Publications Display. They gave out all other OFN's and all the Oregon magazines provided by POVA, as well as approximately 5,000 stickers to dancers who visited the display.

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA (USDA) REPORT: Marilyn said she and Ron had been appointed to chair the committee for Historian/Archives/Showcase of Ideas (for a one year period) and will be in charge of setting up the display for USDA in St. Paul. The winter meeting will be in South Las Vegas in late January or early February. The Square Dance Association of Wisconsin was admitted as a new Affiliate and there are now 54 Affiliates with a total vote count of 140. Marilyn enclosed a United Square Dancers of America Youth Scholarship application for everyone and encouraged participation from the Northwest from a teen square dancer. She also enclosed information about a discount prescription program through Creative Benefits Design, Inc. which benefits the USDA with a contribution of 25 cents for each prescription filled.

She thanked Larry and Carol Reetz and Gary and Betty Willoughby who served as the Oregon delegates to the USDA Annual Meeting in Anaheim.

TREASURER'S REPORT. Barbi said Don Reed was unable to attend the meeting due to illness, asking that everyone keep him in their prayers. She asked that everyone get expense requests in before the end of the day so that expense checks can be prepared.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Clara Kilbourne added her thanks to the Summer Festival Committee for a wonderful weekend. She said she provided each Council delegate with a list of area clubs that had an item missing to be in compliance with membership requirements, such as corporate renewal forms. She plans to alleviate some confusion about membership requirements by having corporation papers on file. With information provided at this meeting, Clara said she had all club information regarding officers, with the exception of the Rainbow Cloggers, and all Councils and clubs are in compliance. (Written report submitted - which included that Tualatin Valley's Rollin' Squares Wheelchair and Waldport Sunset Squares had been disbanded).

INSURANCE REPORT. Jim Rogers asked that clubs continue to send in names, addresses and phone numbers of new members and students, but no money until renewal time later this year. He reminded everyone to send in the notice of events for the August 18th blitz (Written report submitted).

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT. Larry Reetz said it had been a busy couple of months since May. Since then he had provided delegates with the instruction sheets for the Randall Award, accommodating dates and distribution of materials according to the Federation's meeting dates. He encouraged everyone to submit nominations. If anyone has questions, please feel free to contact him.

PARLIAMENTARIAN'S REPORT. Tim Roberts said he distributed fifty copies of all the Practices & Procedure (P&Ps) updates from the May meeting. If anyone needed more, please let him know. He noted he was required to make new copies of the entire P&Ps for all

officers, delegates and Council presidents, which would cost about \$600.00. He asked the Federation to consider whether or not it wanted to continue that practice. Rex Bounds felt that since Tim had been providing timely updates, it would not be necessary to recopy the P&Ps. (Written report submitted).

PUBLICITY REPORT. Ed Warmoth reviewed his report as follows:

- (1) Oregon Square Dance Week, August 18-25: Blitz Kick-off Dances Saturday afternoon, August 18, several places across Oregon. Contact Project Chairman Lola and Tony Robello for full information: call 503-286-0710 or e-mail therobellos@earthlink.net.
- (2) Area Council Officers have information and authority to sign deals for State Cooperative Advertising Money, up to \$300 per Council.
- (3) Square Dance Decals are on sale for \$1 each to be used on vehicle windows, briefcases, etc. or given as dance prizes.
- (4) Square dancing at the State Fair is sponsored for fun and promotion by the Oregon Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs. The Fair dates are August 23-September 3, Saturday through Saturday. Contact Chairman Fran and Ray Bunch to confirm a day and time.
- (5) The state publicity number is [1-888-637-7321](tel:1-888-637-7321). The Web address for the State Federation is www.squaredance.gen.or.us. Minutes, agendas and expense forms can be downloaded from this site. Ed provided Tim with a listing of major, upcoming square dancing events.
- (6) Oregon received the bid for the 2005 NSDC in Portland June 22-25, 2005. General Chairman, Lee & Barbi Ashwill, will announce the Board members and their plan of action at the September State Federation Meeting.
- (7) Registration forms, tour leaflets and full information are available for the National Square Dance Convention in St. Paul June 26-29, 2002. . Their Web site is www.51nsdc.com. Ed was provided with an "artifact" (a briefcase containing registration forms and other information about the NSDC) to promote the 51st National Convention. Ed was looking for a club to pass the "artifact" on to.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR'S REPORT (Gary Willoughby). No report.

EDUCATION ADVISOR'S REPORT (Lola Robello). No report. Barbi said Lola had advised that everything was on target for the Blitz. Benjamin and Penny Brown purchased a subscription to the OFN to give to a youth who participates in Blitz Day so be sure any youth mark that they are youth on the Blitz sign-up sheets. Their names will be placed in a hat and a winner drawn at the September 15, 2001, Saturday dance hosted by the Tualatin Valley Council (prior to Sunday's Federation meeting).

HISTORIAN'S REPORT: Don Morris reported the state photo albums were current. The

State Festival 2000 handbook was now available to check out to any upcoming Summer Festival Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BMI/ASCAP REPORT. Ralph Lambert reported everything was current with both organizations (Written reported submitted).

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR'S REPORT (Ann Skoe). No report.

STATE FAIR COORDINATOR'S REPORT. Fran Bunch reported that nine clubs had signed up to dance at the State Fair, leaving 12 slots available. If those 12 slots aren't filled, the Fair will arrange other entertainment. She noted the Fair won't be publishing names in the daily schedule this year, only listing square dancing and the time. She reminded everyone that seven slots were given up last year and the Fair already took away both Saturdays. Fran asked for clubs' list of names by August 10, 2001, and said she would be mailing reminder letters to clubs next week. She suggested it might be time to consider not dancing at the State Fair because of the difficulty filling the slots. Barbi suggested that after Fran's report at the September meeting, delegates could ask area clubs for a consensus of whether or not to continue State Fair dancing. (Written report submitted).

ORDTA REPORT. Dennis Smith reported the ORDTA meeting held yesterday had excellent attendance. Their next meeting was scheduled for October 27, 2001, at the Springfield Dance Center. He thanked 2001 Summer Festival Committee for the name placards given to all callers and cuers.

ROUND DANCE SCREENING. Barbara Schaumburg reported the Round of the Month for September, 2001, "If it Ain't Love," was chosen by the Tualatin Valley Council. E-mail notification, certificates and postcards had been sent out. She also thanked the Committee for her name placard. Doug said that if any caller or cuer hadn't received his/her name placard, it could be picked up in the Hospitality Room. (Written report submitted).

CALLER ADVISOR'S REPORT. Roger Putzler added his thanks to the Summer Festival Committee for a wonderful weekend. He noted that the IRS was increasing the mileage deduction that self-employed individuals, such as callers and cuers, could take from 32.5 cents to 34.5 cents a mile. He suggested callers and cuers might consider that as an increase in expenses and ask their clubs for a raise. When he mentioned the possibility to Lee Ashwill, Lee said they should lower their fee because IRS is allowing a larger deduction (laughter). He thought the matter should be brought up so clubs could be aware that expenses are increasing for callers and cuers.

DELEGATE MEETING REPORT. Virginia Meyers said she had enjoyed having everyone attend Summer Festival. She reported on the discussion at the joint meeting of the Executive Committee and Delegates. Delegates who have e-mail will be receiving meeting agendas via e-mail; all others will be mailed. There was discussion regarding a motion by Karel Morris, South Coast Area Council Delegate, to charge a \$10 fee for each usage of the State trailer. John Hernandez, Umpqua Council Delegate and Recording Secretary Nancy Cobb,

volunteered to obtain the necessary information for PE accreditation of Square Dancing for home-schooled children. Such information will be available at the September meeting. Barbi Ashwill reported the Federation had received the bid for the 2005 National Convention at the National Convention recently held in Anaheim and a 2005 registration table was open in the North Sister Hall (Written report submitted).

54TH (2005) NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION REPORT. Lee Ashwill also thanked Central Oregon for a great weekend. He again advised that Oregon's bid was successful to host the 54th National Square Dance Convention in Portland, Oregon, in June 2005. The Chairs selected for the seven Chairmanships, the Computer Coordinator and hopefully the Secretary will be announced in the September OFN and at the September State meeting. Each of the seven Chairmanships will have subcommittees and interest sheets for positions will be distributed to dancers. Services of a Legal Advisor have been procured and the corporation status is being changed from the 43rd National Square Dance Convention to the 54th National Square Dance Convention. When that is accomplished, the \$25,000.00 check will be requested from the Treasurer. Lee thanked all the dancers who supported the bid presentation in Anaheim and participated in the Parade of States and said a public "thank you" to Ed Warmoth for his professional narration of the Power Point presentation. A scarf and Oregon pin have been distributed to all those who were unable to attend, as members of the sponsoring organization, as well as one for each Area Council President. Barbi noted that many other states offered support in Oregon's bid, including Texas, Washington, Idaho, California, and British Columbia, Canada. Lee apologized to those participants in the Parade of States who had to stand after Oregon was promised seats (Written report submitted).

OREGON SQUARE DANCE MUSEUM. Bonnie Stimler distributed the proposal made in January (see written reports for review) to establish an Oregon Square Dance Museum. She noted Harriet Livingston and Tim Roberts would be helping the committee, which had held a meeting. She asked everyone to obtain Area Council input on the proposal for review at the September Federation meeting. After that, a plan of action will be developed for the establishment of the museum. The Committee will be asking for letters of support (non-financial) from clubs and individual dancers. When they have the letters, the Committee will ask the State Legislature for its support, and then seek funding through grants and donations. She advised if anyone had questions to please contact her (e-mail danceround@hotmail.com). Also, Area Councils will be asked to have one dance to provide seed money.

Barbi announced that Zola and Ray Jones had Mid-Winter Registration forms available during the break, and there are still a few of the 2001 Summer Festival t-shirts available for sale.

BREAK. 10:33 TO 10:53 p.m.

STATE TRAILER REPORT. Jim Kinkaid reported both the state trailers had been reserved for July 4th, 2002. He thanked Ray and Fran Bunch for helping with trailers while he and his wife were on vacation this spring. He advised, mostly for the Central Oregon area, that he had found a suitably sized trailer for sale, but it needed repairs. If anyone was interested, please contact him. Upon questioning, Jim advised trailer usage averaged about 15 times per year for each trailer. Virginia Meyers asked about the cost of the trailer Jim had found, and he

thought the price was about \$1,400, but that it really wasn't worth more than \$500-\$600. John Hernandez knew of a trailer in good condition for sale in the Umpqua Area.

OLD BUSINESS. None.

NEW BUSINESS.

Karel Morris moved that there be a \$10 user fee paid direct to the Federation Treasurer each time a Federation trailer is used, seconded by Ralph Lambert. Karel explained there are ongoing expenses generated with the ownership and usage of the trailers, including licensing and general maintenance. The proposed user fee could be used to offset those expenses and be paid by the clubs actually using the trailers. The fee would be mandatory and over and above the \$50 deposit, which may also be required. As the check would go directly to the Treasurer, bookkeeping on the part of the Trailer Coordinator could be eliminated. The proposed user fee would go directly to the line item "Trailer Improvements and Maintenance."

Karel said in 2000, the trailers were used 14 times by 13 clubs and recent expenses totaled \$66. If passed, this motion would change Section VII-20, Line 9, in Practices and Procedures to read: "2. A \$10 user fee is to be paid for each trailer usage. Make a check payable to Oregon State Federation, mark it for 'trailer rental' and mail it direct to the State Treasurer. Identify which club or area is using the trailer and the date of the usage."

Discussion ensued regarding reservations already made for next year. Dave Cooper spoke against the motion because the trailers are used to attract new dancers. Kay Rogers said if the motion was going to be amended regarding the effective date, the effective date should be immediate (today) so clubs couldn't make reservations tomorrow and avoid paying the fee.

Ed Warmoth and Lee Ashwill supported Dave's comments. Lee further noted that clubs had to go to Salem to pick up and return the trailers, noting it cost Central Oregon about \$50 in gas to do so. Motion was voted on and failed.

Rex Bounds moved to suspend the rules and Practices and Procedures concerning the Parliamentarian furnishing new Practices and Procedures to all officers, delegates and appointed officers at the September meeting for one year, seconded by Buzz Buczkowski. Question was called, motion was voted on and carried unanimously.

DELEGATE REPORTS

BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL. Bonnie Berry announced that Leonard Snodgrass had developed a website that would list all square dance lessons across the United States. The website address is "learn2squaredance.com."

Bonnie reported the Blue Mountain Council had troubles. At their last meeting, the Treasurer was the only officer to attend, so there was a no quorum and new officers were supposed to be elected. She asked that delegates contact her on how other Councils are operated so they can consider reorganizing. Please contact her at 1801 "Y" Avenue, LaGrande, OR 97850 or e-mail her at bberry@eoni.com.

The Elkhorn Swingers of Baker City caller had moved and Dale Counsell, caller for the LaGrande Star Promenaders, offered to call once a month for them while they are in transition. They will celebrate August 18th at Max Square in LaGrande and other demos are

being planned (Written report submitted).

CENTRAL OREGON COUNCIL. Virginia Meyer reported the Bachelor Beauts are busy, with new officers taking their positions. They are encouraging new dancers to attend dances and to “angel” at lessons, which will start in January. The Detroit Lake camp out is being planned.

The Bachelor Beauts and the Swinging Mountaineers will do a demonstration at the Bend Wal-Mart on August 18th.

The High Lake Swingers installed new officers and planned the coming year’s activities at their last meeting, including a trip to Leavenworth in October and co-hosting the Fort Rock Hoedown in September. They will dance in the Midstate Electric (LaPine) parking lot on August 18th.

Swinging Mountaineers Plus Club had a successful fund raiser manning the food booths at the Sisters Rodeo, which supports their callers and cuers for the year. The Birthday Dance in May was enjoyed by a good group of enthusiastic dancers. The Club is hosting a bus trip to the Independence Wagon Wheelers in Rickreall on September 8th and will co-host the Fort Rock Hoedown the 21st, 22nd and 23rd of September.

The Central Oregon Area Council clubs participated in the Senior Fair at the Deschutes Exposition Center in Redmond on June 13th and promoted the 2001 Summer Festival there. The 2002 Central Oregon Roundup will be held at the Crook County Fairgrounds in Prineville. There are at least 60, and possibly 80, full hook-up RV spaces available.

She noted Bob Towe (former dancer) passed away on June 11th after a long illness and extended sympathy to Marie and the family.

Virginia noted that Hal had made the gifts of red obsidian that all the officers and delegates received and that Al Middle from the Sagebrush Shufflers made the name placards for all the callers and cuers for 2001 Summer Festival (Written report submitted).

EASTERN OREGON AREA COUNCIL. Lorene Griffith reported the Hermiston Square Knots had a successful Hat Rock camp out and dance the first weekend in June. The Square Knots are dancing on the 3rd Friday though September - watch the When and Where for the new schedule.

The Grand Squares finished their 2000-2001 dance season with a potluck at Paradise. They will begin their new dance season on Saturday, September 22, in Condon, at Gilliam County Fairgrounds and will be dancing in several locations, so be sure to check the When and Where (Written report submitted).

EMERALD EMPIRE COUNCIL. Angie Barta reported the Emerald Empire Council had a good sized group in Anaheim to support the 2005 Convention bid and enjoyed Disneyland, the parade and dancing. The Area Council held a potluck for all new and old officers and delegates, with a meeting afterwards. Plans are well under way for Blitz Day on August 18th, with the main caller being Mike Sikorsky, and including Don Marshall, Dale Hornburger and Kirby Goode. Mike Sikorsky will also call the Wagon Wheelers dance that evening and Cast-A-Shadow’s A-2 and Plus Dance on Sunday.

INTERSTATE HIGHLANDERS. Cathy Pochatko commented that dancing during the parade at Disneyland was a wonderful experience and that the spectators' faces were a wonderful sight. She said the Tule Twirlers Hoedown in April was a huge success. Their classes will be Mondays through the summer. Their dances are every other month, odd months. Happy Huggers are dark for the summer. They have several dance demos set for Square Dance Week and are having a raffle for the Blitz with a grand prize of \$500.00, plus many additional prizes. Cathy offered to take the "artifact" for 2002 National Square Dance Convention. Barbi commended Cathy for all their plans for Square Dance Week (Written report submitted).

LINCOLN TILLAMOOK COUNCIL. Buzz Buczkowski thanked Summer Festival for the good time. He said the Coast Swingers had a float in the Tillamook Dairy Days Parade, which led to inquiries about square dancing. Their rotating new dancer class had three squares, including angels. They are enjoying the many visitors at their dances this summer and their next big dance will be Garibaldi Days on July 28. A 13-year old girl in their new dancer class entered the Humane Society's poster contest for "Be Kind to Animals" and won first place among 5000 entries. Another youth entered a poem about her grandmother in a national poetry contest and is one of 20 finalists nationwide.

Sea Twirlers, the area's traveling club, had been out and about the coast and valley visiting various clubs.

The Toledo 49ers had five couples attend the National Convention in Anaheim, who had a great time and enjoyed meeting dancers from all over the country and other nations. They were proud that their caller, Charlotte Jeskey, was on the program. They have several demo dances scheduled for the next few months at various locations, including Blitz Day. The 49ers will celebrate their 52nd birthday on August 4th and invite all square dancers to join in the celebration.

Barbi urged Buzz to submit articles about the youth winning contests to the OFN so everyone could read the good news.

MID-WILLAMETTE AREA COUNCIL. Harriet Livingston said she was very impressed with the enthusiastic visitations at various events such as Mid-Winter by the 2001 Summer Festival Committee. Plans are in place for Blitz Day dancing on the front steps of the Capitol, with Les Seeley acting as emcee. One of the area clubs that started lessons in January graduated 12 students in June. She noted that Les Seeley's marketing seminar was far superior to the seminar she attended at Anaheim. Capitol 8's were in the Iris Festival Parade and used the state trailers. She was proud that the clubs receiving the Wood Award and Chairman's Award (the Independence Wagon Wheelers and the Capitol 8's) were both from the Mid-Willamette Area Council. Barbi noted the Capitol 8's won yesterday's balloon toss.

PORTLAND AREA COUNCIL. Bill Rooper said PAC officers for 2001-2002 were installed at a picnic meeting at North Clackamas Park on June 18. He noted this will be his last year as delegate. PAC participated in the Rose Festival Dance on June 3; the International Showcase at the Coliseum; the dancing at Riverfront Park on June 5 and 7; and the Rose Festival Starlight Parade. The BnB's and Canby Cloverleaf's won a prize in their division for their entry in the Starlight Parade. They finished off the month with the regular fifth Friday dance on June 29. The PAC plans to dance at the Jantzen Beach Mall and the Columbia

Gorge Plus Club at Peyrolez Pasture on August 18th (Written report submitted).

ROGUE SIS-Q AREA COUNCIL. Rex Bounds said their Council will dance for Blitz Day at the Rogue Valley Mall in Medford. They danced at the Josephine County Fair, and were allowed free entry in square dance attire. Siskiyou Stompers danced July 4 in Lithia Park, with 15,000 people watching the parade and shopping at the booths in the park. He invited all to attend the Diamond Lake Festival (Written report submitted).

SOUTH COAST AREA COUNCIL. Karel Morris reported that many of the South Coast Area dancers attended the 50th Anniversary Party Dance for Dale and Betty Roberson the first weekend in June in Roseburg. The Beachcombers held a very successful 48th Birthday Dance prior to the 4th of July and will host the 2nd Annual Battle Rock Dance on Labor Day weekend.

The Saints-N-Aints will be dark in July and possibly August, but are continuing Phase 3 and 4 Round Dance classes. Lessons will begin October 14. Plans are progressing for the Coastal Fanta-Sea on Labor Day weekend.

Sets in Order will hold their Birthday Dance on October 13th with all singing calls being gospel songs. Lessons will begin in September.

Skyloft Squares members continue to get together socially, generally for eating. A fall camp out is in the works.

Unfortunately, Karel reported the South Coast Area dancers are not enthusiastically jumping on the band-wagon for the Blitz in August and will probably be dark.

SUNSET EMPIRE COUNCIL. Mac Wilcox reported that statements made at the last Federation meeting about the demise of the Clatskanie Promenaders have turned out to be premature. They were advised that Charters were hard to come by and there were other avenues to pursue. So they decided to become a traveling club, with one dance a year, in order to retain their Charter and badges. Sylvia Davis will be the Area Council representative for the Sunset Empire. The Astoria Hayshakers and the Council of Seaside are co-hosting a dance that they wish to make an annual event if it's successful.

TUALATIN VALLEY COUNCIL. Carolyn Bosch said the TVC installed their new officers at the meeting last month. They participated in the Hillsboro 4th of July parade on a float and handed out class lessons flyers throughout the council. The TVC and the PAC will be dancing at the Jantzen Beach Mall for the Blitz and the Sunset Promenades at the Garlic Festival in North Plains.

Plans are underway for the State Meeting in September and packets have been handed out with information in them.

The September 5th Saturday dance will be held at the Hahn Barn, which is a century farm, with a wonderful barn for dancing. Carolyn invited everyone to attend, noting directions would be in the OFN.

They are planning the annual TVC/PAC Joint Meeting in December. (Written report submitted).

Barbi reminded everyone that there would be a training session at the September state meeting that all incoming and outgoing officers should attend. She also reminded everyone that the Practices & Procedures manuals needed to be passed to incoming officers and delegates, as well as any files belonging to a particular office.

UMPQUA AREA COUNCIL. John Hernandez said the Umpqua Area Council would be dancing for Blitz Day at Sherm's Market in Roseburg and the Pioneers and Petticoats will be dancing in Canyonville at the end of Square Dance Week.

ACTIVE GOODWILL AMBASSADOR REPORTS

TIM AND KATHY ROBERTS. Tim said they had been very busy over the past two months, joining the Toe Draggers on a visitation at the Hillsboro Hoedown for their second dance in May. In June, they went to the farewell dance of the Clatskanie Promenaders but are glad reports of its demise turned out to be premature. They attended the Washington State Summer Festival in Ocean Shores, which had a great crowd, with almost 2,000 dancers. The biggest event of the summer was the 50th National Square Dance Convention in Anaheim, dancing to consecutive tips by Dan Nordbye, Mike Seastrom, Mike Sikorsky, and Deborah Parnell-Carroll-Jones, capped off by a quartet of all four. Tim was impressed by the number of people who expressed their pleasure at the possibility of returning to Portland in four years.

DICK AND MARGE PENTECOST. Marge said they had enjoyed helping at Anaheim and noted the round dance cuers at the National Convention were every bit as impressive as the callers! She said her report would be included in the minutes. Highlights of the report included attending Portland Area Council monthly meetings as delegates of Columbia Gorge Plus Dancers, attending the Lone Grand Squares' annual club picnic and dance at Paradise Ranch, as well as participating with Columbia Gorge Plus, Swap and Swing Square Dance Club, Bachelor Beauts, Swinging Mountaineers, Sagebrush Shuffler's, Hermiston Square Knots, River City Dancers, Fort Dalles Riders, and Roundalab Convention that preceded the square dance convention (Written report submitted).

RAY AND BETTY JONES: Ray said they had attended Washington's Summer Festival at Ocean Shores, Washington, and then went to Anaheim for the 50th National and the Oregon bid for 2005. Lee and Barbi did a tremendous job and Ed Warmoth's talk and presentation were excellent. After the Nationals, they went up to San Simeon and toured the Hearst Castle. They have really enjoyed this Summer Festival (Written report submitted).

DON AND KAREL MORRIS. Karel Morris reported hosting a South Coast Area meeting at their house, saying it might be the new plan because there was a better attendance than at many previous meetings. They attended the National Convention in Anaheim. While traveling to Anaheim, they ran into the Ashwills at a rest area and Jack and Rosemary Williams on a tour of Catalina Island, showing what a small world it is and saying it was fun to see familiar faces in unexpected places. They helped Ron Schmit set up the Showcase of Ideas and placed the western scarves around the necks of all the Oregon supporters,

automatically giving a hug! They also were able to see Nancy Morrissy and give her a hug (Written report submitted).

BENJAMIN AND PENNY BROWN. Marilyn Schmit said she would e-mail the Brown's latest update to Nancy. Highlights included their attendance at the National Convention at Anaheim. They traveled to Anaheim via the Oregon and California Coasts and from Anaheim were going on to Las Vegas, St. George, Utah, and Zion National Park.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Dave Cooper said the dance to meet the state officers following this meeting started at 12:00 noon, and he asked everyone to "speak fast."

Jodene Hughes thanked all the Summer Festivals, past, present and future. She reported the Heavenly Hoedown had six squares on the floor.

Don Bramhall thanked Barbi and Lee for leading by example, noting they always showed up for visitations ahead of him! He suggested keeping in close touch with the clubs could be a benefit for future Festivals.

Fran Bunch reminded everyone she needed to have lesson information by August 10th.

Ray Jones asked Barbi to let all the officers and delegates know the meeting would not adjourn until everyone was registered for Mid-Winter and that registration forms were available.

Marilyn Schmit said after the last Federation meeting, where new name plates for officers and delegates made their debut, she received a package from the Bag Making Company of America, which contained specially made pouches to place the name plates in for protection, courtesy of Karel Morris. Stationery and envelopes are available for anyone who needs it after the meeting.

Harriet Livingston heard a comment from a gentlemen standing near her at the bid session for the National Convention, who had attended at least 10 bid sessions, and said that Oregon's presentation was the best he had heard.

Buzz Buczkowski said they "smoked" Ray Jones on their trip up Highway 20 between Corvallis and Newport!

Cathy Pochatko said some of the Councils had asked how she got so much accomplished and her response was "intimidation, fear and straight to the point, do you want to continue to dance?"

Kay Rogers pointed out, and commended, the Councils who had sought out places and opportunities for Square Dance Week and Blitz Day. And whether or not a Council gets new dancers, those efforts re-enthuse one's own members. She suggested focusing on the positive, eliminating the negative, and those attitudes would be passed on to other dancers. Also, she had advance registration forms available for the 54th National Square Dance

Convention.

Ed Warmoth said a lot of other people's efforts went into putting together the Power Point presentation that was made at Anaheim.

Lee Ashwill said anyone who attended a National Convention and was bored, should go with Dee Gaffke, who has a lot of excitement.

ADJOURN. 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Cobb
Recording Secretary