

Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs, Inc.
Bertram Inn & Conference Center
600 N. Aurora Rd.
Aurora, OH 44202
August 2, 2009

Call to Order:

The quarterly meeting was called to order by President Gordon King at 1:00 pm following a sit down luncheon. Marianne King gave the invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call:

Judy Calkins called the roll. All areas were represented except East Central. Mini Legacy, the 2009 Ohio Dance Convention, and the 2012 Ohio Dance Convention were also represented. There were 13 voting members present out of 19, thus providing a quorum.

Introduction of Past Presidents:

Paul & Mary Cousino, Toledo
Bob & Judy Calkins, Cleveland
Don & Barb Garris, Cleveland
Dick & Janice Freese, Akron

Introduction of Guests:

Ron & Emily Henry, Cincinnati – 2009 Convention Chairpersons
Dick & Janice Freese, Akron – 2012 Convention Chairpersons

Approval of Agenda:

Roz Howard added a topic to new business
The agenda was accepted.

Minutes of May 9, 2009 Meeting:

Minutes of the May meeting were emailed earlier. Motion by Bob Calkins to approve as presented, seconded by Ernie Winnestaffer. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report shows the following balances: Mini Legacy \$503.90, Operating \$2,444.52, Check Book \$2,948.42, Education Fund \$4,198.13, Total \$7,146.55. It was noted that the report shows 2/1 – 5/09 as the date, it should be 5/10 – 8/2. The ASCAP expense should show 6/22/2009, not 5/22/2009. The Treasurer report that BMI and ASCAP have both been paid for 2009.

Correspondence:

Nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Publicity:

Judy Calkins showed everyone the book mark that Cleveland is making available as a publicity item.
No Report from Kathleen Raleigh.

Membership:

No Report.

By-Laws:

The updated By-Laws have been printed and were available today. Every delegate should have one copy. Two modifications were noted, Article IV, paragraph “appointed be” should be “appointed by” and Article VII, paragraph 1 “help quarterly” should be “held quarterly”.

Historian:

Emily Henry report that she has data up to 1988. Irene Dommin has later data and will be making it available.

BRDC:

Al Wolff stated that the fall dance is on Tussing Road at the elementary school. There will be two halls, one phase 2 & 3, the other a phase 4 & 5. The dance will be Sept. 20th.

Showcase of Ideas - Ohio:

No Report.

Showcase of Ideas - National:

Bob & Judy Calkins took the display to Long Beach.

The display was copies of the website home pages from each area, plus the friendship badge.

A picture of the showcase table at Long Beach was passed around.

Parliamentarian:

No Report.

Sunshine:

Sally sent the following:

Get well cards to: Jim Austin, Tony Speranzo, Lester Hall

Sympathy cards to: Doris Bickley, Helen Sybalsky, Jerry Wolas, Gary Brown, George Heine

Dick Freese request a sympathy card go to George Bickis.

Bob Calkins mentioned that Barry Carney need a Get Well Card.

Mini Legacy:

There was pretty good attendance at the meeting in May for an excellent program. Planning for 2010 is now underway. Bonnie is looking for someone to talk about the history of square dancing.

Site Committee:

No Report.

Convention Reports:

2009 Cincinnati: (Ron & Emily Henry, Chairman)

The final report was passed out. Emily pointed out that the convention made money (about \$8,000) and the attendance was 899. The final cost of the Convention Facilities was \$17,962. Emily suggested a one day event if your area does not have facilities for a two day convention. Their difficulties were related to the variety of halls available and conflict of the music. She also suggested that the Sewing room might be better called the Craft room. The best thing from the convention was that everyone was able to be together for a state wide event. Emily pointed out that the square dance attire allows us to keep our identity. It was identified that the number of people from the various areas is important for future conventions. Fund raisers were significant in this convention making money (approximately \$10,000). It was noted that moving the convention to the 2nd weekend may have had a negative effect on attendance.

2010 Cleveland: (Bob & Judy Calkins, Chairman)

Bob stated that the sound and flooring are committed verbally. He also pointed out that everyone is on the publicity committee. As of now there are 67 people registered. We still need someone for the Sewing Room. As of Aug. 1st, Lima, SO/NK, Toledo and East Central had no one registered. Every area has registration forms, these forms need to be visible, not in the boxes at home. Bob stated that Cleveland will have Bill Boyd, editor of American Square Dance as a keynote speaker.

2011 Dayton: (Steve & Sharry Hayden, Chairman)

Steve stated that the normal August meeting next year would be on August 1. There is no dancing available on that date. Steve moved that the meeting be moved to August 8th, the motion died for lack of a second. Steve will not have Clogging and Contra. They will have Folk dancing and will incorporate Contra in the Folk Dance hall.

2012 Akron: (Dick & Janice Freese, Chairman)

Dick reported that all the committee is in place except for two positions. Over 3000 hotel rooms are available within 10 miles, about 300 within two blocks. The University of Akron has purchased the existing hotels, but they are making some of the rooms available for guest. The best Sewing room ever at an Ohio Convention will be in Akron. An Early-Bird registration is available for people in the Akron area. A Kickoff dance is scheduled for Sept. 20, 2009.

Convention Procedures:

No Report.

Friendship Badges:

Betty & David Edwards distributed a new form. There was discussion about removing item 2.a. from the form. Don Garris moved to remove 2.a from the form, seconded by Judy Calkins, Motion passed. Ernie Winnestaffer moved that the form be accepted with the removal of 2.a, seconded by Al Wolff. Motion passed.

Website: (www.squaredanceohio.com)

Steve Hayden passed out convention history printouts from the website. He pointed out that there is missing information. If anyone can fill in the blanks, please send him the information. Dues for the website are coming due (\$100 per year).

Unfinished Business:

Unclaimed Funds:

Education money is still in the unclaimed funds.

Updated By-Laws:

The updated By-Laws were distributed at the beginning of the meeting.

The per capita from the state convention will remain the same.

Roz requested that the numbering be number/letters, rather than number/number.

New Business:

Ideas for the State Convention after Akron:

It was noted that the By-Laws identify how this should be handled.

Akron Federation Concern:

It was identified that sometimes there is a dancer that is disruptive. She questioned if the club could refuse admittance to any individual. It was the belief of the attendees that the local club can refuse admittance to any disruptive person.

Youth Hall Security:

Judy Calkins reported that the National Convention does not allow dancers over 18 years of age to dance in the youth hall. No decision was made by the State Corporation. Bob Calkins stated that if there is a youth hall in Cleveland, the floor will be restricted to 18 years and under.

National Square Dance Convention – Long Beach

Jim Christiansen reported that the attendance was 4917. Someone else reported that about 700 dancers did not come because of the Swine Flu quarantine rules imposed by countries.

Good of the Activity:

Steve discussed how their council was able to gain attendance at council beginner dances by having a club sponsor a dance.

Adjournment:

Don Garris moved to adjourn. Seconded by Ernie Winnestaffer. Motion Passed.

Respectively Submitted

Judy (Bob) Calkins,

Recording Secretary