



SVSRDA BUSINESS MEETING

April 29, 2012

Valencia Ballroom
142 N. George St.
York, PA 17401

1. Call to Order – President Tom Kern at 6:45
2. Prayer by Chaplain – Ken & Barb Baker
3. Roll Call of Clubs – Ruth Buehler Eleven of the twelve member clubs were present.
4. Secretary's Report and Approval of Minutes – Bill Buehler Minutes as sent in January were approved following a motion by Bob Lawn with second by Ruth Buehler.
5. Treasurer's Report – Bonnie Hemperly presented the Treasurer's Report. A summary is shown here:
Balance 1/8/12 \$ 7360 + Income \$ 156 - Expense \$ 80 = Balance 4/29/12 \$ 7436
Eileen Kropf moved that the report be accepted as presented. Motion seconded by Bob Lawn and passed unanimously.
6. Correspondence Report – Ruth Buehler There had been no correspondence. Email address list was passed around for corrections and additions.
7. Reports of Committees
 - a. SVSRDA Calendar of Events – Bill Buehler “Event Schedule and Information for 2012-2013 Check List” was distributed to all clubs present. Deadline for schedules and information to be presented in the SVSRDA Directory is July 1, 2012.
 - b. Visitation Report – Bob Lawn & Martha Thompson (Dues of \$30 for the Visitation Program are due by May 20, 2012). Bob noted that a report was presented during the dance when awards for the program were presented. Nine clubs were involved in the Visitation program with 8 clubs making a total of 55 (47 full and 9 half) visits. \$270 was distributed to those 8 clubs. Do Pas O, Flirts & Skirts, Swing Thrus, Prettyboy Swingers and Shippen Squares visited all participating clubs. The first three of these clubs made one extra visit and Prettyboy Swingers made three extra visits. 38 dangles were presented to those dancers who made 5 or more visits. Swing Thrus won the traveling Plaque, having a total of 164 dancers making visitations.

Ruth Buehler moved that dangles be presented only to those requesting an actual dangle, since many dancers already have the dangle. Ivy Lair asked about the making of extra visits beyond the first. Discussion followed. Two rounds of visits may be counted.
 - c. PSRDF President Donna Earnest thanked Susquehanna Valley for holding the Presidents' Ball and inviting Barrett and herself. She noted that the 19th State Convention will be held in Pittsburgh-Green Tree. A Thursday evening dance is planned with Howard Williamson, Tom Miller, Carter Ackerman and Donna Williamson. There will be competition dancing again for this year.
 - d. UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA, VP Eastern Region – Mike Matsko spoke of the many programs of the USDA, including the Insurance Program that provides General Liability and Accident Medical Expense coverage to dancers. USDA provides educational materials for use by dancers and leaders to promote and perpetuate the dance activity. These materials are available on line at no cost. A discount prescription card service is provided where you can obtain savings on average of about 20 to 25 per cent off the retail price.
 - e. Showcase of Ideas – Bonnie Hemperly asked about the progress of a freestanding banner. Such a banner is being designed by Tom Kern and Ruth Buehler, to hopefully be available at the State Convention. A motion was made by Jerry Goshorn that such a banner be ordered. Motion seconded by Doris Kreiter and approved. Bonnie remarked that the existing showcase needs to be transported to the State Convention in August.
 - f. Presidents' Ball Host Report – 2012 – Prettyboy Swingers Dee Kern stated that a final report is not available yet. There were 207 reservations for the dinner. Ruth Buehler stated that a well done applause is in order. (Applause)

- g. Presidents' Ball Host Report – 2013 – Doris Kreiter reported that Swing Thrus will host, April 28, Valencia Ballroom, 142 North George St., York, PA. Tom Miller will be Caller and Linda Prosser will be Cuer.
- h. Presidents' Ball Host - 2014 – What Club/Clubs will volunteer?
- i. Graduation Ball Host – 2012 – Gayle Silverman noted that White Rose will host, May 20, 2012, Eagle Fire House, Mt. Wolf, PA. Flyers are in the club packets.
- j. Graduation Ball Host – 2013 – Gad A'Bouts & Shippen Squares Ed Shrader said that details should be available at the September meeting.
- k. Graduation Ball Host – 2014 – Do Pas O no report at this time.

8. Old Business

- a. Future National Square Dance Conventions and PA State Conventions were briefly discussed. Dress will be casual during the day at the State Convention this year.
- b. Farm Show Report
Arena: Dan Prosser stated that there were 58 squares of competing and 8 squares of demonstration dancers at the show. Several clubs started new dancer programs following the farm show.
Booth: Tom Kern thanked all those from Susquehanna Valley that helped in the PSRDF booth and assisted in demonstration dancing.
- c. Annual dues of \$15 are due today to SVSRDA. Visitation dues are \$30 due May 20.
- d. New Dancers Report - Bill Gordon stated that dances are setup, SVSRDA will pay for refreshments and other expenses, clubs may assist. Clothing sales may be approved by Bill Gordon,

Date	Club	Location	Callers
06/17/12	Flirts & Skirts	Monigan Fire Hall	Prosser, Engle, Groth
07/08/12	Do Pas O	Millersville Lutheran Church	Gordon, Goshorn, Stoner
08/05/12	Swing Thrus	Neffsville Fire Hall	Kreiter, Crumbling, Proctor

- e. Nominating Committee consisting of Shippen Squares, Swing Thrus, and Unconventional Squares nominated: Bob Lawn and Martha Thompson - Vice-President, Cheryl Rakes - Recording Secretary, Ruth Buehler - Corresponding Secretary, & Ken and Barb Baker – Chaplain. Steve Zwiefach moved that nominations be closed. Bill Gordon seconded the motion. Motion approved.

9. New Business

- a. Visitors Jerry and Betty Roberts stated that the Martinsburg, VA Panhandlers are interested in joining SVSRDA. Discussion followed. Ken Baker moved and Martha Thompson seconded that the Panhandlers be invited to join. Motion carried. Editor note – Panhandler Club subsequently voted to accept SVSRDA terms. Welcome Panhandlers
- b. Bob Lawn expressed concern for the bylaws provision that nomination of President and Vice President is to be undertaken in alternate years, since the latter may wish to advance to the former. Bob said that he will present a recommendation prior to the September meeting..

10. Good of the Association

Next Meeting: September 9, 2012 at 2 p.m. – Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 150 Jefferson Ave., York, PA

11. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted Bill Buehler Outgoing Secretary