

**Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs, Inc.
August 4, 2013 State Corp Meeting
Houston Inn, Mason, Ohio**

Call to Order:

The quarterly meeting of the Ohio State Corporation of Dance Clubs, Inc. was called to order by President Steve Stoehr at 1:30 pm.

Invocation:

Peggy Carney gave the invocation for lunch and the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Representatives were present from 7 Councils/Federations. There were sixteen guests.

Introduction of Past Presidents: Gordon & Marianne King, Bob & Judy Calkins, Don & Barb Garris, and Steve & Sherry Hayden were present.

Introduction of Guests: Guests included Jim & Sally Christiansen, Dick & Edith Davis, Ron & JoAnn Bertran, Dale & Cindy Bennett, Fred & Barb Bennett, Tom & Becky Waters, Maxine Day, Fred & Barb Dorsey, Dennis Budinski, and Mary Galentine.

President: All positions are filled except Membership Chairman, who recruits people to become part of the State Corporation. Judy Calkins is Chair for the Site Committee and Convention Procedures. Don Garris is Parliamentarian.

Vice President: Barry Carney introduced Dale & Cindy Bennett, who began a program called "The Nest", which allows a club to welcome new dancers throughout the year. A new dancer attends The Next to learn the calls already taught at a teaching club, after which they can go dance with that club and not be behind. Use the "Nest" to bring your club's new dancers up to speed.

Recording Secretary: The minutes were approved as sent via email.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Calkins gave the treasurer's report, which was filed for audit. Judy Calkins told us about the gray and red shirts that say "Dancing is great in the Buckeye State. The shirts are \$25.00. Loren Brosie made a motion to sell the shirts as a fundraiser for the State Corp. There was a second by Jonathon Warner. The motion was approved. Barb Garris made a motion that future monies will go into the operating fund. There was a second by Steve Hayden. The motion was approved. Don Garris did the last audit.

Correspondence: Irene told us that the Audit report from Don Garris was the only correspondence.

Committee Reports:

By-laws: Article IV: Add the following statement as # 4. "Allow this group to go out and get someone else to help". Change was approved.

Article II: #2, a. The exchange of ideas to be in the form of a Mini-Legacy presentation at each Ohio Dance Convention. The change was approved.

BRDC: Loren Brosie reported that Gayle Miller is writing an extensive History of Square and Round Dancing. It will be available on a CD or Flash Drive to those interested when completed.

Convention Procedures: Judy Calkins No report.

Friendship Badges: Gordon & Marianne King No report.

Showcase of Ideas: Ohio: Irene Dommin

There was a discussion about criteria for the displays.

What's in it for the seasoned dancers?

Too much emphasis on Convention theme.

Use of electricity.

Pictures must be educational.

More discussion is needed.

Showcase of Ideas: National: Irene reported that there were very few displays at Oklahoma. The Showcase was in a remote location. She gave out about 400 Ohio stickers.

Sunshine: Mary Cousino Judy Nelson read Mary's report.

Mary sent a 60th Anniversary card to Jim & Sally Christiansen.

Get-well cards went to Louise Johnson, who was in a nursing home; and to Leroy Wintrow, a Cuer's husband, hospitalized for food poisoning.

She sent a Thinking of You card to Bonnie Leyde.

She sent a sympathy card to Don Florence, a cuer, whose wife Betty died.

Mini Legacy: Bonnie Leyde sent a written report about the Mini-Legacy at Columbus: Ray Marsch and Marianne Jackson contributed a number of great comments to the program along with much discussion initiated by the audience. Some of the topics discussed were: Caller Contracts, Dance Themes and making the caller aware of it before the dance date, Caller fees including a differential for travel

and lodging, and Round Dancing at Square dances. About 20 people attended the discussion. The State Cooperation officers and audience had very good comments about the program.

Bonnie also included a personal note: "It has been a real pleasure for Toad and I to be the "Chairperson(s) of Mni Legacy" for the past 10 years. Due to my current health, of the State Corp. President finds anyone to take on this position that is fine with me. If no one is willing to assume this position, I will be glad to continue doing what I can for as long as I can."

Steve asked for a volunteer to take over the task.

Publicity: Katie Raleigh has gotten lots of flyers.

Convention Reports:

2013 – Columbus: Final Report: They made over \$18,000 on the convention. ___

It was a team effort, a quality event with activities they wanted to do, with dance functions to make money.

2014 – Cincinnati: (5/9-10) Barry & Peggy Carney

"Building Up Steam in 2014"

Fred Dorsey, co-chair, began the report. You must call the 800 number on the registration form to reserve a hotel room, if you are using one of those listed. There will be a round dance workshop on Friday, Phase 4, with sessions in both morning and afternoon. Credit cards can be used for both Ways and Means and registration. Boxes are out to all Federations/Councils. There are 5 Steam teams traveling to special dances. Vendors have the packets. There will be reciprocal ads in the program booklet. All callers and cuers are welcome.

Cleveland - 2015

Randy and Thelma Duniatis

"Star Thru to Cleveland". At the meeting on July 21 at Bertram, there was a discussion on the use of credit cards. It was decided to use credit cards for registration only. They are working on contents for their traveling presentation boxes. The Registration form is in progress. They discussed the types of events. They are considering Hot Hash, Competition Squares, and a pre-convention singles dance. The flooring has been reserved. There was a discussion of possible room themes, asking clubs to choose a room to decorate per the theme of the room. Special events are in the planning stages—the first to a winery, the second to Little Italy in Cleveland. The Convention outfits will be black pants/skirts with white or black shirts/blouses. Gentlemen will wear a citrus green tie. The ladies will have a citrus green sash with the logo incorporated on it.

2017 – 66th National (6/21-24)

Steve & Beverly Stoehr

Ohio got the bid for the Convention. A Corporation has been formed. 5013C paperwork has been completed. The Convention contract has been signed. 187 have registered for the National so far. Steve Hayden is the business chair for the convention. Marianne King thanked Steve and Beverly for the presentation at Oklahoma.

Website: (www.SquareDanceOhio.com) Steve Hayden

Unfinished Business: 1. Alternates to State Corp: Jerry and Roz Howard will act as alternates for Akron Federation.

New Business:

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Nelson
Secretary