

**Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs, Inc.
August 2, 2015 State Corp Meeting
Crown Plaza Hotel, Columbus**

Call to Order:

The quarterly meeting of the Ohio State Corporation of Dance Clubs, Inc. was called to order by President Steve Stoehr after a tour of the hotel facilities.

Invocation: Judy Nelson gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Akron, Central, Cleveland, Miami Valley, Southwest Ohio/Northern Kentucky, and Toledo were represented.

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

Introduction of Guests:

From Columbus

Connie Williams

Teri Ross

Dave & Sharon Anderson

John R. Hines

Trudy Busby

Nancy Swanberg

Paulette Henry

Lynn LeMaster

Tim Hellinger

Velma Doyle

Fred Moore

Dick & Pat Liston

Debbie Kitts

Sue Williams

From Toledo

Jim Christensen

From Cleveland

David & Cheryl Storgard

President: Dues: Don Garris made a motion that the dues, \$35.00, remain the same. The second was from Steve Hayden. The motion was approved.

Audit: Cindy Warner will find someone in the Toledo area to audit the Treasurer's books.

Vice President: Barry Carney announced that a stand is being made for the State banner.

Recording Secretary: Judy Nelson made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed by email. There was a second by Shirley Monnett. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report: Cindy Warner gave the Treasurer's report. It was filed for audit. Judy Calkins told us that the sale of the State T-shirts would not be pushed until after the National Convention.

Correspondence: Irene Dommin had no correspondence. She asked that we take a copy of the new list of representatives. She also passed out an updated copy of the tri-fold for highway advertising.

Committee Reports:

By-laws: Don Garris had no report.

BRDC: Loren Brosie: No report.

Convention Procedures: Judy Calkins said that the amount paid to State Corporation was forty-five cents (\$.45) per dancer (paid registrations) present at a State Convention.

Friendship Badges: Gordon & Marianne King

Friendship Badges cost \$8.00. Marianne reported that eight (80 badges have been given out. The Friendship application is on the website. It is two pages, but it should be printed so half can be returned to order the badge.

Showcase of Ideas: Ohio/National

Irene Dommin

Nothing to report for Ohio.

Mary Galentine reported on the display at the National, 2015. There were flyers advertising the Ohio and National Conventions. She felt it is valuable to have someone there to talk to dancers.

Sunshine:

Sharry Hayden sent a Get well cards to Jonathon Warner, Toledo; Louise Nokes, Miami Valley; Bev Rudebock, Caller's wife, Akron; Glenn Anders, Cuer; Gordon King, Cincinnati; Barry Carney, Southwest/Northern Kentucky; Gene Hammond, Caller, Akron; Richard Miller, Akron; and Jessica Blackburn, Miami Valley. She sent Sympathy cards to Rose Winkler, wife of Dick, a caller, passed away; and Paul & Karen Lindquest, Miami Valley, on the death of their son.

Education: Dale Bennett reported there are areas throughout the country using the NEST. He is working on an audio-visual presentation for laymen for teaching purposes because callers did not like them teaching the calls. He said that the Nest does not work unless you advertise at the same time.

Dale is concentrating on teaching clubs how to advertise and promote. He plans to interview three (3) couples from different areas of the state to see how their club kept their new dancers. One club will be Appleseed's. Peggy and Barry Carney volunteered. One other couple is needed. Advertising will be the next topic for the Education Committee at the 2016 convention. He said that Social Media is

important to reach teenagers. Most important need is to target the people in their 40's and 50's.

Jerry Story is planning to start a new program teaching 50 calls in all positions. The 50 calls will be taught for 3 quarters. Dances will occur during the 4th quarter. Other calls are supporting him because they are tired of calling to weak dancers.

Jack Pladdys is offering a caller school for 5 months starting in October in Dayton at the Michael Sullivan Pavilion.

Venus Kent, from Dayton, is now working as an Independent Contractor. She will help with preparations for planning an event.

Historian: No report

Publicity: Kathleen thanked Central for the lessons information.

Convention Reports:

Cleveland - 2015

Randy and Thelma Dunaitis

“Star Thru to Cleveland”. The final report was distributed to each Federation/Council. There were 788 dancers in attendance. The profit was over \$5000.00.

Columbus 2016: May 6-7: Mary Galantine reported that were two fund raising events this summer. Ed Laudenschlager will be at the 2016 convention with his MRDD club. After discussion it was decided to make a donation to Ed's group to help with expenses for a trip to Disney world. Marianne King made a motion to donate \$100.00 from the Education fund. Steve Hayden made the second to the motion and it was approved. The donation will be presented to Ed at the convention.

National Convention-2017: Steve Stoehr reported that there are 680 registrations. More registrations were taken at the National in Springfield, but he did not have the exact figures. Tours are being planned. Pre-Convention is coming together. There will be a dance, free to those who are pre-registered, Thursday, the day before the convention begins. Steve said that there is a great board that is working very hard. Packets will go out in December to those who are pre-registered. There will be a board meeting in October and all are welcome to attend. Steve Hayden has added items for fund raising-Mugs, \$7.00 each and totes with zippers, \$20.00 are now available. He is going to promote vacation sites near Cincinnati.

2018: Akron???? Mary Galentine mentioned that whoever hosts the convention should be prepared to present a skit at Columbus in 2016.

Website: (www.SquareDanceOhio.com) Steve Hayden said that the dues were due. Judy Calkins made a motion that the dues, \$60.00 plus tax, be paid. Bob Mace seconded the motion. It was approved.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

- 1. Shirley Monnett made a motion to move State Corporation meetings to the second Sunday. There was no second. The motion was dropped.**
- 2. Mary Galentine mentioned that only two (2) State Corporation Representatives were present at the dance hosted on Saturday, August 1. Our attendance at any Trail-in dance is optional.**
- 3. Cindy Warner reported that Toledo is still working on one day event to present Honor Couples.**
- 4. Central announced that they are paying 50% of the cost to purchase advertising signs.**

Cindy Warner made a motion to adjourn. Don Garris seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 pm.

**Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelson
Secretary**