

January 12, 2008

The meeting was called to order by president Dawn Hutchinson as 2: p.m. in Boise, Id. Dawn thanked Cinder for setting up the meeting and the restaurants.

Everyone introduced themselves around the room.

Roll call was taken with everyone in attendance except Publicity, Patti Dorr (who had to attend a funeral) Area 1 Rep Randy Lundval and Area 2 Rep Mike Long. Who had work commitments?

Minutes were approved as mailed.

Treasurer's report was given with a balance of \$5668.04 as of January 12th. Approved. Fran stated all dues had been paid for 2008 except Area III.

Committee Reports:

Membership: There have been no new clubs the last quarter of the year.

Insurance: There are 950 dancers signed up for 2008 and that's without the Kootenai Kloggers. I have not heard from them even after several attempts.

Budget & Planning: The question was asked what do we want in a budget, and do we really need one? It was decided that we really do not need one at this time.

State Festival 2007: A report was sent for the 43rd State Festival showing the Federation's share of the profits being \$1618.27. They had 300 pre-registered. The final count for attendance at the dance's was 510.

State Festival 2008: Made some changes to schedule and have added 2 more dances. They hope to have a picnic on Saturday. The colors for the Festival are burgundy. Please pre-register.

State Festival 2009: No report

State Festival 2010: Dance will be held at the Minico High School on the 11-12 of June 2010. The high school has three gyms, so they will have two for dancing and one for the vendors.

Corresponding Secretary: Brenda has 5 nominations for Federation offices. January ROM will be from Area 1. The newsletters are going out to all the clubs. Send club updates to Patti Dorr at (idafed@mac.com). **not** to Brenda. Publications has the directory on the web page to be down loaded. You can find this at (www.squaredancing.com/idahofed) . It is currently 16 pages. If your area Association has not been updated with new information, let someone know to get the most current info into Patti.

Publication: Some gentle reminders from Patti.

1. Schedules and flyers should include location of dances, address should include city and contact information, especially e-mail or web site.

2. Please send information as early as possible, I cannot update daily.

3. Round of the Month: Please try to find a clean copy for publication, You can retype it if one is not available. I have contacted the choreographer on a couple of occasions and they have mailed a

copy to me with permission to post. They have been pleasantly surprised that their dance was chosen. It would be a nice courtesy to notify the choreographers that you have chosen their work. If they do not have a copy to email, it may be a nice gesture to retype it for them and send them a copy.

4. All information I have received is in the printed Tattler. As you can see, a lot is missing. As you create your schedules for next year, please send them to me for posting.

5. Please send information as a word document or pdf. I am converting everything to pdf so anyone can open it. If you send documents as rtf, they lose their formatting. I do not generally have time to reformat and will publish as it is received.

Please give me any feedback regarding the web site. I want to make it as useful and user friendly as possible.

Area 1: no report

Area 2: no report

Area 3: Up coming events for Area 3.

February 16, 2008 Bum dance at Sagebrush Shufflers Hall in Mtn. Home Id. 7:30 pre-rounds 8pm mainstream Chicken & Noodles and Pie are served after the dance.

March 15, 2008 Stew-Pendous Stew Feed at Emmett School on 4th St. Emmett Id. 7:30 pre-Plus 8pm Mainstream with Plus tips announced. Stew, coleslaw, rolls and cupcakes served after the dance.

April 2, 2008 Spring Swing. Capital Squares annual event at the square dance center in Boise Id. 7:30 pre-rounds and 8pm mainstream with caller from the floor. Pie and ice cream are served after the dance.

April 26, 2008 Yearling Round-up to welcome the new dancers just finishing lessons. Area III sponsored dance. Chairpersons are Geneva Ostler and Cinder Wood. 7:30 pre-rounds 8pm mainstream. Callers and Cuers from the floor. This dance is not just for beginners, it is for everyone.

July 11-13 2008 Funstitute held in McCall. Area III sponsored week end with dancing, camping and so much more.

New beginning mainstream lessons are beginning this month at Canyon County Stars at the Elks in Caldwell and at Silverleaf Squares at Silverleaf hall in Emmett.

Area III is pleased to welcome Amos and Nancy Mouser to our Area. Currently they have round dance and rhythm classes in Boise and Mtn. Home.

Area 4: Our area clubs began lessons in November and have quite a few students. Buttons and Bows will host the half way dance this year on March 8th at the Moose Hall in Twin Falls. The Association will host a 5th Sat. dance, March 29th in honor of the Desert Sundancers Shamrock Shuffle with Irish Stew. Guest caller will be Jonathon Wood. Eat at 7 - Dance at 8pm - at Moose Hall in Twin Falls.

Magic Valley Singles have a full schedule this year. They have 6 new dancers. They continue to run the Soup Kitchen for the St Jerome's Catholic Church. They also dance at Woodstone Retirement Center on the last Friday of the month. They dance on Wednesday night this year at the Jerome Senior Center in Jerome. Jerome is building a new, larger center and the Singles will be moving back to Tuesday at that time.

River Reelers have 16 new dancers. One square of young adults, (very colorful) and having a hoot. They dance 1st & 3rd Saturday with lessons on Thursday. They will cancel February 16 to allow some to travel to the Bum Dance in Mtn. Home. Their annual Spring Fling will be April 19th at West Minico.

Left footers: Beginning on Monday, Intermediate on Tuesday, and Advanced on Wednesday at Round-A-Square Center in Rupert ID.

Buttons & Bows have 8 new dancers this year. They will hold a Black & White Ball on January 26th at the Moose Hall in Twin Falls. They are going to dance at Heritage Retirement Center when it is arranged on Tuesday's or Thursday's. Their annual April Flop will be held on April 12th at the Moose Hall in Twin Falls Id.

Area 5; Our next Area 5 Council dance will be held on January 26th. It will be held in Pocatello.

New Area 5 officers are: **President** Steve & Sharon O'Brien **Vice President;** David & Jackie Klingler. **Secretary** Harold & Galois Orme. **Treasure:** Don & Chriss Lewis. **Area Rep** Larry & Luana Stewart.

Steve Sullivans club are dancing pretty regularly. Spinning Spuds have had new dancers. Snake River Advanced is struggling to get a square each week, that had almost a square that moved to Boise.

Choo Choo's are working with continuing education program to try to get beginners. Will update as more information becomes available.

Jolly Mixers have had some beginners but because of the holidays and bad weather, attendance has been low.

Upper Valley Squares are still dancing 1st & 3rd Saturday s

Levis & Lace 10th annual Rocky Mountain Shindig will be April 11-12 at Salmon Id. Caller Andy Allemao from Chula Vista CA.& Cuers Nancy & Amos Mouser from Mtn. Home Id.

Teton Twirlers are currently inactive. Both Gaye & Randy have had some health issues. Also two couples have either had knee or foot surgeries.

Flynnstone Spinners are currently inactive.

Old Business: Les Hutchinson gave a report from the Bylaw committee. All the different areas that have been helping have reported and Les is in the process of putting it all together. No recommendations at this time. The consensus is that's its mostly cosmetic and more the policy and procedures that need to be changed than the bylaws. Les will bring some conclusions to the May meeting. Current bylaw do not allow for a caller or cuer run club. As we do not wish to turn anyone away, we need to remove "duly elected officers". Les will look into it.

New Business: The Federation needs delegates to the National Convention. Amos and Nancy Mouser are going and will be two of the four votes that Idaho has. Please let Area Reps know if you will be going. The showcase of Ideas is housed at the square dance center in Boise, and needs to be taken to the National convention. It is set up around the IdaFed Tattler and our web site.

The Federation Booklet has been re-done with additional information. It will be brought up at the breakfast meeting as to printing and sending to each area.

The officers visitation forms have been found at the Archives and will be distributed to each area so the visiting officers can sign when they visit a club. Area Reps took some to distribute to their clubs.

Since Guy James passing, we in Boise are without a badge maker. The names of SqDini Badges from Beaverton OR. and McQuire's Signs Are Us. from Caldwell Id. were suggested. This will be tabled until breakfast meeting.

Next meeting will be hosted by Area IV on May 10-11 2008 at the Moose Hall in Twin Falls Id.

Ida Roamer Badges were presented to Bryce & Geneva Ostler. The 4th dangle was presented to Larry & Colleen Monk.

Announcements:

Bum Dance February 16, 2008 at Sagebrush Shufflers hall in Mtn. Home ID. There is a bus being chartered to get to this dance from the Nampa and Boise Areas. Call Darin Keith if you wish to be put on the list. The bus will hold 48 persons.

Fall Jubilee with Mike Sikorsky calling & TJ & Bruce Chadd cueing. November 14-15 2008
At the Boise square & Round dance Center Boise, ID

This meeting is recessed until the breakfast meeting on January 13, 2008.

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Breakfast meeting

It was decided to print the new Federation booklet and to send a copy to Patti. Donna will take care of this. Badges were tabled again. The proceeds from the Federation dance were \$276 after the bills were paid, except the afternoon hall rent. It was a very well attended dance, and everyone seemed to have fun.

Respectfully submitted

Donna L. Stradinger
Recording Secretary.