

SVSRDA Business Meeting Minutes  
April 26, 2015  
Valencia Ballroom  
142 North George St.  
York, Pa 17401

1. Meeting was called to order by President Bob Lawn at 6:30pm
2. Prayer was led by Chaplain Norm & Gail Diefenderfer
3. Roll Call of Clubs by Ivy Lair.
4. Recording Secretary's Report by Marcia Gorski. The minutes were accepted and approved.
5. Treasurer's Report by Naomi Fisher. The Treasurer's Report was accepted and approved.

Beginning balance as of Dec 31, 2014	Jan 2015-April 2015	Ending Balance April 30-15
Checking Acct-\$6,978.86	Total Income \$750.00	
	Total Expenses \$1101.80	Ending Balance \$6,627.06

6. Correspondence Secretary's Report by Ivy Lair
  - a. Sunshine Report-Jim having health issues.
  - b. Changes of contact info-See Ivy if any contact info has changed.
7. Reports of Committees
  - a. Nominating Committee for offices of President and Vice President-Voting for new officers to be done after new business
  - b. Showcase of Ideas-Bob Lawn-Bob has old magazines & banner which he will take to the State Convention. Unless someone else wants to have them he will keep and if needed see Bob.
  - c. Visitation Report-Jim Miller-Palm Squares won the awards for Most Clubs Visited and for Most Dancers Visiting-Jim has new cards to hand out. If you run out, use a piece of paper. The new Visitation season starts May 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016. The total visiting dancers this last season was 720.
  - d. President's Ball Report-Star Promenaders-Mary Jo Proctor-There were 195 dancers and 150 dinners for the current Ball. The income was \$1,139.00 which may be net. Mary Jo will need to check expenses. So far there are no volunteers yet for 2016 President's Ball. SVSRDA will host. Bob Lawn is checking on locations since the Valencia is no longer available. Bob is checking on the Wyndham but they are carpeted. They plan on putting in a wood floor but don't know when. PSRDF owns vinyl flooring. It may be possible to work something out with them. Wyndham charges \$300.00 for use of the ballroom, but there is no minimum on the number of dinners served. Bob will get prices on the dinners and see if the Wyndham knows when the floors will be switched to wood. The Flirts and Skirts and Dance A Rounds will handle the refreshments. Al Groth has booked Ted Lizotte as the caller and Linda Prosser will Cue.
  - e. Presidents' Ball Host – April 2016- Bob Lawn volunteered the Gad-Abouts to

co-host but SVSRDA will host. Dan Prosser thinks if the work is split up between all clubs, the work would go fine and the profits would go to SVSRDA. Dee said there are books on what has been done in the past so there is a guideline.

Prossers have the books. Naomi promoted the dance by designing brochure, going club to club, & getting in the Del Val, MSDF, Central Valley publications. There was a suggestion that we get a list of needed jobs and pass out to clubs so they can choose what they can handle. Flirts & Skirts will do door prizes & refreshments Palm Squares will do 50/50 & Publicity. Linda Prosser will give the books to Judy Daniels or Bill Bucher to give to Bob and he will make up the list.

- f. Presidents' Ball Host – April 2017- No volunteers as of yet.
- g. Graduation Ball Host May 2015-Gad-Abouts & Panhandlers will host.-Marcia Gorski-2-pm-5pm on Sunday, May 17, 2015 at the Wacohu Grange Hall, Hagerstown The callers so far are Dan Prosser, Bob Engel, Art LaVigne and Cameron Harnish. Dan said the Callers Association will provide the callers. We will have a sandwich platter, Graduation Cake, snacks & door prizes.
- h. Graduation Ball Host May 2016-Fairsquares will host.
- i. Graduation Ball Host May 2017-No volunteers yet.

#### 8. Old Business

- a. Insurance Program-Tom Kern- Tom would like someone else to take over the insurance. He has been doing it for 10-12 years. There are about 6 or 6 clubs that participate. Gad-Abouts & Panhandlers do theirs through WASCA and a couple of clubs don't participate at all. We've had maybe one claim and they are handled through the insurance company. It can be anyone from the clubs, it doesn't have to be one of the officers or delegates.
- b. Visitation Policy-The visitation policy needs to be changed in the books. The bylaws posted on the internet are correct.
- c. Farm Show Competition & Demonstrations, Jan 2016-Dan Prosser- He has couple of songs picked and they are on track for January.
- d. 21<sup>st</sup> Pa State Convention in State College-Bob Lawn-The convention was not a successful convention. They lost about \$4,500.00. The shortage seems to be in room sales. There were 327 registered dancers and 230 paid dancers. Income was \$12,000.00 and expenses were about \$16,000.00.
- e. PSRDF State Coordinator for Club membership-Norm Diefenderfer-No Changes to report.
- f. PSRDF- Reminder to all clubs to apply for promotional monies in a timely manner for FSRDF & SVSRDA programs. There is a 45 day time limit to apply. The forms are on the internet and there are monies available.

#### 9. New Business

- a. National Square Dance Convention, Springfield, Ma, June 25-28, 2015. PSRDF is hosting a trail in dance in Allentown, Pa with Paul Cote, Caller and Paul Booze, Cuer. Paul Cote is also a keynote speaker at the convention. On June 18,

2015 Swing Thrus are hosting a trail through dance with Ken Bower and Gary Shoemake with Linda Prosser cueing.

- b. National Square Dance Convention, DeMoines, Ia, June 22-25 2016.
  - c. Pa Federation 22<sup>nd</sup> State Convention, Camp Hill, Pa, August 7-9, 2015
    - i. Radisson Hotel, Thursday, Mike Callahan, Saturday, Johnny Preston
    - ii. Letter in packet, Boosters, help needed, convention ad

There is reduced registration fee for mainstream dancers. There is a 3 page letter in the packets. We need to get registrations in and need to bring the numbers in attendance up.
  - d. Pa Federation 23<sup>rd</sup> State Convention, Johnstown, Pa. Having National Callers has been approved again. Jeremy Butler will call on Thursday night and Tim Mariner on Saturday night. The dancers asked for National Callers, now attendance needs to come up to support the decision. We need to promote the Convention. Tom Kern pointed out that the impression that Tom Miller used his influence to get a Saturday night calling spot at the convention is not correct. Tom and Dee asked him and hired him to call. The new presidents of PSRDF are Tony & Diana Rock. The new 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President is Bob Lawn, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP is Pete Wex, Treasurer is Naomi Fisher. Tom and Dee Kern went everywhere to promote the Convention. Dee stated that she is happy to have the convention on this side of the state as opposed to Pittsburgh, which had it for a long time. We need to have statewide participation and promotion of the conventions. Learned a lesson at State College, there was no credit for number of rooms sold the ballroom cost the same. We need to stay away from that type of set or lose money again. Tony and Diana Rock will be the festival chairmen for the 2016 convention and they will need a lot of help.
- Other Business-SVSRDA Books-Naomi Fisher-Dues and visitation moneys are due now. Naomi needs the schedules by June 1, and would like to have the books in the dancers hands by July. Also needs the packets in with patron lists. Naomi would like to sell the books. Ad prices are in the packets. Naomi will put the by-laws in the book as is and at another meeting they will be changes where necessary. It would add about 6 pages to the book and Naomi doesn't think it will change the cost.
- e. Election of Officers. (President and Vice President)-Bob Lawn-The nomination committee consists of Palm Squares, Panhandlers & Pretty Boy Swingers. The nominees for President are Jim & Carol Miller and Vice-President are Jack & Patty Stone. There were no other nominees. Move to close nominations, was seconded and there was a unanimous vote in favor of the nominees.

#### 10. Good of the Association

Next meeting is September 20, 2015 at th Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, York, Pa. At 2:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.