

## **BUSINESS MEETING OF SVS&RDA**

**April 29, 2007**

**Holiday Inn, West Manchester Mall, York, PA.**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A. The April 29, 2007 Business Meeting of the Susquehanna Valley Square and Round Dance Association was called to order at 6:48 PM by President, John Jacobs. Chaplain, Ken Baker, offered the invocation.

B. Roll Call of clubs by Recording Secretary, Dave Meyers; 14 of 16 clubs responded.

C. Secretary's Report - John asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes; there was no response so John declared the minutes accepted as printed.

D. Treasurer's Report - Jerry Kammerdiener reported beginning balance \$2062.00, receipts \$3,222.77, disbursements (incl. CD purchase) \$2,577.92; balance as of 4/29/07 \$2,706.85. Certificate of Deposit expiring 11/22/07 \$2,500; total cash balance \$5,206.85.

Jerry suggested moving all monies to the same bank. Tom Kern made a motion, seconded by Jerry Goshorn, to move all accounts to Peoples Bank. Motion passed.

Regarding our Certificate of Incorporation, Jerry contacted the PA Department of State for a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation. There is a report that has never been filed by the association when there is a change of officers. After the election today, Jerry will send in a current list of officers.

Dusty Miller made a motion, seconded by Doris Kreiter, to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted. Motion carried.

### **II. CORRESPONDENCE:**

A. E-mail addresses - Jay Shuman gave his email address to Creta.

B. Ad for State Convention booklet - Jay Shuman made a motion, seconded by Jerry Kammerdiener, to put an ad in the State Convention Booklet, same size and cost as last year. Motion passed.

C. Door prizes for State Convention - Mary Ann Goshorn made a motion, seconded by Linda Prosser, to give two tickets to the Presidents Ball for the dance and dinner. Motion carried.

D. Status of White Rose Square Dance Club - Bill Gordon stated the club has no intention of folding until they have to; they are looking at a different structure for the club.

E. Rainbow Strollers and Rainbow Rounds made a request to become one club because of their declining attendance. Joe Pryluck made a motion, seconded by Willy Kramer, to combine the Rainbow Strollers and Rainbow Rounds as one club. Motion passed.

### **III. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. Calendar of Events - Dick Carr reported we have made a little money on the SVS&RDA booklets. We will stick with the same plan for this coming year.

B. Advertising Report - Dusty Miller reported we need to promote our New Dancer Program by equipping our current dancers with information to hand out to prospective new dancers; publicize on bulletin boards and in the WITF magazine, AAA magazine, etc. This needs to be done ASAP.

C. Visitation Report - 12 clubs participated; eight were active. Four clubs made all 15 visits - Swing Thrus, Shippen Squares, Whirly Birds and Do-Pas-Os. The winner of the plaque, having 229 total participants, was the Do-Pas-Os. Eighty-one dancers made five or more visits to earn a dangle.

Clubs participating in the Visitation Program next year may start their visitation May 1st and must have their dues in by May 20th.

D. Auditor's report - John asked Jerry to contact Glenn Haagen about auditing the books.

E. Insurance - Tom Kern - no report

F. 2007 Presidents Ball Host - Prettyboy Swingers received applause for a great job.

G. 2008 Presidents Ball Host - Flirts & Skirts - Dan Prosser reported the 40th annual Presidents Ball will be held April 27, 2008 at Mechanicsburg Middle School. John Marshall will be the caller and Linda Prosser will be the cure. The Savoy Restaurant will cater the meal.

H. Graduation Ball Host 2007 - Whirly Birds will be the host May 20, 2007 at the New Franklin Ruritan Community Center, Chambersburg, PA

I. Graduation Ball 2008 - Gad-A-Bouts will be the host.

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS:

A. PSRDF meeting - March 24, 2007, President, Creta Jacobs, reported the new officers are Mike & Pat Matsko, Pres. and Bill & Ruth Buehler, Vice Pres. Prescription cards are still available; you can get 20 to 50% discount when using the card and USDA makes a small profit.

This year the State Convention will have a Trail-out dance Sunday morning. The 2009 convention will be held at the Penn Stater the third week of August. If anyone is going to the National Convention, Pennsylvania will be bidding for the 2011 National Convention to be held in Pittsburgh at the Omni. This meeting will be held Friday at 9:00 AM.

They're looking into putting a booth at the State Farm Show to advertise square dancing.

B. Farm Show Dance - Dan Prosser - there were nearly 60 squares this year; they expect to have 60 squares from now on.

C. Articles of Incorporation SVS&RDA - since the association is incorporated, Dan Prosser made a motion, seconded by Jerry Goshorn, to apply for a tax-exempt status. Motion passed.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Nominating Committee for 2007 - Prettyboy Swingers, Rainbow Rounds & Strollers and Schuylkill Promenades got candidates for the offices of President, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. Edith Myers presented a ballot with Bill & Ruth Buehler for President. Jay Shuman made a motion, seconded by Doris Kreiter, to close nominations. Motion carried. The nomination for Treasurer was Jerry & Lucy Kammerdiener; Jerry Goshorn made a motion, seconded by Dan Prosser, to close nominations. Motion carried. The nomination for Assistant Treasurer was Tom & Dee Kern; Jerry Kammerdiener made a motion, seconded by Willy Kramer, to close nominations. Motion carried.

B. Nominating Committee for 2008 - Shippen Squares, Swing Thrus and Unconventional Squares need to get candidates for Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Vice President.

C. Appoint auditors - John appointed Glenn Haagen for auditor.

D. 14th State Convention at Penn Stater, State College, August 17,18 &19, 2007. If a caller gets 10 couples registered for the convention, he will get a free night's lodging. New dancers pay 1/2 of the registration fee if their caller signs their registration; the National Association pays the other half from a trust fund.

E. National Convention 2007 - Charlotte, NC, June 25-30, 2007. As an incentive to attend the Friday morning bidding for the National Convention to be held in Pittsburgh in 2011, each PA dancer will receive a ticket for a raffle for one free round trip airline ticket to anywhere in the USA.

F. Anything for the good of the order - Dusty Miller resigned as Vice Pres. John & Creta appointed Jerry & Nancy Beckner to fill the unexpired term. John said the showcase is obsolete and asked the club to think about what can be done with it before the next meeting.

Bill Buehler said the PSRDF has changed their web server and they have a lot of capacity. They want to make it available to any club to have web pages and they will assist them to linking to the SVS&RDA site at no cost to the clubs. The web site addresses are pasquaredance.org or PSRDF.org.

Mike Matsko spoke briefly requesting our support and help to come up with some ideas to present to our state Federation meetings to develop some enthusiasm among some of the clubs.

Carroll Sturm made a suggestion to use some of the money in our treasury to pay for the presidents to go to the Presidents Ball. No action was taken. Some other suggestions to use some of the money were to market new clubs and pay the clubs for each new graduate as an incentive to help the clubs to defray the cost of the new dancer program. No action was taken.

Linda Prosser reminded the association that no one is scheduled to host the 2009 Presidents Ball. John suggested we talk to

our clubs about hosting a Presidents Ball and we'll discuss it further at the September meeting.

John and Creta thanked everyone for their support the six years they were Vice President and President of the SVS&RDA. John especially thanked Creta for all her hard work.

Jay Shuman reminded everyone of the Shippen Squares 30th Anniversary Dance on September 23, 2007 at the Shippensburg Fire Fighters Activities Center from 2:00 to 5:00 PM.

Bob Lawn also reminded everyone of the Gad-A-Bouts 50th Anniversary Dance on October 14, 2007. Flyers are in the packets.

Dee thanked everyone for coming to the Presidents Ball. There were 300+ dancers. John thanked Tom & Dee for a job well done.

VI. NEXT MEETING to be held September 9, 2007, 2:00 PM at the Grace Lutheran Church, York, PA

VII. ADJOURNMENT: Dan Prosser made a motion, seconded by Dave Kreiter, to adjourn the meeting; the meeting was adjourned around 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Meyers

Recording Secretary