

**PENNSYLVANIA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE FEDERATION**  
**Minutes of October 3, 2010**

The PSRDF met on Sunday October 3, 2010 at the Radisson Greentree, Pittsburgh. Six Federations/Associations were represented: Allegheny Valley Federation – 5 members, Central Pennsylvania Association – 6 members, Federation of Delaware Valley – 1 member, Laurel Mountain Federation – 3 members, Susquehanna Valley Association – 6 members, Western Pennsylvania - 15 members.

**Call to Order:** Bill and Ruth Buehler, Presidents, called the semi-annual meeting to order at 1:00 pm. Bill Flick opened with a silent invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Secretary’s Report:** Copies of the April 11, 2010 meeting were previously sent to all attendees of the meeting. There were no additions or corrections of content from the membership and the minutes were accepted as sent with the exception of a spelling error that was already corrected. Motion – Clyde Miles Second – Barb Schreiber

**Treasurer’s Report:** Submitted by PSRDF Treasurers, Ken and Carol Graham Report was accepted as submitted. Motion – Judy Miles Second – Donna Earnest.

<b>PENNSYLVANIA SQUARE &amp; ROUND DANCE FEDERATION</b>					
	<b>Treasures Report for period 4/01/10 to 9/30/10</b>				
		<b><u>Checkbook</u></b>			
Balance 10/1/10					\$4,793.20
Income from 10/1/09 to 3/31/10					\$67.00
Expenses from 10/1/09 to 3/31/10					<u>\$3,850.65</u>
Balance as of 3/31/10					\$1,009.55
	<b><u>Income</u></b>				
2010 dues		<u>\$67.00</u>			
Total		\$67.00			

<b><u>Expenses</u></b>					
John Martin (farm show exp)		\$15.00			
Joe Nardi (18 Conv seed money)		\$1,000.00			
Convention Breakfast		\$530.65			
Convention Winners		\$75.00			
Promotional Program		\$30.00			
New Dancer Program		\$2,200.00			
		\$3,850.65			
<b><u>CD's</u></b>					
1 year CD (Due 5/4/10)		\$10,000.00			
6 mo. CD (due 5/26/10)		\$4,000.00			
18 mo CD (due5/10/11)		<u>\$5,000.00</u>			
		\$19,000.00			
<b>Total Assets</b>					\$20,009.55

**President's Report:** PSRDF was formed and incorporated in 1991. So we are 20 years old. Membership in PSRDF has dropped from around 3000 in the mid 1990's to around 1500 at present. The number of clubs in Pennsylvania has also decreased. There are currently 55 clubs with a significant number of their members also being members of PSRDF. We refer to these Clubs as Federated. There are approximately 90 active square dance clubs in Pennsylvania. The average club in Pennsylvania has approximately 30 members. Eleven Federated Clubs have more than 50 members. The maximum number of members for this year is 115. Convention attendance has also decreased steadily from over a thousand dancers in 1995 thru 1997 to roughly 500 dancers in the last six years. The good news is that the number of Federated Clubs and PSRDF membership has increased, due in part to the Promotional Programs.

The PSRDF treasury remains healthy, even though there has been a strong emphasis on rewarding clubs that are graduating new dancers. In the past two years we have received 28 applications granting \$6900 to Clubs graduating approximately 140 dancers. By adding, the New Caller and the Promotion Programs a total of \$7182 for all three programs has been approved. Administration of these three programs has been transferred to Bill Flick and Barrett and Donna Earnest.

Membership Committee Chairman, Nancy Beckner, has resigned. Scott Brown has agreed to assume this position. He has the expertise to replace Bill Hilborn, creator of the current membership program, who has relocated to North Carolina. We now have in

place a coordinator in each Association to collect membership information which is to be sent electronically to Scott. These coordinators are: Al Pezzuto – AVSRDF; Tom Boesch – CPSRDA; Ted Rotwitt - DVFSRD; Larry & Lynn Crone – LMSRDF; Norm Diefenderfer – SVSRDA; Ralph & Kathy Weigand – WPSRDF. Money (checks) should be sent to Scott for balancing, after which he will forward to the Treasurer. We continue to have some persistent difficulties in reporting, for example, members that are listed with more than one club. Also, some clubs do not report annually, even to list life members. Local persons are required to confirm independent and inactive members. A long term goal might be to, at some point, move membership reporting directly to the PSRDF web site.

A reminder, meeting minutes since March 2006, are available at URL <http://psrdf.org/minutes/>  
Bill & Ruth Buehler

### **Association/Federation Reports:**

Allegheny Valley S&RD Federation: AVSRDF held their meeting September 12, 2010 with 15 delegates representing 6 clubs. Reports from those clubs represented were for the most part positive. Our federation is averaging 3 squares per dance. Clubs that border other federations and clubs are doing very well.

Elections were held at our September meeting. The slate remained the same except for our secretary; Pat Loutzenhiser agreed to take the office. The remainder of the board is as follows: Pezzuto's President, Stiles Vice President, Schreiber's, Treasures.

Two clubs in our federation have ventured on to some new things for their club. New Castle Paws & Taws, who has required traditional square wear year round, experimented with casual dress in July and August. No decisions have been reported as to permanent changes. SVS are trialing round dancing; the trial is over and will be voted on in their October meeting.

Lessons for new dancers have started. One club has 8 new dancers and another club up North is hoping to have some new dancers this year with Gary Bramagin doing the teaching.

I have encouraged our federation to establish a Google Group and there seems to be an interest in it. I will be working with Tony Rock to set up the AVSRDF Google Group.

AVSRDF held our 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Dance. Although attendance was down a good time was had by all. We are presently preparing for our 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Dance to be held at the Salvation Army Hall in Sharon, Pa. and will be hosted by Shenango Valley Sashayers. All the details have not been settled as of this report.

Thank You, Al & Jessie Pezzuto, Presiding couple for the AVSRDF

### **Central PA S&RD Association: The GOOD NEWS.**

The Central Pennsylvania Square & Round Dance Association contributed to the Pennsylvania State Square & Round Dance Convention for 2010 by putting an exhibit in the Showcase of Ideas. The exhibit was created by Frieda Holt and Diana Hershberger of Centre Squares. CPSRDA also contributed a Money Tree to the Chinese Auction. The

Tree was in excess of \$100.00. This was won by a new caller, Don O'Bott from Delaware Valley. This basket was put together by Edwin & Christine Styring of the Country Twirlers. Tom & Phyllis Boesch served as Greeters on Saturday. Mike & Pat Matsko served as Chairman of Services for the Convention.

The not so good news is that the Penn Wheelers Club is disbanding. They will have their 45th Anniversary Dance on October 14, 2010. This will be their last dance. Six clubs will then be left in CPSRDA.

Glen Paulhamus, Caller from Williamsport, PA is interested in trying a dance in Williamsport to see if there is any interest in forming a new club there. At one time there were 4 clubs dancing in Williamsport. He has asked CPSRDA to help sponsor this activity. There are a number of people we are contacting who are not currently dancing, but are capable of doing so. It is a dance for experienced dancers, new dancers and non-dancers. The dance is FREE, FREE, FREE!!!. Even the refreshments are FREE!! Another sponsor is the Masonic Lodge who is offering the hall and providing the light refreshments. Flyers have been sent to the clubs for dispersal in their areas.

October 11, 2010 will be the date for the election of Officers of CPSRDA for 2011. (Respectfully submitted by Thomas & Phyllis Boesch, Presidents, Central Pennsylvania Square & Round Dance Association)

Federation of Delaware Valley: No report submitted

Laurel Mountain Square and Round Dance Federation: The 19th Federation Dance will be held on Saturday, Nov. 6th, 2010 at the Prince of Peace Church in Patton. The dance is 2:00P.M. -5:00P.M. with a ham dinner to follow. We still have plenty of room for reservations, so please try to attend.

The federation had a joint club demonstration at the Cambria County Fair in September. It was well attended by every club. Tom Miller, Emil Corle, and Fred Strang volunteered to call for us. (Respectfully submitted by Ken and Carol Graham, Presidents Laurel Mountain S&RD Federation)

Susquehanna Valley S&RD Association: Susquehanna Valley Graduation Ball for new graduates was hosted by Fair Squares and Gad A'bouts at the Fairfield Community Center. The program was a great success with an attendance of over 50 dancers.

All clubs submitted schedules for the new 2010-2011 Directory. A committee headed by Bill Buehler, compiled and commissioned printing the books of the Calendar of Events for Susquehanna Valley Square and Round Dancers Association. All clubs are in the process of advertising their New Dancer Program using some of the material available through the ARTS, an arm of USDA.

The final report of the Presidents Ball was submitted by Flirts and Skirts and there were 207 dancers in attendance.

All of the clubs signed up for the Visitation Program which was an outstanding success. Eight clubs participated and made 78 visits to other clubs. The total number of dancers was 1,070.

The By-laws were revised and brought up-to-date mainly with changes made to the Visitation Program.

Music has been chosen by Dan Prosser for the 2011 Farm Show competition. Requests were made for all clubs to assist with the demonstrations. A form was passed out to the clubs to sign-up for participation at the booth.

Clubs were encouraged to use USDA website for information that may help in recruiting new dancers and strengthen existing clubs. A discussion was held regarding newly graduated dancers being pushed to attend plus dances due to the scarcity of mainstream dances during their learning period.

It was recommended that the poster "Emergency Call for Medical Aid" be posted in all club locations.

The New Dancer Dance will be held on January 17, 2011 at the Neffsville Fire Hall from 2 – 4 p.m. sponsored by the Caller's Association.

(Respectfully submitted by Tom & Dee Kern, Presidents, SVSRDA)

Western Pennsylvania Federation: The WPSRDF held their Sophomore Dance on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at the Ice Gardens on Rt. 51. The dance was hosted by the Happy Go Lucky square dance club. Callers were Brad Deibert and Norm Shaffor. It was a very successful dance both in the fun we all had and in attendance with 154 dancers. There was a variety of great food, interesting baskets for Chinese auction and a used clothing sale.

WPSRDF continued to have a very active role in our 17<sup>th</sup> State Convention. The General Chairmen, Assistant General Chairmen, Secretary, Business, Social and Special Events, Public Affairs and Tours, and Education Chairmen as well as several Directors were from our federation.

North Hills Squares will be hosting our Fall Festival on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Howard and Donna Williamson will be the caller and cuer. There will be a DBD workshop from 3 to 5 PM called by Howard Williamson and early rounds from 7:30-8:00 PM. The dance will be from 8-10:30 PM. The Fall Festival will be at Parkwood United Presbyterian Church, 4289 Mt Royal Blvd., Allison Park, PA 15101.

The WPSRDF has a handicapped square dance group which is sponsored by the North Hills Squares. These dancers are a diverse group with varying abilities, challenges, and interests. Some students have been dancing with the group for all three years and one student has only been there 3 or 4 times. We have 2 couples who can dance with little assistance. Most of the others need the angels to help keep them on track. We do have the most dedicated angels who come faithfully and dance even when they would rather be watching. We also have parents and caregivers who will assist when we need them. Sue Korinchak spends untold hours preparing and choreographing our dances and readily adapts to student needs. A recreational therapist from an assisted living facility saw the article that appeared in the North Hills Monthly Magazine about our handicapped square dancing group and offered us the opportunity to put on the demo. We set the demo up on our regular dance night that was scheduled to be a dress in square wear night. The audience was a group of about 50 to 75 residents with many of our students' families and caregivers there in support. Twelve handicapped students attended the demo. We formed 3 squares with 12 angels. Sue Korinchak called the hash and she and Sharon Kopp did the singing calls. Sue kept it simple for the dancers, but she did throw in a Grand Square. Our students were very proud of themselves and their smiling faces let everyone know that they were having a good time. After the final bow most of

our students went into the audience to shake hands and thank the residents for attending. It can also report that the handicapped dancers have been invited back next year.

The WPSRDF was invited to have a demo at a public convention for *Diabetes* to be held at the Pittsburgh Convention Center on November 6, 2010.

In July the WPSRDF held a special four hour meeting to discuss problem areas, prioritize them, and develop strategies for corrective action. Several committees were established from this meeting to address these action items. These include: Banner Raid Guidelines, Club Member and Independent Dancer Surveys, Club Incorporation, Friendship Club Revitalization, Lessons and Student Dances, and Dress Code.

Attendance was free and open to all callers cuers, club officers, and square dancers who were interested in supporting square dancing in our area. Chairmen of these committees will report at the next WPSRDF meeting.

Scott Brown has been working to reestablish the Callers and Cuers Association in our area and had a meeting to establish officers and basic goals. They are planning to host a Spring Fling dance in 2011.

(Respectfully Submitted by Tony & Diana Rock, WPSRDF Presidents)

### **Committee Reports:**

#### 17<sup>th</sup> Convention Report: General Chairman Final Report

I will start by giving the Committee a great be thank you for standing by me and for all the help and support, also all the Caller's and Cuer's and extra hand's that helped, and all the Dancer's that attended Convention thank you.

Thursday August, 19, 2010

We started the Convention with a tour of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church. Then we up to Ryan's restaurant with approximately 65 attending. After that we went back to the Conference Center for the stuffing party. We could have used a larger area since we had more help than usual which was very good. The Pre-Convention dance started at 8:00 pm and went till 10:30pm with Tom and Carter calling and it quickly grew in numbers. Some dancer's were not able to attend the convention and came just for that night. There were 10 or 11 squares up. I really had under estimated the attendance; it was a really great turn out.

Friday August, 20, 2010

After the group left for the tour to Flight 93, the staff at the Conference Center made a few changes. They were there for any of our needs, a great group to work with. The tour returned in time for the trail in dance. The grab & go was set up from 4:30pm till 7:00pm. Some dancers mentioned that they couldn't find it. But at 8:00 pm when the ice cream came out they didn't have any trouble then! There was a great assortment of toppings.

At 11:00pm there was an after party 50's dance with D.J. Matt & Maureen Lebo. Once again there was an excellent turn out. The slow dances filled the floor. Does that say something .... perhaps we were all tired and just wanted to go home. Thanks Matt & Maureen.

Then on a different note it was brought to my attention that we had a person moving around in their bare feet which could lead to a problem if they had gotten hurt. Our insurance would have been on our case for not addressing the situation. You all have seen these signs "No Shoes - No Admittance". With the help of others the problem was somewhat fixed.

First Aid reported they only had 1 bee sting, 1 blister, 48 shoe tapings, 7 blood pressure checks, and a few Advil and Tylenol administered. That was great news.

Saturday August, 21 2010

The Callers & Cuers start with their breakfast at 8:00 am then on to the dance floor at 10:00 am. The health seminar was at 11:00 am with 9 attending. The sewing seminar at 1:00pm had 19 attending. At noon a large group of 41 went with the Solo's up the Incline to lunch at the City View Restaurant. The grab & go started at 11:30 am till 2:00 pm then again at 3:30 pm till 6:00 pm. In the afternoon there were two more seminars Tom & Corben in "What's Your Story?" with over 80 attending, followed by Mick & Sue with a presentation on the 2011 Convention in Pittsburgh with about 50 in attendance. For both seminars the room was too small. The afternoon dancing stopped at 4:00 pm.

Mick & Sue organized the Parade of Banners with Carter Ackerman as MC. We started on time and had Deeann Beavers to sing the National Anthem and lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. As Chairman, I introduced the committee for 2010 and thanks were given to all. Thanks were extended to the Callers & Cuers for a great job. Also, thanks were given to the hotel and Conference Center staffs for all their help. The booster prize was awarded to Gary Beatty. Mick and Sue Hopf were introduce as chairman for the Pittsburgh Convention in 2011 and they had their committee stand to be recognized. Bill & Ruth Buehler introduced the state officers and announced the 3 prize winners drawn from the registration sequence list. Each received \$25 since they all were members of PSRDF. Then the visiting VIPs' were introduced. They were Dick & Linda Peterson from the N.E.C. and Bob & Donna Klais from WASCA. They gave away several free passes for their area dance. We ended at that point. We then cleared the area and the Conference Center staff had the hall ready in 15 minutes to start dancing again.

Dancing ended at 11:00 pm in time to start the diehard dancing till 12:00 pm. Then we were greeted with rain outside at that time.

Sunday, August 22, 2010

The Trail Out Dance had 10 or 11 squares up on the floor. There were two baskets not claimed that were raffled off.

Respectfully Submitted by Bob Vanetta (Cindy Vanetta), General Chairman

Below is the Financial Report which covers the final financial activity for the 17<sup>th</sup> Convention.

The convention was a financial success. The \$2,500 (Check # 219) of seed money will be returned to PSRDF along with \$3815.15 of excess funds (Check #223). No funds are being retained by the Business Manager for this Convention and the financial book balance is now zero. A copy of the financial records will be transmitted to the PSRDF Treasurer for auditing in accordance with the Convention Guidelines.

The initial budget for the convention was based on 400 paid dancers at an average registration cost \$23.00. Those approved budget figures predicted a breakeven number at 375 paid dancers. The final average registration cost for all the paid dancers was \$22.55 and there were 380 paid dancers (exclusive of Committee and Staff). Although the registration income was lower than anticipated, the total income was higher and the expenses were lower than anticipated by the budget. Social & Special Events contributed a net income of \$1,982 vs. the budget projection of \$1,050. The Convention Book contributed a net income of \$1,322 vs. the budget projection of \$365. A major difference for the Convention Book was a printing cost of only \$420 vs. the budget projection of \$1,085. Also, the sale of boosters and ads for the Convention Book totaled \$1,792 which exceeded the budget projection of \$1,500.

#### Sound Equipment Bids:

Four letters were sent out on December 28, 2009 requesting bids to provide sound equipment for the convention dance halls. Copies of the letters sent were attached for the records to the 3/21/10 report.

- Tom Manning and Bob Asp submitted a response that they were not able to provide a bid due to a conflict of dates but would like to be included in future bid requests.
- Jerry Goshorn (South Central Pennsylvania Callers and Cuers Association) submitted a bid in the amount of \$2,300. There are no adders or special provisions included with this bid.
- Bob Worley (Crown Records) declined to submit a bid because he had concerns about the ability to provide an adequate sound system with the walls in the conference center. However he is interested in knowing how the convention works out. I sent him an email telling him that in our view the walls proved to be adequate and there were no significant problems encountered with the sound system. I recommend that he continue to be considered as a potential vendor for future convention sound systems.
- The bid from the South Central Pennsylvania Callers and Cuers Association for \$2,300 was accepted and Jerry Goshorn was notified. They completed the contract without any significant problems and the South Central Pennsylvania Callers and Cuers Association was paid the contract amount of \$2,300.

#### Donation to Red Cross:

A donation in the amount of \$300.00 was made to the Chester-Wallingford Chapter of the American Red Cross. The choice of the chapter was in accordance with the instructions provided by the First Aid Committee. A copy of the transmittal letter and the receipt acknowledgement letters are attached for the records.

Respectfully submitted, A. Joseph Nardi and Helen Naimark



18<sup>th</sup> Convention Report: Here's an outline of what we're working on:

- Joe Nardi is working on an updated version of the committee guidelines.
- Joe Nardi, Business Manager, received a check from the PSRDF treasurer as start-up money.
- Barb MacDonald is gathering camping information.
- All of the committee chairs are filled and we're still compiling directors.
- Name bars are being ordered for new chairmen & Directors.
- Joe Nardi has compiled a history of past committee memberships.
- Tom Miller and Carter Ackerman confirmed next year's special dances, workshops and trail dance.
- We have created a PP version of the Radisson layout that is workable and changeable. We'll be working on dance floor configuration for upcoming convention meetings.
- We have been to the Radisson to see their facility and we talked with our contact, Denise Verzi. (Respectfully submitted by Mick and Susan Hopf, 18<sup>th</sup> Convention General Chairmen)

Caller/Cuer Report: No report.

State Folk Dance: No report.

Showcase of Ideas: The showcase was at the National square dance convention in Louisville, KY, June 23-26. The display went to the PSRDF Convention in Johnstown, PA. In January 2011 the display will be at the Pennsylvania Farm Show in Harrisburg where flyers promoting square dancing in Pennsylvania will be distributed.  
Respectfully submitted John and Mim Martin

Membership: Scott Brown will be taking over the membership compilation from Nancy Beckner who has chosen not to continue. Since this function requires some technical expertise Scott was a logical choice. PSRDF President requested that federations/associations retain information until the time of the annual report and not send names and payment individually throughout the year.

Historian: No report

License Plates: No report.

Computer Coordinator/Webmaster: No report.

Ways & Means and Publicity: No report.

State Outfit: No report.

## **Special Reports:**

USDA: Mike and Pat Matsko were elected to be the Vice Presidents for the Eastern Region of USDA. This covers the 13 states including the New England states, the Mid-Atlantic States and Virginia. Their job is to make visits throughout this region to spread the word about USDA. USDA has existed since 1981. USDA is not the United States Department of Agriculture but the United Square Dancers of America. They publish a quarterly publication called the USDA News. This publication informs dancers of the various USDA programs. Mike and Pat encourage dancers to talk about the USDA. You may also visit their web site at [www.usda.org](http://www.usda.org).

PSRDF Audit: President Bill Buehler advised that that the constitution states that we have an audit committee. This year he mistakenly contacted a CPA to audit our books. We received a compilation which is different than a review or an audit. The compilation is a look at our financial records from 2005 through 2010. Our books are in very good shape.

Results of PA Square Dance Compilation September 28, 2010

PA Square and Round Dance Association The CPA compiled the schedule of Financial Condition of the PA Square and Round Dance Association for the period of May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010. He also compiled the (2005-2010) supplementary information.

1. The amount of income actually received is the same as the amount of income that was reported in the Treasurer's Report and the bank statement;
2. The purchases were authorized by appropriate PA Square Dance Program personnel.

For the period between May 1, 2009 and April 30, 2010:

1. All the entries on the attached report are supported by bank statements;
2. All purchases between May 1, 2009 and April 30, 2010 were adequately supported by purchase invoices.

Robert B. Miller, Certified Public Accountant

ARTS: Bill Flick is the representative for the ARTS committee for USDA. Each national organization such as the NEC, Callerlab, Roundalab, USDA and the IAGSD belong to ARTS. Roy Gotta is working on a promotional program, [info@you2candance.com](mailto:info@you2candance.com) for anyone in the U.S. to use.

Recruiting and Retention: Caller Scott Brown made a presentation on recruiting. He stated, "If a fish could talk and you asked him the most obvious part of his environment the last thing he would bring up is water." This is an example of things that people see when they are outsiders but we don't see when we're in the environment. The five marketing principles used are accessibility, identity, sociability, health and fitness, and sexuality. All of our marketing techniques address issues that we find important rather than those important to the general public.

- Accessibility--Most clubs have lessons on a different night than they dance or maybe at a different location but people may choose the club because of

their availability on that evening or maybe the particular location. Don't be afraid to send someone to a different club. We're not in competition.

- Identity—People must identify with our product. Instead of addressing the benefits of the product (square dancing) we must help people identify with it by reaching their emotions. Mandatory square wear may be intimidating. Callers using record players give the impression of something from a museum. we need to use more modern music.
- Socialibility—The social aspect of dancing is very important and clubs should make an extra effort to talk with the new dancers.
- Health and fitness—We want to emphasize the positive physical and mental benefits of this hobby. Each club should have a PR person. This person should take pictures and videos to show to the new dancers.

### **Old Business:**

Site for 2013 and 2014 PSRDF Conventions: The bid summary was passed out. Clyde Miles and Bill Flick addressed questions. There was discussion about the bids presented. Larry Gorski wanted to confirm that Harrisburg was only available on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend. Bob Vanetta asked the purpose both years had to be at the same location. We will select both years but they can be at different locations. *A motion was made* by Tom Bosch and seconded by Judy Miles to consider each year separately.

Discussion followed regarding the positive and negative effects of holding the convention for two years at the same location. Donna mentioned that we are trying to move the convention around the state to give a variety of things to do. There were also other bids than these but the prices were prohibitive. The lack of an elevator at Camp Hill was brought up. There are about 100 rooms on the first level at that location. We have been at Camp Hill 5 times since 1994 and had a very nice profit. State College has also been a favorite among many dancers. Clyde gave some benefits of each location such as at the Hilton a person would not need to go outside. We had originally chosen the second weekend for the convention but have changed it from time to time due to scheduling. Bill Flick advised that we should look at the second weekend because there is another large convention in York on the third weekend that we would be competing with. If we decide on 2013 and 2014 then we lock in the contracted rates. Availability of food was discussed and Harrisburg has many choices. There was additional discussion about why the Philadelphia area was not checked out. Concerns about attendance and support were the main reasons. Bill Flick advised that he would look into the convention center in King of Prussia for later years.

*A motion was made* by Mim Martin to go to the Radisson in Camp Hill for 2013 and seconded by Tom Bosch.

Vote was taken and approved 20 to 11

*Motion was made* by Diana Hershberger and seconded by Tom Bosch to go to the Penn Stater in State College for 2014.

Judy Miles *attempted to make a motion* and Bill Flick advised that two motions cannot be entertained at the same time. However her motion was not resubmitted following the first vote.

Vote taken and motion approved 17 to 16

Larry Gorski requested a recount of the vote. This request was not entertained.

President Bill Buehler stated that as he sees it we have Camp Hill in 13 and State College in 14 and “I’m authorized to sign those contracts.”

Farm Show Exhibit: Tom will be in touch with each federation. John and Mim Martin will set up and break down the booth. There are two events one on Tuesday and the other on Thursday where the audience participates in the dance. There will also be an activity where demos will be done in the arena. The show is from January 8<sup>th</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Central Federation has taken January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Promotional Programs: In the past two years the PSRDF has reimbursed \$5,900 to clubs for new dancers. \$800 was reimbursed to callers for the caller and cuer school program. We would like more promotion and participation of people going to caller and cuer school. Reimbursement is up to \$200 after completion. The third program is to reimburse clubs for promotions. This would include clubs going to a health fair and having expense for copying trifolds. There was very little activity in this program since only \$282.10 was reimbursed over the past two years. Letters explaining this along with the application form will be sent to the presidents of each state federation. All forms are on the web site. The new dancer application is to be sent to Bill Flick rather than the PSRDF president. Promotional reimbursement is 50% of the cost.

**New Business:**

Nominating slate of officers: The proposed slate of officers for the election to be held on April 3, 2011.

President—Barrett and Donna Earnest

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President—Bill Flick

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President—Larry and Margie Gorski

Treasurer—Diana Hershberger

Secretary—vacant We would like to appeal to AVSRDF, SVSRDF and LMSRDF to nominate someone.

ASCAP: The treasurer informed us that the fee was not paid since 2004. ASCAP lost the PSRDF contact information. There was discussion if we need either ASCAP or BMI since callers are already licensed. The president requested that this be verified in writing.

Announcements: Mick has flyers, registration forms, booster sheets, and ad forms available for the 18<sup>th</sup> convention. Larry collected booster names and money.

**Next Meeting: Sunday April 3, 2011 at the Radisson Greentree, Pittsburgh at 1:00 PM.** Executive Committee meeting at 11:30 AM.

Adjournment: As there was no further business to conduct. The meeting was adjourned by the president at 3:16 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tony & Diana Rock  
Secretary