

Midnight Squares Club Meeting Minutes

11/20/05

1. Members Present: Jeff Hamilton, Richard Rockwell, Judith Stevenson, Lily Gee Hickman, Tom Maher, Luise Linney-Jones, Jim Jones, Don Queen, Larry Queen, Neale Grasham, Richard Tuck, Ed Zeigler, Tom Johnson, Michael Levy, Gary Young, Allan Hurst, Tom Steele, Gary Dougan, Harlan Kerr
2. Minutes from 18 September were accepted.
3. Treasurer's Report: Don Queen presented a written report (available in the locker) which included class dues, some renewed memberships, and donations. He reported that there was a loss on the Bill Eyler dance. He also cautioned against thinking the club is flush with funds, as cash inflow and outflow are not in synch.
4. Membership Renewal: Judith reported that she was having some difficulties with the database in generating the renewal forms with the addition of cell phone info and the change in dues. She will work with Ed Zeigler to rectify the problem and immediately get the renewals out in the mail.
5. Administrative Items: The class students all have their books and there is one extra Ceder Chest available.
6. Club Communication: It was requested that Ed go ahead and add the Advanced class members now to the club email listserve. Each class also has their own email list.
7. San Francisco A/C Fly-in: Michael Levy confirmed that the weekend of the fly-in will be September 19 - 21, 2008. Clark Baker has been added as a caller.
8. Current Classes

Advanced: Michael reported that there are 9 students.

C2: Gary Young reported that there are 19 students. Students of the class were asked to make the effort themselves to solicit enough angels to make 3 squares.

9. Upcoming Dances

November C1/C2 Dance with Bill Eyler - 11/6/05 (Ed Z.)

Although the 2 squares-plus weren't enough to have the dance break even, everyone had fun and thought the dance was successful.

Winter Dance with Kris Jensen (1/8/06)

Judith Stevenson and Lily Gee Hickman volunteered to be the coordinators. Rather than having this dance be the Member Appreciation Dance, it was decided to make it a regular dance since the Advanced class will not have finished the A1 list yet. The Advanced class will meet 1 - 3 and the dance will be 3 - 6 at Jon Sims (\$8/\$10). The C2 class will be dark. Harlan expressed concern about the C2 class being dark so often, but the dance will include C2

class level tips. Levels will be A2, C1, C2 Class and C3A. Gary Y. will let Kris know where the C2 class is at so she can prepare accordingly.

Member Appreciation Dance with Andy Shore (2/26/06)

Michael Levy volunteered to be the coordinator. Both classes will meet concurrently from 2 - 3 to allow the students time to "get warmed up". Ed will book the extra room for that hour. Michael offered the use of his equipment for the extra room. The dance will be 3 - 6 at Jon Sims (Free/\$8). Levels will be A1, A2, C1, C2 Class, and C3A. (Harlan will call the C3A tips.) Gary Y. will let Andy know where the C2 class is at so he can prepare accordingly.

Graduation Dances (Spring 2006)

Because of the levels being taught this year, it was decided that we should probably schedule separate graduation dances so each class can have plenty of dance time at their new level. Gary D. took suggestions as to which callers would be acceptable for these dances. These included Rob French, CJ Smith, and Tim Crawford (A2 only). Gary was reminded that Bronc Wise was cutting back on his calling, so he shouldn't pursue him anymore. Don Queen will work with Gary on when each class is expected to finish their 25 week course.

September Dance with Anne Uebelacker and Eric Henerlau (9/9/06)

Foggy City has now booked Eric Henerlau (rather than Michael Kellogg) for the Saturday that Anne will be here for PACE. It was decided that the club still wants to try doing another joint dance like we did in September of this year. Tom Maher indicated that FCD was fine with the idea. Gary Y. volunteered to approach Galen Workman to see if he could arrange another discount at the Unitarian Center.

Fall Dance with Todd Fellegly (11/12/06)

10. Friends School/EVRC: It is still unclear when EVRC is reopening. (Western Star Dancers are meeting at 3435 Cesar Chavez, Suite 204 on a temporary basis until the Rec Center reopens.)

11. Wednesdays/Sundays Club Dancing

A thorough discussion was held regarding the state of our club dancing opportunities. None of the Sunday/Wednesday club nights are being supported well at the moment. Thus, the following was decided:

- ? Discontinue the C1 hour each Sunday preceding the Advanced class, with the classes remaining in their existing timeslots. We will book the 1 - 2 hour as needed (days when meetings or dances are held, etc.)
- ? Discontinue all Wednesdays in December.
- ? Discontinue all club dancing at the Mission Playground Rec Center.

- ? Starting in January, book Wednesdays only at Jon Sims, alternating between A2/C1 and C2 Class Level/C3A. (When the Advanced class finishes A1, the students will be invited to join us at club nights.)
- ? Reassess the situation at the next meeting.
- ? Jeff will email the club with these decisions.

12. Club Liaisons (FCD, WSD, DD, ECR, OAK, PACE, TopCats)
No reports were offered due to the meeting running long.

13. New Business: None

14. Next club meeting: 1/29/06, 3:00 - 4:00 (A2 class 1:00 - 3:00, C2 class 4:00 - 6:00)