

**KSDCA ANNUAL MEETING
JUNE 1, 2013
SALINA, KANSAS**

Present: Peggy Anschutz, Judy and Gene Broers, Larry & Wanda Crady, Joe Dawley, Sue Dellere, Kevin Denning, Tammy Gough, Allen Hahn, Mike and Iris Huddleson, Sam Hunsaker, Rex Johnston, Sheldon & Cindy Lawrence, Terry Lewis, Frank Morrell, David Myers, Lynn Nelson, Mike Salerno, Dana Schirmer, Jeanne & Warren Shane, Betty Skillett, Gordon & Joan Smith, Dale & Janice Stead, Gary & Cindy Titus, Stash Tosio & Norma Popp, Mike Turner, Diana Wagner, Kerry Wallace, Chris Wildhagen, and Virginia Yerta.

Meeting was called to order by Larry Crady at 9:00 AM. Larry welcomed everyone and held a moment of silence for those members who have passed away since our last meeting.

Minutes: It was moved by David Myers and second by Sheldon Lawrence, that we accept the minutes that were sent by e-mail to the membership. Motion passed.

Treasurers report: The balance brought forward as of December 31, 2012 was \$6,631.54, deposits and other credits totaled \$862.94, checks paid and other debits \$1,720.00, and an ending balance as of April 30, 2013 was \$5,774.48. Frank Morrell moved we approve the report, Lynn Nelson second, motion approved.

State Convention Report: There were some problems with the feedback and sound in the main arena. Larry Crady asked that we do not change the amplifier. If you turn it up you will get a squeal. It was suggested that there was too much bass which was explained that when you increase the volume output for the sound you will get more bass.

Mainstream had a large crowd, but the plus hall on Friday night had approximately 3-4 squares.

(Added information not discussed in the meeting):

1. Friday Night Main Arena MS/L: the most 16 sqs, least 4 sqs, avg 6.5 sqs.
2. Friday Night Heritage NE Singing/Contra: the most 8 sqs, least 1 sq, avg 3 sqs.
3. Friday Night Heritage 3 RD: the most 13 couples, least 5 couples, avg 10 couples.
4. Friday Night Main Arena: the most 14 sqs, least 3, avg 7 sqs
5. Saturday Morning Dancers without Partners: the most 5 sqs, least 4 sqs, avg 5 sqs. There were more line dancers than Round Dancers.
6. Saturday morning RD Workshop: the most 17 couples, least 13 couples, avg 15 couples.
7. Saturday afternoon RD Hall: the most 12 couples, least 8 couples, avg 10 couples.
8. Saturday night MS/L: the most 3 sqs, least 1 sq, avg 2 sqs.
9. Saturday night RD Hall: the most 12.5 couples, least 4 couples, avg 9.5 couples. *(End of additional information)*

Hall Usage: Lynn Nelson mentioned using only the Heritage Halls on Friday night. We started with 20 squares and then after the split went down to 14 squares. We should consider using the main arena only on Saturday night. The issue with the main arena is the floor, and that may be why the number of squares is down. Mike Turner stated that it is a matter of using it all or relinquishing part of the building to some other group. If we do not use the whole building we do not have control of all the halls. The hall request comes from the dancers and they want to have 4 halls, we then supply the callers that go into those halls. Sue explained why the floor was bad. This fall we will be negotiating again with the people who are in charge of the building.

Caller-Coordinator: Tammy Gough indicated they found the book that indicates the protocol for the convention. Convention Committee makes suggestions and gets approval from the Caller's Association. Tammy is passing the book onto Dale Stead, the new Caller-Coordinator for the 2014 convention. Larry Crady felt the problem comes from terminology such as the word 'Programming'

which means who does what, where and when. The hall suggestions come from the dancers and the callers program the callers and cuers.

Line Dancing: A nice group attended the Line Dance Workshop on Friday night from 6:30-7:30. Approximately 60 people line danced in the Main Arena after the first tip Friday night. Mike Salerno & Judy Broers would like to update the line dances, but people still do not know the old line dances. Mike and Judy would like to see square dance callers teach dance technique to square dancers when they are giving lessons. This might lessen some of the roughness caused by dancers that do not understand dance techniques.

Competition: By Friday evening, two squares had signed up for the competition and 11 judges. 12:30 will be the warm up session.

Historical Committee: When callers pass away Mike Turner tries to find a biography written for them. Missouri and Nebraska has a Hall of Fame.

Hearing Enhancements: We have hearing enhancements in each hall. A frequency is set for each hall with signs stating the frequency for that hall. The signs in the rooms are correct, but the printed booklets are incorrect.

New Member Application: Rod Krehbiel has asked to be an associate member. He is a member of Callerlab and WASDCA. Frank Morrell moved we accept his membership application, Lynn Nelson seconded, and the motion passed. If he wants to upgrade his membership he needs to apply for full membership this year in order to call at next year's state convention.

Grandfather Status: Bob Tucker has applied for Grandfather Status in the Kansas S/D Callers Association. He has been an active member for over 20 years. Frank Morrell moved that we accept his application for Grandfather Status, Lynn Nelson seconded, and the motion passed

Convention Ribbons: Next year the price of ribbons for the state convention will be going up \$2.00. If we purchase the ribbons before Saturday night we can pay the same price as we did this year. This year's price was \$25.00 per ribbon and next year it will be \$27.00 per ribbon. Lynn Nelson move we purchase 60 ribbons, Mike Huddleson second, motion passed. We have also, in the past, paid for ½ of the price for youth. The dancer's organization deducts that amount from the money that comes to us from the convention, so it is not a check that we write from our account. The age break is anyone under the age of 18 years old. Lynn Nelson moved we continue paying ½ of the price of youth admission for the convention, Mike Huddleson second, motion passed.

Election of Officers: The following officers were reelected.

President: Larry Crady

Vice President: Dale Stead

Secretary: Jeanne Shane

Treasurer: Mike Turner

Membership Renewal Procedure: The procedure seems to be very complicated with all the forms that are passed out each year. Next year everyone will get one renewal form and one program form. If you wish to bid on sound, submit a scholarship form, or submit any other form let the secretary know and she will send the form or the sender may go on line and fill it out and send it to the secretary.

Sound system: The Association may want to include some kind of 2 or 3 channel mixer in the sound bid that will eliminate changing cords or unhooking cords. Also the sound person needs to check the quality of the needles. Needles are hard to find. Check on a good reliable source to purchase needles and send information to secretary. Some sources are: Needle Doctor in Minneapolis and ANS Record Shop.

Callerlab: Dana Schirmer reported that Tom Dillander had passed away. Palomino Records have made the decision not to press anymore vinyl records. You may still purchase old copies that are in stock or MP3's. Callerlab had a great convention with 250 people and an excellent motivational speaker. Next year the convention will be in Reno, Nevada. The convention fee will be waived for new youth members that come for the first time to the convention. Callerlab would like to encourage people, that have equipment they would like to get rid of, to donate it to the Callerlab Foundation for any youth caller that has called for less than 5 years. The Lloyd Shaw foundation has scanned the American Square Dance Society's magazines, "Set's In Order." They contain a wealth of information. The set of CD's are being sold for \$20.00 and may be purchased from the Callerlab office. There will be an education session on Sunday at the Sunflower bank that Tim Mariner will be presenting on the "Future of Square Dancing."

ACA: No Report

Roundalab: Jeanne reported Roundalab will be meeting the week before the National Convention in Oklahoma City, OK. There are 8 applicants for the Executive Administrator's position. We hope to have that position filled before the Roundalab convention is over.

Contralab: Gordon Smith reported that Contralab will meet before the National Convention. Tuesday night's dance at the Cox Center will have a live band from 7:30-10:00.

Clogging: Joe Dawley reported that in April the Mountain Home Arkansas Clogging workshop met. In November the National Clogging Convention will be held in Orlando, Florida.

Line Dancing: In February, at the Airport Hilton in Kansas City, a Line Dance Festival will be held. All levels of line dancing will be taught. Second week-end in July they will be in Wichita to teach an accreditation class for Line Dance.

North East: New officers were elected for the North East district.

President: Dale Stead

Secretary: Lalla Steenbock

Treasurer: Kerry Wallace

North Central: Summer meeting is in July in Manhattan with Dana Schirmer Caller & Betty Skillett Cuer.

South: Last Tip Dangle was adopted by the North Central Texas Callers Association. The WASDCA organization is making preparation for the Last Tip Dangle Dinner which will be August 22, 2013. They had 84 dancers participated in last year's dance.

West: State meeting and dance will be August 17, 2013 in the Reed Center in Hays. Hoisington Swinging Stars graduated 12 new dancers and Shooting Stars Singles of Hays graduated 5 new dancers.

Caller Coordinator: Dale & Janice Stead

Programming RD: Jeanne Shane & Kevin Denning (Betty Skillett)

Caller: Ken Bower **Cuer:** Jim & Carol Tucker

Caller Coordinator: Programs the Line Dances

Heart of America is hoping to start an exchange with our convention and their convention.

Volunteer for Competition and Exhibition for next year David Myers

Quilt: Route 66 quilt tickets for the National Square Dance Convention in Oklahoma are for sale

KSDCA Callers, Cuers, and Leaders will march behind KSDA and will be singing the National Anthem on Saturday night of the 2013 convention.

Meeting adjourned: 10:25 AM

Respectively submitted,
Jeanne Shane KSDCA Secretary