

## **OHIO CORPORATION OF DANCE CLUBS, INC.**

On November 5, 2006, at 1:04 P.M., the meeting was called to order by President Gordon King, at the Community Congregational Church in Gahanna, Ohio. All areas were represented, as attested by the sign in sheet.

The minutes of the August 2006 meeting were accepted with one minor correction, changing the word "first" to "last" referring to Akron's Kickoff Dance on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Roz Howard; second by Loren Brosie.

The treasurer, Don Garris presented a report showing a balance of \$2131.78; \$1605.78 in the operating fund and \$526.00 in the Mini legacy fund. He was questioned as to why we are back to paying bank fees. He answered that he didn't know why; the bank had eliminated the \$20.00 permonth charge and now reinstated a \$10.00 a month charge.

Corresponding Secretary Irene Dommin stated that Bob Calkins had been approached by a representative of the USDA requesting that he be allowed to speak to the Ohio Corporation regarding their insurance policies. Lots of informal discussion followed. Several Councils in Ohio already have USDA coverage; others have some clubs with it and some without. The consensus was that it would not be worthwhile for him to come from Wisconsin and take the time of the OC meeting, but he should send literature and quotes.

Marianne King reported that she had received a phone call from representatives in Michigan requesting that we support their bid for the 2011 National Convention. Someone stated that the Calkins had already pledged our support towards a Pittsburgh convention that year. The consensus was that we could support both bids to try to get a nearby National Convention.

Sunshine Chair Sally Christiansen reported on a number of cards sent out:

Sep 1- Sympathy card sent to Joan Hammond on the passing of her mother, Florence Miller.

Sep 5- Get well card sent to Mary Lou Duckham following heart surgery.

Sep 25- Get well card sent to Don Gardner.

Sep 29- Get well card sent to Jerry Mahaney.

Sep 29- Get well card sent to Marge Krieger, now recovering from pneumonia. All five of them are or were members of Buckeye Squares, Toledo area.

Oct 3- David Edwards was sent a Get well card, following his third surgery for repair of an aneurysm.

Oct 6- Get well card sent to Ken Kruse, recuperating from recent surgery.

Oct 19- Get well card sent to Frankie Hammond, recovering from knee replacement surgery.

She was told about two deaths in families that had received "Get Well" cards, but no one had reminded her of these deaths. She will send condolence cards.

The group voted to send flowers and a second Get well card to David Edwards.

### **Upcoming State Conventions:**

2007-AKRON: Chair Dwight Witte reported that they had 90 registrations thus far from dancers and 43 from "Staff". Thirty four (34) of the 100 rooms set aside at the Radisson had already been reserved. They will have a "Trail-In" Dance in Tallmadge on the Thursday preceding the convention. The Ohio Corporation luncheon meeting will be in the Radisson at a cost of approximately \$16.25, with a choice of two entrees. Although not on

the registration form, they will have lines, contra and clogging at the convention. Two rooms will be dedicated to Round Dancimng.

2008 CLEVELAND: in the absence of Bob Calkins, Bonnie Leyde gave the report. They have changed their theme to “Cleveland’s Movin’ On Out”. They are working on a new dance outfit and logo. It will be a Friday, Saturday and Sunday convention. There will be a Friday afternoon activity and they do support the BRDC Round Dance Workshop on Friday. They will also requests baskets to be raffled. Due to space constraints, the vendors will be in hallways and the ceremonies will be briefer than previous conventions.

2009 SWONKY: Marianne King reported on their convention, to be held the second weekend in May 2009, without conflicts with events in Kentucky. The convention will be held in Northern Kentucky and they are working on a theme, dance outfit and logo.

2010 Dayton: Steve Hayden reported that the committee he has assembled is debating whether to bid for 2010 or 2011, thinking of conflicts with the National Convention in Louisville and thinking of the economics of sponsoring the convention. He did an analysis between their 1995 and 2006 convention reports and discovered that they lost an average of sixty six (66) registrations per year and was concerned with the cost of providing staff lunches for the numbers involved in lines and folk dancing. He was reminded that costs would certainly continue to rise between 2010 and 2011 and that a year without a state convention would probably have an impact on the following year. Also, if Michigan or Pittsburgh would win the 2011 National convention, that might also impact registrations.

#### CONVENTION PROCEDURES:

Pat Hagenlocker reported on the personality clashes involved in the Central Ohio convention talks. Al Wolff had some remarks regarding the last two State Convention reports, questioning the costs of operating the Round Dance Workshop and the value of selling items as “ways and means”. He also suggested that the costs of providing staff lunches was too high and suggested that coupons be given for lunch at a nearby restaurant for \$5 to \$7.50 off per lunch. In addition, with the snafu with getting Honor Couple badges, that the badge remain the same from year to year, with only a change in color. He also reported on the New England conventions, held in one area of New England two years in a row before switching to another area-with registrations approximately equal to our Ohio convention.

Roz Howard suggested that the 50<sup>th</sup> Ohio convention be put on in a central area, supported and worked on by all federations/councils and that one person be responsible for ordering the Honor Couple badges each year. Bonnie Leyde stated that Bob Calkins is interested in doing this.

A question came up regarding the fines for late convention reports and the section from the February 2006 meeting was read, “starting in 2006, the convention report would be due at the first Ohio Corporation meeting following the convention and that a fine be assessed of \$100 per ninety (90) days late. Roz Howard questioned the interpretation of “per ninety days” and moved to change that to: *“a fine of \$100 be imposed if the convention report is not presented at the next Ohio Corporation meeting following the convention and an additional \$100 for each additional meeting late”* Second by Steve Hayden. Passed unanimously.

## BUCKEYE ROUND DANCE COUNCIL

Loren Brosie reported that the BRDC will hold its second annual SNOWBALL in the Cincinnati area on January 2007 and will also hold a weekend Round Dance workshop on April 20-21 at Buckeye Lake, to be followed by the annual Spring Fantasy Dance, also at Buckeye Lake, on April 22, 2007.

## SHOWCASE OF IDEAS-National Convention

Bonnie Leyde had samples of a giveaway pin in the shape of the state of Ohio, inscribed "the Buckeye State", which we could buy for 15 cents each. Following some discussion on passing out the pins only at limited times, when someone is manning the booth and possibly selling them for 50 cents each in Ohio to diminish our costs, Al Wolff moved that "the Ohio Corporation buy 3000 pins and sell them to councils/federations that want them for 50 cents each and take the remainder to the national convention". Second by Bonnie Leyde. Passed on a 12-7 vote.

## PARLIAMENTARIAN

President Gordon King asked Roz Howard to be parliamentarian. She accepted.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ohio State Fair- Don Garris reported that he has had some communication but no concrete information at this time.

## NEW BUSINESS

2010 National Convention, Louisville. Marianne King reported that they would like help in various parts of their convention committee. More later!

The Kings are planning to visit each council/federation during the year and would like advance notice on times and dates of meetings and other activities.

Next meeting: Sunday February 4, 2007, at same location in Gahanna.

Motion to adjourn by Loren Brosie; second by Steve Hayden. Meeting adjourned 3:25 P.M.

Available for pickup: Flyers for BRDC dance in January, copies of Toledo area PROMENADE, SQUARE NOTES, and SQUARE HI-LITES.