



**BUSINESS MEETING OF SVS&RDA**  
**April 26, 2009**  
**Mechanicsburg Middle School, Mechanicsburg, PA**

1. Call to Order by President, Bill Buehler at 6:26 pm.
2. Prayer was offered by Chaplain, Marti Eshleman.
3. Roll call of clubs—There were 13 clubs present out of 14 members. Ten clubs reported that 81 persons are active in new dancer programs.
4. Secretary's Report—Tom Kern made the motion to dispense with reading the minutes of the last meeting and accept them as distributed. The motion was seconded and passed.
5. Treasurer's Report—Jerry Kammerdiener reported Y-T-D beginning balance 5/1/2008 \$2,891.30; receipts \$2,385.09; disbursements \$2,143.03; balance 4/20/09 \$3,133.36 in the checking account and \$2,500.00 in a CD. Dee Kern made a motion, seconded by Willie Kramer, to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.
6. Correspondence Report—Louanna Sturm reported email addresses are up-to-date and extended a "Thank You" to clubs who assisted in today's Presidents' Ball.
7. Comments by President PSRDF—Mike Matsko stated that he and Pat appreciated being our special guests. They had a great time because our group puts on a terrific dance. He sees that this results from teamwork between callers and dancers. He also noted that the Association is going in the right direction and urged us to participate in the promotional recruiting program. He thanked the Susquehanna Valley for contributing the majority of staffing for the Farm Show Booth for the last two years. Mike and Pat will assume responsibility next year, for the Square Dance Booth at the PA State Farm Show.
8. **Reports of Committees:**
  - a. Calendar of Events—Jerry and Nancy Beckner stated Directory packets are included in club folders. Information updates are due June 1<sup>st</sup> so the Directory can be distributed in September. Bill Hillborn emailed last year schedules to clubs as an assist in completing the dance schedule for this year. It is done by simply changing the dates. This is easier than re-typing the entire schedule. We were also reminded to look at last year's patron list to be sure names are correct. Please use maps in 2008-2009 Directory, since two year old maps were mistakenly distributed.
  - b. Showcase of Ideas—Jerry and Nancy Beckner will continue to take care of preserving pictures in an album and maintaining the scrapbook.
  - c. Advertising Report—No committee chair, no report.
  - d. Visitation Report—Nancy Beckner reported 11 clubs were involved in the '08-'09 Visitation Season with 1,157 dancers making 89 visits. Four clubs made all 15 visits and 95 dancers earned danglers for attending 5 or more visitations. Flirts & Skirts received the Plaque with 267 dancers participating. A summary sheet of

where dancers went plus visitation cards are in packets. A \$30.00 fee is due now for the new season starting May 1, 2009.

- e. Presidents' Ball Host 2009—John Donoughe reported a total of 280 dancers in attendance at this year's ball, which was down about 20 from 2008.
- f. Presidents' Ball Host 2010—Dan Prosser reported Flirts & Skirts will host next year's ball at the same facility with Bill Harrison calling. After much discussion concerning the date of the next two President Balls, Steve Zweifach made a motion to amend by-laws by seeking a waiver to change the date for the next two President Balls (2010 and 2011) to the third, instead of the fourth Sunday in April. The fourth Sunday interferes with Earth Day activities at the school. The motion was seconded and passed.
- g. Presidents' Ball Host 2011 -- Steve Zweifach stated that Do-Pas-O would volunteer to host the 2011 Ball.
- h. Graduation Ball Host 2009—Linda Prosser reported dance will be hosted by Flirts and Skirts on Sunday, May 17 at the Monoghan Firehall in Dillsburg.
- i. Graduation Ball Host 2010—Creta Jacobs said Fair Squares will host the 2010 event with help from Gadabouts.

9. **Old Business**

- a. Ruth Buehler urged clubs to apply for PSRDF and SVS&RDA programs to help their clubs get much deserved dollars for promotion and improvement. Ruth reminded clubs about requirements when they apply for money for this year's graduating class. She provided a hand-out (below) for each club describing the promotional programs of PSRDF/SVS&RDA.

PSRDF programs

new caller/cuer schooling support	50% max \$200	
promoting/improving square & round dancing	50% max \$100	2/year
graduates	3 or more \$50 each max \$200	2/year
Requirement for above: club must be 100% federated ( PSRDF members) Guidelines and application forms available on <a href="http://www.psrdf.org">www.psrdf.org</a> under information		

SVS&RDA programs

community awareness	\$25	1 spring 1 fall
new dancer activity	\$25/one nighter	1 spring 1 fall
new dancer graduation	\$25/class	2/year

- b. Ruth Buehler reported there are 50 members in the Central PA Square Dancer Google Group. Bill Hilborn passed a sign-up sheet for anyone who doesn't get Google Group announcements when there is a cancellation or promotion from clubs.

10 **New Business**

- a Nominating Committee Report for 2009—Committee Chairman Bill Gordon nominated Tom & Dee Kern for President, Jerry and Lucy Kammerdeiner for Treasurer with Bonnie Hemperly as assistant treasurer. Motion made to close the nominations, seconded and passed, electing the presented candidates unanimously.
- b National Square Dance Convention, Long Beach CA, June 24-28, 2009—Jerry & Nancy Beckner will attend.
- c 16<sup>th</sup> State Square & Round Dance Convention, Aug. 14-16, 2009, State College—Flyers are available in your packets with information on registration as well as registration forms being available on-line ([psrdf.org](http://psrdf.org)).
- d 17<sup>th</sup> State Square & Round Dance Convention, Aug. 20-22, 2010, Johnstown—Ruth Buehler reported there are three hotels close to Convention Center that are priced below \$100/night.

11 **Good of the Association**

- a Next Association meeting is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009 in Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 150 Jefferson Ave. York, PA at 2:00 pm. Since this church is folding, the September meeting at this location may be in doubt. Tom Kern will select a new location if necessary and will notify every one of any changes.
- b Willie Kramer announced Nov. 15 is the final dance for Schulykill Promenaders. Visitations will be accepted up to that time.
- c Steve Zweifach announced DoPasO has a new location for May dance.
- d Doris Kreiter announced June 26 & July 24 dances will be held at Lititz Community Center.
- e Dee Kern announced Prettyboy Swingers Saturday dance in May has been changed to May 16.
- f Bill & Ruth Buehler received thanks from all attendees for their past leadership as President.

12 **Adjournment**

Dave Kreiter made the motion, seconded by Linda Prosser, to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted Earl & Mary Hicks Recording Secretary