

Folk, Round and Square Dance Federation of North Carolina Council Meeting – May 17, 2014

The quarterly Spring Council Meeting of the Folk, Round, and Square Dance Federation of North Carolina was held at the Lindley Recreation Center, 2907 Springwood Drive, Greensboro, North Carolina hosted by the Swinging Stars, May 17, 2014. President, Sharon Baldwin called the meeting. She led us in a round of applause for the Swinging Stars to thank them for a wonderful job of hosting the dance.

Ron Ingano, our new chaplain, lead us in prayer. Ron asked us to keep Curtis and Braxton Buchanan in our prayers, Braxton's brother has passed. Pray also for Mo Grindall's family he was a past-president, and has passed away .Please pray for Jim and Sandy Duncan, Penny Lewis, Tom Morgan, Barbara Doriski, and Monk Moore. Email Ron at rbciggy@embarqmail.com or call 910-485-0745 with any prayer requests.

Sharon encouraged everyone to please review the past Council minutes and Treasurer's Report for voting at the end of the meeting.

Constitution and By Laws: Tom and Betsy Wallace reported everything is ok.

Square Dance Program: Sharon reported Bo sent 53 emails, 1 letter and 1 phone call. Received 24 responses with 18 on the program.

Round Dance Program: Ken Birkett reported 6 invitations were sent, 3 are on the program.

Line Dance Program: Sharon reported 3 letters sent, and 2 on the program.

USDA: Ed and Lynda Willis reported they have been processing requests for USDA approximately 2 years and enjoy bringing this service to dancers in the Federation. We plan to continue if the Federation needs us. 38 clubs are part of the USDA program to date. 5 clubs have said no. 14 clubs have not contacted us. All certificates have been mailed. Please email us if you have not received yours. USDA is hosting two insurance seminars for those going to the Nationals in Little Rock June 23, 2014. Certificates have been emailed to the appropriate club presidents. If you have any questions, please contact Ed and Lynda at EandLWillis@gmail.com. This is the best way to reach us. Ed and Lynda are helping with the 2015 64th USDA convention and traveling a lot. For all clubs, please remember when a class graduates and joins your club, you need to pay for insurance for them and add everyone to the roster. All forms are available at USDA.org. You insurance may be cancelled if these steps aren't followed. Accidents need to be reported ASAP. It is better to submit a form even if it is minor, in case the dancer finds out at a later date their injuries are more serious than first thought. Please make sure your email and address are current in the Promenade. We use this as reference for all USDA mailings.

State Convention: Lesley reported the 2014 25th NC State Convention is coming August 15 and 16, 2014, to the North Raleigh Hilton. Carolina on My Mind is the theme this year. Schedule is basically the same fun filled one as last year. 2 halls, early rounds, 3-5pm for early dance party. Phase and other varieties of workshops, clinics, educational seminars, with 2 high-energy halls this year. Room rate will be \$95 per night. Cut-off date for making these reservations is July 15. New graduates will get in free if their club submits the free admission form. The best club poster, for the Parade of Clubs, has a top prize of \$100. Susan Morgan is our new Fashion Show Chairperson and wants to feature outfits from across North Carolina. These may be made by hand or purchased outfits. She would like to have 20 couples to participate this year. The link is up on the website, ncstateconvention.com. See Cort Boylan, for advertising, and Bob Walker, for tickets and more information, both at the tables in the back.

Publicity: Jerry Locke reported emails have been distributed to Regional directors. These should be taken to your individual clubs to share all information.

Membership: JD and Kathy Quinn received 1 new application for membership but it was not received in time to visit. This club will be visited and then submit them for consideration at the August meeting during NC State Convention.

Publications: Pam Becker reported 26 clubs submitted and receive her Honorary May Flower award for their efforts. New articles for the next Promenade will be accepted until August 1. Please email her any club letters, comments and feedback at NCpromenade@gmail.com.

Sharon announced our new Advertising Editors, David and Christina Atkins. They have been square dancing for years and have already sold many ads. They have a table set-up today for you to purchase advertising to go in the next 3 publications of the Promenade. They've volunteered, good job!

Parliamentarian: Ed and Beverly Dickinson reported all is fine.

Historian: LaTrelle Batten reported things are going well. Tom is better and working to get all data on the computer. If you have or know anyone that has, information from 1951-57 data is needed, especially the 1957 Constitution and Bylaw history. Bob Harrelson has passed, does anyone know his children or have contact information they can share.

President's Charity Ball: Jack and Linda Cauble have met and given Regional Directors 2014 Hospice tickets for distribution and kick-off of this year's drive. Clubs, please encourage everyone to sell tickets and remember all money comes back to NC Hospice. Let's work to make this the best drive we've had. Contact local Walmart, Lowes Food, and Food Lion to ask if volunteers can collect for Hospice outside. Please contact Jack and Linda if you have any questions or need any help. Jack reported the Chair City Squares raised \$1700.00 one time at the local Walmart. Remember that most of the money will come from ticket sales.

Selection Committee: Roger Routh reported the nominations are in for Hall of Fame and Golden Slipper awards. Awards will be given.

Regional Directors: Roger Routh asked everyone to raise 25% more for Hospice during this year's drive. The money raised will go to your county, too. Chuck Hicks said 5% goes to the State but is invested back into local training, etc.

State Outfit: Sharon reported we are looking for someone to head this up. Virginia does have some outfit packets made up, please let her know if you need one.

Promotional: Pat Stewart reported the showcase to be displayed at the upcoming 2014 Nationals in Little Rock, Arkansas, is coming together. Minnetta Morgan asked all NC callers to send her their schedule or flyer to be displayed. A current Promenade will be displayed and mints manufactured in NC will be handed out. Please also see Pat and Chuck Stewart, and, George and Barbara Doriski.

Web Page: Patty Greene has updated the site recently. Please let her know if you are having any problems.

Research: Minnetta Morgan reported our next dance will be August 15 – 16 at the NC State Convention in Raleigh, NC. Good place to dance hope to see everyone there. Our fall dance will be November 15, 2014, hosted by the Spinning Moors, again at Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Statesville, NC. This is a good place to dance and we had a good crowd last year. The invitation was made by the Chair City Squares to host the 2015 winter dance on February 21, 2015, at Ballpark Road in Thomasville, NC. Minnetta made the motion to accept this invitation, Ed Willis seconded and the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tom Morgan made the motion to accept the minutes as written, Ralph Kornegay seconded, and the motion carried.

Tom Morgan made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Mary Ann Kornegay seconded and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sharon made a presidential appointment, Chuck Hicks will assist with treasurer duties as liaison to the local bank.

It was reported that the Triangle Square Dance Alliance (TSDA) has brought forward a proposal to build a booth for display at the NC State Fair in October 2014. The Federation would help subsidize this effort with \$800 for the booth materials and \$400 for promotional materials to hand out. Vance McDaniel made the motion, discussion ensued. There is about a 5% turnover of booth space at this venue. Chuck Hicks can contribute older promotional material. The TSDA has volunteered to man the booth, all dancers are welcome to help. The booth will have square dance brochures, running videos of square dancing, the Federation banner and many more square dance decorations. The TSDA will have the booth ready and all material displayed for submission to the NC State Board by July 1, the deadline. Pam Becker seconded the motion and motion carried.

Sharon appointed a new Nominating Committee: LaTrelle Batten, Bob and Virginia Walker and Bill Bradshaw.

Motion "to adjourn" was made by Chuck Hicks and seconded by Chuck Stewart. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Pat Bierley

Paid Attendance Totals 120
Callers, Cuers, Spouses 19
Hall of Fame and Golden Slippers 2
Total Attendance = **141**

Attendance Trophies:

2nd Warsaw SeeSaws- Total 4
1st Camping Squares- Total 25

Percentage Trophies:

2nd Warsaw SeeSaws- 22%
1st Camping Squares- 43%

Club Attendance:

76ers- 2[†]
Angier Twirlers- 8[†]
Belles & Beaus- 2
Boots & Bows- 1
Buoys & Gulls- 2[†]
Camping Squares- 25*[†]
Cane Creek Cruisers- 3[†]
Capitol Squares- 2
Cardinal Squares- 4[†]
Carolinians- 8[†]
Cary Cross Trailers- 6[†]
Chair City Rascal Lines- 1
Chair City Squares- 2[†]
Dallas Do Sa Do- 2
Diamond Flippers- 2[†]
Golden Dippers- 2
High Mountain Squares- 2[†]
Lincoln Squares- 2[†]
Matrix Squares- 10[†]
Mayberry Squares- 7[†]
Merry Mixers- 6
Model As- 13[†]
Pope Promenaders- 11[†]
Randolph Squares- 4
Salem Squares- 9[†]
Sandpipers- 2[†]
Scottish Twirlers- 3
Smiling Squares- 3
Spinning Moors- 9[†]
Square Heels- 6[†]
Squar'N'Aders- 9[†]
Star Twirlers- 4
Swinging Stars- 15[†]
Triangle Square Dance Alliance- 4
Warsaw See Saws- 4*[†]
Yellow Rockers- 4

* Sent in letter to compete in Club Attendance and Percentage Trophies.

† Club members signed in and attended NC Federation Council Meeting.