



Minutes of Club Meeting April 26, 2009

The meeting was called to session by Ed Zeigler at 3:38.

The minutes from last meeting have been posted.

Arthur is no longer free to give his attention to being secretary at this time. Harlan Kerr volunteered to take on this task.

Treasurer's report:

Lee Griffiths presented the treasurers report:

We have 68 membership renewals and donations amounting to approximately 10 % additional income.

(details available upon request)

(At this point Allan Hurst arrived and chaired the rest of the meeting)

Membership Renewal Data base Roster

The roster may be ready for the Graduation dance.

Ken Sale will generate validation emails and send them out in a few days

Someone needs to produce the roster as Ken cannot do the double fold layout that it requires.

Discussion was initiated over sending electronic copies vs. hard copies
It was suggested that this could be an address book file by John Kenny.
For now we will at least send out a PDF version. We will create enough hard copies for everyone and will give will give members the choice of opting for electronic copies on next year's membership form.

Badges and Tee shirts:

Randy was not here to present a report. It was noted that some shirts were sold prior to convention.

Class report:

Classes will be wrapped up today. Both John Kenny and Ken Sale gave positive reports on the classes. Several class members danced their new level at convention. See notes below on the upcoming graduation dance.

Delegates Meeting:

Allan reported on the IAGSDC delegates meeting.

- Touch ¼ Century profits were covered and how they were allocated to various sources.
- Chicago Shakedown (2010) will have double/double rooms: two baths 3-4 beds, at \$169 per night which may be advantageous to some attendees.
- Atlanta (2011) is at the Marriott Marquis with a room rate of \$149—\$169
- The Vancouver convention (2012) will have rooms at \$169 Canadian
- The 2013 convention will be in San Francisco. Plans are underway already and the hotel is being negotiated with. See notes below.
- 2014: The current bid for this convention is from Temple Squares in Salt Lake City
- Rainbow trust has sent out \$13,091 in disbursements. There is about \$5,000 left in this fund.
- All Join Hands funded people for the caller's school again this year
- The Peterson fund still has some money and is looking for proposals..
- This year there will be a Rainbow Room at Long beach National Squared Dance Convention. This will be scheduled during lunch and dinner breaks.

Full minutes of the delegate's meeting will be provided by the IAGSDC.

2013 Convention

The committee is trying to wrap up hotel contracts and establishing incorporation as a non profit organization.

Volunteer forms will be available soon, and initial funding raising should be getting underway. Please watch for more information and consider both volunteering and donating seed money.

The Western Star July dance will be a fund raiser for the convention—they have handed over the space and have a donor for the expenses. This dance will be based on the interclub social format.

There will be a contest for the name and logo for the convention with a free registration as the prize.

This will be the 30th annual convention of the IAGSDC.

Midnight Squares Upcoming Dances:

Sandy Bryant is scheduled for the graduation dance on May 9th 2009. Barbara Geller will coordinate this dance

Bill Eyer is scheduled for December 2009 Joanne Kerns will coordinate this dance

Club Communication:

The Midnight Squares website up and the calendar is up to date.

Club dancing:

There was some discussion on Sunday dancing and how many hours people were committing to. We will survey members and ask people how long they feel is appropriate to commit to. Sunday will now be alternating C1 and Advanced.

It was suggested that we could send one EVITE per level, but this does not seem to be a good choice because the dancing will be alternating level every other tip.

C2/C3 is doing well on Wednesdays, but there is a problem with C1/Advance When should we cancel is the question.

Lee Griffiths posed the question: why aren't we getting people to Advanced and C1, which are frequently cancelled.?

Alan Hurst suggested a survey on how to get people to come more regularly

Lee Griffiths proposed that we keep the schedule like it is, but call members via a phone tree and find out why people don't come.

Gary Young will not be able to continue to handle the scheduling of club dancing and Ken Sale will now do this.

Fall 2009-10 Classes:

This discussion focused on what classes to offer in Fall 2009.

Several people suggested that there was significant interest in C2.

We will start classes in late October, after the Albuquerque fly in. This is in plenty of time before convention.

As in the past, we will send out a survey to determine the interest that people have in various programs as well as scheduling options.

Bay Area Clubs:

Diablo Dancers thanks us for having Bill Eyler call as part of his weekend out here for them. They will be covering his airfare

El Camino Reelers have Eric Henerlau scheduled next weekend (May 2, 2009)

The TNT Dynamite Dynamite Weekend is scheduled for the second weekend in June, and we are encouraged to attend These dances are in Roseville and Orangevale.

There will be a Gay Pride Parade float sponsored by "Good Vibrations" . It will have a country theme with an actual live all-girl bluegrass band playing on the float and dancers on and around the float.

Good Vibrations, Western Star Dancers and Foggy City Dancers have been working together on plans for the square dance portion of the float and invite all clubs to join in and dance on float (limited to 8 dancers at a time) or walk in the parade with banners etc. Those interested in participating in the parade, please plan on attending the rehearsal on June 4th at 7:30, Sanchez school on Sanchez street between 17th and 16th. (Foggy City Club dancing space)

Next meeting is Sunday June 7, 2009

Dancing will go until 6 that day and the levels will be split.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:36.

Attendance at this Meeting;

Allan Hurst
Ansel Sermerheim
Barbara Geller
Ed Zeigler
Harlan Kerr
Joanne Kerns
John Kenny
Lee Griffiths
Paul Van Houton
Richard Rockwell
Rusty Johnson
Stewart Kramer
Vicki Woods