

## Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs, Inc.

The meeting was called to order by President Gordon King on 11/04/07 at the Gahanna Community Congregational Church at 1:03 PM. Following the pledge of allegiance, a moment of silence was held in memory of Paul Spencer, Mary Cousino's son. Ernie Winnestaffer was introduced as a new delegate from Central Ohio, replacing Pat Hagenlocher.

In attendance were the Dommins and Howards from the Akron area, Wolffs and Loren Brosie from BRDC, Kathleen Raleigh and Ernie Winstaffer from Central Ohio, Calkins and Garrises from Cleveland, Haydens from Miami Valley, Edwards from Midwestern Ohio, Gundrums from Southeast Ohio/West Virginia, Kings from SWO/NKY, Cousinos from Toledo, and Bonnie Legacy representing Mini Legacy. All Councils/Federations were represented.

Some items were added to the agenda and attended to following the introduction of past presidents, all of whom are present delegates.

**OHIO SHOWCASE OF IDEAS;** grading form: Bonnie Leyde thought that the form needs some embellishment to make it easier to use. She will email some suggestions prior to the February meeting.

**STATE CORPORATION WEBSITE:** Steve Hayden explained how the website was set up and how it could be arranged so that when officers change, email messages would be automatically directed to the correct person.

**COLUMBUS 2010 CANCELLATION:** Kathleen Raleigh explained that there was miscommunication within the Central Ohio Council, and that she had to miss the meeting when a vote was taken to NOT accept a bid to host the 2010 convention. She further explained that she had committee chairs in place and a list of about fifty people willing to work on a state convention. Her co-delegate, Ernie Winnestaffer, further explained that although he had been willing to be on the committee, he supported CO council's vote not to host the convention. Kathleen further stated that she was still willing to work on the convention. It was explained that only a member council/federation could bid on a convention and she was encouraged to revisit her council at the next scheduled meeting and see if they would support it and submit a formal letter to the Ohio Corporation by December 1.

The August minutes were accepted with one correction; changing Bill Miller to Dave Miller.

The treasurer's report was passed out showing a balance of \$2258.62, of which \$526 is in the mini legacy fund. In addition, there is \$3735.41 in the Education Fund.

Corresponding Secretary Irene Dommin reported receiving a letter from the President of the Central Ohio council that they would NOT support a convention in 2010.

Committee reports:

**PUBLICITY:** Kathleen Raleigh reported that Jason is holding introductory Square Dance lessons with 12-19 year olds who are being home-schooled (and their parents).

**SUNSHINE:**

The Christensens were unable to attend the meeting and emailed in their report:

On Aug. 5th sent Paul Cousino a get well card signed by every body at the State Corp meeting.

On Aug. 5th sent Toad Leyde a get well card signed by every body at the State Corp meeting.

On Aug. 6th sent Nancy Mackey, wife of caller Dick Mackey, a get well card.

On Aug. 22nd sent Tom & Jennifer Strickland a sympathy card on the loss of Tom's father Bob Strickland.

On Sept. 7th sent Eleanor Wolfe, life member Red Lantern Flames, a get well card for surgery last month.

On Sept. 7th sent Tom Rife, Cuer, a get well card for surgery last month.

On Sept. 7th sent Dick Winter, Cuer, a get well card, who is home recoving from a heart attack.

On Sept. 11th sent Sophia Hall, member Buckeye Squares, a get well card for a heart catheter.

On Sept. 11th sent Nora Atkins a sympathy car on the passing of her Caller husband Frank Adkins.

On Sept. 17th sent Lester Hall, member Buckeye Squares, a get well card for a heart catheter.

On Sept. 28th sent Chuck & Beckey Barr, members Buckeye Squares, a get well card, they were involved in a car accident.

On Oct. 9th sent Phyllis Dehring, member Buckeye Squares, a get well card, she fell and broke her hip on a bus trip.

On Oct. 19th sent Paul & Mary Cousino a sympathy card on the loss of Mary's son.

Jim & Sally Christiansen,  
Sunshine Committee

**MINI-LEGACY:** Bonnie Leyde reported that caller Gene Hammond would be the speaker at the Ohio Convention on Saturday at 10 AM.

### **CONVENTION REPORTS:**

**2008 CLEVELAND:** Bob Calkins reported that there were, so far, 110 registrations and that 81 of the 220 rooms at the “convention center” had been reserved.

**2009 SWONKY:** The committee is trying to get a bus to take a bunch of people from their area to the convention in Aurora.

**2011 DAYTON:** Committees are being organized, and Steve Hayden is using information from the other federations to try to reduce the cost of the convention center.

**CONVENTION PROCEDURES:** Since Pat Hagenlocher has resigned her position on the Ohio Corporation, a replacement is needed to chair this committee.

**FRIENDSHIP BADGES:** There has been only one recent request (for a replacement badge), but chair knows of three or four people working to earn a badge. Since there is a discrepancy between our costs and charges for a badge, committee will set a new fee.

**BRDC:** Loren Brosie stated that the BRDC objected to statewide committees to host a state convention. He also reported that the UNIVERSAL ROUND DANCE COUNCIL has changed their activity to “International Choreographed Ballroom Dancing”. Al Wolff reported on two future dances: the 3d Annual Snow Ball in Greenhills, Ohio (Cincinnati area) on January 27, 2008 and the Annual Spring Fantasy to be at Buckeye Lake on April 6, 2008. Both dances are Ph II-III.

**SHOWCASE OF IDEAS, NATIONAL CONVENTION WICHITA:** Irene Dommin has collected buckeyes to be placed on the table for pickup. She also reported that she had about 500 “Buckeye State” pins left over from last year. Also needed were ideas from the various councils as what to put on the Ohio table or tables. Al Wolff moved, second by David Edwards to purchase 3000 more “*Buckeye Pins*” for this and possibly future national conventions. Passed.

The delegates were reminded that dues of \$35 are due by the May meeting.

**DRESS CODE PROBLEMS 2007 NATIONAL:** Some problems were 1) shorts in the Square Dance halls, a line dance leader seemingly improperly dressed in a square dance hall, and callers not properly dressed. The National Committee has this on their agenda.

### **NEW BUSINESS;**

#### **PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS:**

Al Wolff presented ideas regarding changes; 1) to affect changes in the “Education Fund”, 2) to have an item on the agenda at each annual meeting (May) to set the dues for the Ohio Corporation, to set the fee to be collected (from the host council/federation), for each dancer at the state convention and to eliminate any numbers in the by laws or standing rules that relate to fees that may be changed. There were suggestions from the floor regarding rewording of this proposal and a revision is presented as an addendum.

Steve Hayden moved (second by Betty Edwards) that the Treasurer contact the three trustees of the Education Fund to determine how we can change the administration of that fund to be controlled by the delegates to the Ohio Corporation. Passed.

Meeting adjourned 3:16 PM

Respectfully submitted: Al Wolff, Recording Secretary

addendum

**PROPOSAL:**

Eliminate reference to Decisions and standing policies August 1987 “a \$.25 surcharge for paid registrations at a state convention will be given to State Corporation for operating expenses”.

Add to BY-LAWS

Article III Membership, Part 2

Insert after “by the Board of Trustees”. “at the annual meeting”

Article VII, Part 3, J

Insert after “by the Board of Trustees” “at the annual meeting”