



**OREGON FEDERATION OF
SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLUBS**

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING DATED MAY 6, 2001
ROGUE VALLEY SQUARE DANCE CENTER
MEDFORD, OREGON

President Barbi Ashwill (Lee) brought the May 6, 2001, meeting of the Federation of Square & Round Clubs to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Rogue Valley Square Dance Center, Medford, Oregon.

Roll call was taken by Recording Secretary Nancy Cobb as follows:

Officers: First Vice President Linda Lambert (Ralph), Second Vice President Kay Rogers (Jim), Recording Secretary Nancy Cobb, Corresponding Secretary Marilyn Schmit (Ron), Treasurer Don Reed (Elizabeth), Membership Clara Kilbourne (Frank), Past President Larry Reetz (Carol).

Appointed Officers: Financial Advisor Gary Willoughby (Betty), Parliamentarian Tim Roberts (Kathy), Historian Don Morris (Karel), State Publicity/Reporter Ed Warmoth (Mary), Education Chairman Lola Robello (Tony).

Delegates: Blue Mountain - Bonnie Berry (Don), Central Oregon - Virginia Meyers (Hal), Emerald Empire - Angie Barta (Alan Prichard), Interstate Highlanders - Cathy Pochatko (Ron), Lincoln-Tillamook - Buzz Buczkowski (Kathy), Mid-Willamette - Harriet Livingston, Portland - Bill Rooper (Annadale), Roque Sis-Q - Rex Bounds (Jeri), South Coast - Karel Morris (Don), Sunset - Mac Wilcox (Pauline), Tualatin Valley - Carolyn Bosch (Bob), and Umpqua - John Hernandez (Esther Thompson-Wood). Absent: Eastern Oregon - Lorene Griffith (George),

Committee Chairs: 2001 Mid-Winter Festival - Noel & Tina Cykler; 2002 Mid-Winter Festival - Larry & Carol Reetz; 2002 Summer Festival - Lee & Barbi Ashwill; 2003 Summer Festival - Dave & Jodene Hughes; Insurance - Jim Rogers (Kay), BMI/ASCAP - Ralph Lambert (Linda), State Fair - Janet Wilken (Doug) substituting for Fran Bunch (Ray), ORDTA - Dennis Smith (Elaine), and OFN Editor - Dave and Jodene Hughes. Absent: 2001 Summer Festival - Doug & LaDauna Hartzell; 2004 Summer Festival Round Dance Screening - Barbara & Larry Schaumburg; and Caller Advisor - Roger Putzler (Linda).

Active Goodwill Ambassadors: Tim & Kathy Roberts; Ray & Betty Jones; Don & Karel Morris; and Benjamin & Penny Brown. Absent. Dick & Marge Pentecost.

Past President Larry Reetz gave the invocation. First Vice President Linda Lambert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES. Rex Bounds moved to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2001, meeting as presented, seconded by Karel Morris. Motion was voted on and approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT. President Barbi Ashwill stated the meeting was being recorded. She thanked Rex Bounds and all of the Rogue Sis-Q Dancers for a great week-end. She recognized Bob and Carolyn Bosch and Ron and Marilyn Schmit for their contribution of the new and improved name tags.

Barbi noted that the Mid-Winter Committee had presented a letter requesting permission for the Eugene Visitors & Convention Bureau to use the Federation's data base to send letters of invitation. A poll of Federation officers showed a majority in favor of this request if its use was restricted. Therefore, Barbi asked for and received a letter from from the Visitors & Convention Bureau stating that it would not share the data base with any other organization and that if Mid-Winter ceased to exist, the data base would be destroyed. She asked that the delegates advise clubs in their area of this decision and let all dancers know that if they do not want their name used, to contact Noel and Tina Cykler at (541) 726-8150. The fact that the Visitors & Convention Bureau is willing to send out registration forms will be a real cost saving measure for the Federation and the Mid-Winter Committee.

Barbi stated although reports indicate the number of dancers are down in other states, she was pleased to announce the number of dancers is up in Oregon. The latest figures from the Insurance Chair show that there are now 4,528 federated dancers in Oregon.

She noted she would be introducing all delegates and elected and appointed Officers in Redmond at Summer Festival and, to save time, she asked that everyone march together as State Officers during the Grand March, unless one's own club was so small, you were really needed to march with them. Barbi commended the dancers for continuing to support the purchase of Square Dance license plates. She reported the Federation has received revenues from license plate sales from DMV totalling \$599.25 just since she became President, and one more check should be received before her term expires. This money is donated to the Federation's charity, H.O.R.S.E.S. Way to go!! Let's keep those renewals coming in and encourage our new dancers to join in.

Jim Kinkaid, Federation Trailer Coordinator, advised he'll be on an extended vacation starting May 13th. Barbi asked that all areas be notified if they need to reserve a trailer while he's gone, please contact Ray and Fran Bunch at (503) 393-3405 or e-mail them at: rayb@ncn.com as Jim left the Trailer Reservation Schedule with them. The trailers can still be picked up and returned to Kinkaid's house and they only need to contact Ray and Fran if they need to make a reservation or if they have a problem. She asked that this information be included in the next two issues of the OFN.

Barbi advised that Ralph and Linda Lambert would not be able to attend the 50th National Square Dance Convention in Anaheim in June, so Gary and Betty Willoughby have agreed to join Larry and Carol Reetz as Oregon's representatives at the USDA meeting to be held in Anaheim on the Wednesday prior to Convention. She thanked all four for volunteering. Also OFN Editors, Dave and Jodene, are not able to attend the Convention either, so Ed and Mary Warmoth will represent the OFN at the Press Breakfast on Thursday morning during Convention.

Barbi noted that Jay and Bonnie Stimler, Chairmen of the Committee to Establish an Oregon Square Dance, Round Dance, Clogging, Contra and Related Activities Museum, were not able to attend this meeting but plan to meet with Tim Roberts and Harriet Livingston prior to the next State meeting in Redmond in July at which time a report will be given.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT. First Vice President Linda Lambert thanked everyone for their cards and support during the passing of her Mother and the recent health situation that she and Ralph have faced. She also gave a heartfelt thank you to the Rogue Sis-Q Council for a wonderful weekend.

She thanked everyone who handed in a budgetary request for next year's Federation budget and asked those who had not, to do so before the end of this meeting.

Linda said she had enjoyed reading the Council and Festival meetings. Since the last meeting she attended the Umpqua Council meeting in March and has been attending the Mid-Winter Festival 2001 committee meetings and last week-end's Mid-Winter Festival 2002 committee meeting. Other time commitments have prevented her from attending the 2001 Summer Festival Meetings, but now that her schedule has settled down, she hopes to attend the upcoming 2002 Summer Festival meeting.

There are still copies of the Directory available for sale; please contact Linda if you need additional copies. She noted one correction for the Directory, which is that the Emerald Empire Council meets the first Saturday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in Room B of the Emerald Dance Center. (Written report submitted).

2001 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL REPORT. Noel Cykler reported the 2001 Mid-Winter Festival had a very successful turnout with 1,794 pre-registrations and 2,016 total attendance, with 174 RV's. Negotiations are in progress for a contract to use the Fairgrounds through 2005. He presented the Federation with a check for \$4,323.00 for its share of profits from the Festival. Noel said the 2002 Mid-Winter Festival Committee had held its first meeting.

2001 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Nancy Cobb read Doug Hartzell's report into the record, noting that registrations are moving along great and everything is falling into place. Plans for activities are going great also and include the Bridge Dance, the Fashion Show, the Water Balloon Slingshot Toss, the Golf Tournament (*we need more players in this tournament - if interested, please get in touch with Bob Shephard as soon as possible at 541-447-5058*) and the Saturday morning T-Shirt dance. Each delegate should have a package of flyers, and information, which he asked that the delegates please be sure get to area clubs. (Written report submitted).

2002 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL REPORT. Larry Reetz said a special thank you to Tina Cykler for the 2002 Mid-Winter Festival flyer, which had been distributed to everyone present. Plans are progressing well, with plans to revise the program somewhat, such as bringing more youth to the Festival. Since a contract is being negotiated with the Fairgrounds for Festivals through 2005, the Committee plans to hold a festival in 2005, the year the National Convention should be in Oregon. He also announced the 2003 Mid-Winter Festival Committee chairs would be Gary and Betty Willoughby.

2002 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Lee Ashwill stated the the Festival Committee is working hard to be ready to "Kick Off" registrations during the 2001 Summer Festival in Redmond, Oregon. Registration forms are being finalized and ribbons have been ordered. The goal is to have 1,500 dancers attend the 2002 Summer Festival. The Festival Committee has planned an After-Party at the 2001 Summer Festival. A dance schedule includes a casual dance on Friday June 7, 2002 and Saturday dancing starting at 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning will feature a "Heavenly Hoedown." There will be a wooden floor in the Plus Hall. The Committee is planning a "Special Event" for Thursday night, June 6, 2002, which will be a dinner cruise on the Willamette Queen if arrangements can be made and there's enough interest. A copy of the budget is attached and the projected "Break-Even" point is 800 dancers. (Written report submitted).

2003 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Dave Hughes commented that there were more than a few eyes raised in January when we proposed Lincoln-Tillamook Council host a Summer Festival in Pendleton. To show how this is not a big stretch, the Committee asked the Tillamook Creamery Association, makers of

Tillamook Cheese and Ice Cream, if they would help build a unit in Boardman. As a result a new cheese factory is being built and soon will be in operation in the Pendleton area. All is progressing well with Summer Festival 2003, with a committee in place, signed contracts with the Convention Center, the featured caller, and the featured cuer, and outfits planned. Remember, Pendleton is the place to be in 2003. (Written report submitted).

2004 SUMMER FESTIVAL. In the absence of Barbara Schaumburg, Linda Lambert reported that plans for the 2004 Summer Festival are going well.

OREGON FEDERATION NEWS. Dave Hughes reported a number of changes were made during the past few months, and he hoped everyone had enjoyed the new articles and layout changes. Several clubs have not paid for their dance directory ads for a number of months, so in February letters were sent to all clubs about the changes in cost and about directory ads. A number of clubs responded, but about one-half of the ads were dropped from the OFN this month due to lack of payment. Starting next month, all club news articles will be edited to 100 or so words. All clubs have been notified during the past two months through the OFN, but some are still not limiting the articles.

Dave said he and Jodene attended a subscription dance at Crazy Creek Rockers in Rickreall and came home with 19 new subscriptions or renewals. The same night Squaws and Paws held a subscription dance and there were 9 new subscriptions or renewals. He was disappointed that there hadn't been more new subscriptions during the past two months. With the number of new dancers graduating, it was hoped there would be a larger number of new subscribers. Gift certificates are available for purchase today that can be used for prizes or gifts.

Starting in June, a series of articles are planned about the newly elected state officers. June will feature president elect Linda; July will feature the two vice presidents; August will feature the two secretaries and September will feature the treasurer and membership person. He asked those officers to please provide information and a picture.

A detailed report will be presented to the POOFs in July and a summary provided for the Federation meeting. Also there will be a request for a change in the subscription dance and the ad policies. He noted subscriptions rates would not increase until June 2001. He said their goal was to reach 2000 new subscriptions by June 2001, but it hadn't been met yet. In reviewing the budget, he felt the fees received had not yet been posted and that the budget showing receipts of \$800 and expenses of \$10,000 wasn't quite as bad as it looked. Receipts not posted amount to approximately \$3,000 to \$4,000. This month, the OFN received \$1,616 for subscriptions and about the same for ads. When the new ad and subscription rates go into effect, the OFN should be at a break even point.

He asked for recipes for Barb's Kitchen. Ed Warmoth suggested that when there was a need for a recipe, that Dave use the 1994 Convention Cookbook.

In closing, he said he and Jodene have enjoyed working on the OFN. He asked each and every one present to return to their areas and help promote the OFN. Extra copies are available to use in promotions. (Written report submitted).

In response to Barbi, Dave said he thought there are approximately 1300 OFN subscriptions. Also in response to Barbi, Dave said instead of an OFN table at Summer Festival, a sandwich board was being developed to walk around with to advertise OFN.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT REPORT. Second Vice President Kay Rogers said she really enjoyed the scenery coming down to Medford, the potluck, last night's terrific dance and the great hotel accommodations. She was impressed with the new name tags and appreciated the initiative shown. She said she had planned to give a lesson on techniques about speaking into the mikes, but the sound

was so good it wasn't necessary. She's started planning the new directory and asked everyone to find out how many directories the clubs will need. The price will be about \$1.85 again. She asked about Officer pictures and Dave said he would share the photos provided to the OFN for her to include in the directory. Some of the councils have been sending minutes to her, which she really appreciates. She asked that she be added to area council's mailing lists for minutes.

She and Jim visited the Central Oregon Council in April for the Bachelor Beauts birthday dance and also danced with the Red Rocks. They had a good time and were treated with the warmest hospitality. They definitely plan to visit again. (Written Report submitted).

RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT. Nancy Cobb had no report, but asked if anyone had any changes in where minutes should be sent to let her know. She also asked that everyone be sure to put their written reports in the box.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT. Marilyn Schmit noted it had been a quick four months since I last wrote a report for the Federation. She sent the following cards since Mid-Winter:

Get Well: Lloyd Eckert, Dufur; Clyde Leaf, South Beach; Duane Jury, Silverton; Lloyd Urson, McMinnville; Van VanOurkirk, Salem; George Cobb, Salem; Bill Young, Milwaulde; Annadale Rooper, The Dalles; Phil Coblentz, Willamina; and Margaret Coffey, Veneta.

Sympathy: Chuck Page, Dufur, loss of father; Amy Strom, White Salmon, WA, loss of mother; family of Clyde Leaf, South Beach; Linda Lambert, Salem, loss of mother; Jerry Herring, Keizer, loss of brother; family of Mary Deadmond, Oakland; Glen Hughes, Grants Pass, loss of wife; Debra Charlebois, Salem, loss of mother.

A thinking of you card was sent to Ralph Lambert of Salem for his hospital visit.

She wrote a letter to the OFN editor explaining her responsibilities included sending cards and that she wanted to have requests from all over the state for cards to be sent.

One hundred and eight certified ballots were mailed on February 27, 2001, with the last receipt being returned last Wednesday. Twelve were recertified, with one club going twice. Marilyn also e-mailed or called the area delegates two times to advise which clubs in their councils had not returned ballots and to 18 clubs at the end of April about the same thing. As of Thursday, there are still nine outstanding ballots. The following councils had 100% of their clubs submitting ballots: Blue Mountain, South Coast, Mid-Willamette, Eastern Oregon, Umpqua, Interstate Highlanders and Lincoln-Tillamook. She felt by keeping in touch with the delegates more clubs were reminded to get their ballots returned. She thanked everyone who submitted their name for nomination and wished everyone good luck. (Written Report submitted).

SHOWCASE OF IDEAS REPORT. Marilyn Schmit reported she is beginning to receive pictures and biographies for the Oregon Hall of Fame that will honor dancers who have been dancing for over 40 years. There's a sign-up sheet available for anyone who has free time on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday at the National Convention. She suggested those going to Anaheim take Denver mint quarters for trading with the East Coast dancers. The Portland Oregon Visitors Association will again assist the Federation by shipping the display, the Oregon magazines, and the OFN magazines which have been requested from the Hughes. (Written Report submitted).

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA (USDA) REPORT. Marilyn reported the meeting in Branson went very well, with good meals and fun entertainment. There are several USDA offices up for election as well as some appointed offices. Marilyn is still deciding whether to sit out a year and run for Treasurer or Western Region Vice President. A topic of interest is a square dance museum being

proposed for the San Diego area on a naval base that is being turned over for refurbishing. Larry and Carol Reetz and Gary and Betty Willoughby are the delegates from Oregon at this time. She encourages attendance at the meeting and that those attending let Barbi Ashwill know if you could be an alternate delegate should the Reetz's or Willoughby's be unable to attend. (Written Report submitted).

TREASURER'S REPORT. Don Reed said he distributed the treasurer's report at yesterday's meetings. The audit is underway, however, completion was delayed because the auditor's computers and other items were stolen from his office and he was busy reconstructing his office income tax files. He said Dave Hughes had covered the OFN financial situation. He commented that the Benefit Dance in Salem on April 1st had brought in close to \$1,000 from donations, including license plate sales for the Adaptive Riding Institute. A check will be forwarded to the Federation's charity, H.O.R.S.E.S. for \$1,000 to \$1,200.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT. Clara Kilborune thanked Rex for the good weekend, wonderful food and dance. She said she had received a lot of forms today. She thought that she had been very clear with instructions included in letters to the delegates and clubs as to how the renewal membership forms were to be completed, forwarded to their councils for the delegates to collect and bring to this meeting along with checks for membership dues, and the where and when advertising. The other duty for the membership chairman is to verify the corporations filing yearly dues have been paid. She said she realized that there must be a better way to define the instructions and asked permission from the president to write procedures for the processing of these forms.

She planned to process the remaining forms received today and report back within the month to each delegate of what is still needed from clubs that are missing. She will also follow up with the club president about missing information. Her goal is to meet the Federation deadline for membership forms.

She regretfully reported two clubs have disbanded. They are the Sunset Council's Clatskanie Promenaders and Tualatin Valley's Rollin' Squares Wheelchair Group (as they are unable to find a caller).

Clara's new address is PO Box 237, Independence, Oregon 97351, phone 503-838-6209 and e-mail is **cevarts41@worldnet.att.net**.

INSURANCE REPORT. Jim Rogers said each delegate and board member had been given a letter about reporting and paying for all new members and asked that the information be passed along to area clubs.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT. Larry Reetz thanked everyone who attended the Benefit Dance in Salem on April 1st. Attendance was good with 10 to 11 squares and representation from throughout the state. As reported by Don, donations were close to \$1,000. In the past and traditionally, the Benefit Dance has been advertised in the OFN at no cost; however, this year the full page ad will be paid from the donated funds as an expense. He said it had been a great year.

PARLIAMENTARIAN'S REPORT. Tim Roberts said he had distributed 50 copies of the updates for the Practices and Procedures.

PUBLICITY REPORT. Ed Warmoth said there were four parts to his report. First, the State Cooperative Advertising fund expires July 31, 2001. \$5,200 was allocated to the fund to be spent

between August 1, 1998 and July 31, 2001. Up to this time only 24% (\$1,258) have been spent and eight of the Area Councils have not used any of these funds. He said there had been some creative ideas for use of the funds. He anticipated there will be a recommendation for using the remaining balance of \$3,941. The advance approval for use of the funds will be shifted to the Area Council officers rather than advance mailing to the State Publicity Chair.

Secondly, Ed reported he's been working with Lola and Tony Robello on Oregon Square Dance Week which is August 18-25. There are flyers available for distribution today and he recommended they be reprinted in club newsletters.

He noted he's been covering a range of topics in his monthly column in the OFN, including a calendar of upcoming major and special dance events. He suggested that clubs take their demos to the people, by assembling a list of clubs and churches locally and sending them a letter with an offer to put on square dance parties for them.

The National Square Dance Convention is June 27-30 in Anaheim. It's a great opportunity to attend a National Square Dance Convention and have fun at Disneyland on the same trip. He reminded everyone that the three-day Disneyland pass for \$60 is a bargain, but it isn't required to join the Parade of States. The River City Dancers of Portland plan to host a meeting to talk about making the most of your time at the Convention be at a potluck on June 1st at 6:30 p.m. at the Milwaukie Community Club Hall.

He noted he still has 600 square dance decals. Barbi said the decals worked great for marking luggage when traveling. The cost is \$1 each. (Written Report attached).

FINANCIAL ADVISOR'S REPORT. Gary Willoughby had no report.

EDUCATION CHAIRMAN'S REPORT. Lola Robello reported plans for Square Dance Week are proceeding. She wanted everyone to know that it doesn't have to cost a lot of money to put on an event. Even if a club can only put on a small event, the most important thing is to have square dancers dancing at 2:00 p.m. on Blitz Day on August 18th. The event's slogan is SQUARE DANCING IS FUN - TRY IT IN 2001. Federation insurance will cover the event but all committees will need to submit insurance forms for their event to the Insurance Chairman (Jim and Kay Rogers at 503/556-8415). There are plans to advertise with television stations including Channel 12's "Good Day Oregon" and "Ray Sommers at Large. The Oregonian will also be contacted and Portland Review, for statewide coverage of the event.

Lola said plans in several areas are well under way, including Salem, the Sunset and Central Oregon Councils. Other Council may have plans that haven't been reported to her. She said if anyone had questions to please contact her - her e-mail address is "therobellos@earthlink.net." She plans to make a scrapbook for the Historian commemorating the event. Ed Warmoth noted a sample proclamation for local use had been distributed. Lola also pointed out an official sign up sheet for all clubs to use so an official count can be done. (Written Report submitted).

HISTORIAN'S REPORT. Don Morris said that all items are secure in his garage.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BMI/ASCAP REPORT. Linda Lambert, reporting for Ralph, said everything is current for both BMI and ASCAP. However, ASCAP has increased the fee per attendee from \$0.060 in 2000 to \$0.062 in 2001. Ralph is mailing a memo to the 2001 Summer Festival with the revised fee. (Written Report submitted).

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR'S REPORT. No report.

STATE FAIR COORDINATOR'S REPORT. In the absence of Fran Bunch, Janet Wilkin reported the State Fair begins on August 23, 2001 and runs through September 3, 2001. The theme is "Ain't No Place I'd Rather Be." Dancing will be on the Gazebo again, with one group in the afternoon from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and another group in the evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Clubs need to get applications in soon, and submit a final list of names to Fran by August 1, 2001. Entry to the Fair will be through the Red Gate, with names being checked off a list to get in. There are plans to have a sign up form for one free lesson (name, address, phone) to be placed in a box. The forms will be forwarded to the area where the address is for clubs to have leads for new dancers. They asked for current OFNs to distribute. There will be only one round between tips to see if this will hold the crowd better. Clubs will need to sign up before the July 1 deadline to get the club name published on the daily schedule. Sign ups will be accepted after that, but just won't be published on the schedule. The sign-up application form will be published in the June OFN. Clubs can bring 24 dancers, plus caller and cuer couples. As of May 3rd, the 1st Saturday of the Fair, which is August 25th, has been taken away from the Federation. It may be returned later. She also asked all area councils to provide new dancer class information, but no individual club flyers, by the start of State Fair. She thanked everyone their support. Please forward any questions by writing, phoning, or e-mailing Fran. (Written Report submitted).

ORDTA REPORT. Dennis Smith reported ORDTA held their spring meeting on April 28 in Springfield. The main topic of business was the discussion of the "So You Want To Be A Cuer" program presented at the latest Mid Winter Festival. The group's opinion was that the program was well received, but the prospective cuers were probably overloaded with too much information. ORDTA's plans include cutting the information down to include what is involved in becoming a cuer but not how to cue or choreograph dances. The meeting adjourned to a short workshop on Salsa. The next ORDTA meeting will be held on Saturday morning, July 14, at the Summer Festival in Redmond. (Written Report submitted).

ROUND DANCE SCREENING. In the absence of Barbara Schaumburg, Dennis Smith reported the Round of the Month for June, 2001 is "One Rose" written by Hank & Jetty Walstra Waltz; for July, 2001, "Jonfison's Rag" written by Maxine & Dale Springer; and for August, 2001 'Happy Sounds" written by Goldie & Earl Restorff. E-mail notification and certificates have been sent out. (Written Report submitted).

CALLER ADVISOR'S REPORT. Linda Lambert said there was no report.

DELEGATE MEETING REPORT. Rex Bounds said the Delegate meeting was very good, with discussion regarding the proposed motions on the Randall Award and Square Dance Week.

Carolyn Bosch moved the State Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs reimburse each Council up to \$75.00 for expenses incurred for the promotion of the Oregon State Federation Square Dance Week, with the funds to come from the Square Dance Enhancement Fund, seconded by Karel Morris. Carolyn explained the reason for the motion was that at least two Councils had already approved budgets that did not include funding for callers, cuers or flyers for Square Dance Week. Ed pointed out that would amount to about \$1,000. Linda pointed out that the dance planned at the Capitol was not costing anything. She felt it was a benefit to not only square dancers, but callers and cuers, to donate time, equipment and talents to get new dancers out. It was her opinion the motion should be voted down. Lee Ashwill noted this was a New Business item. Larry Reetz moved to table the motion until New Business, seconded by Linda. Motion was voted on and carried.

Barbi asked that Penny Brown, Sandy Eddings and Tina Cykler count the ballots.

BREAK. 10:58 to 11:23 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS. None.

NEW BUSINESS.

Kay Rogers moved that the Practices and Procedures Section V, Page 10, and Section VII, Page 8, be modified to allow the club insurance premium checks be mailed directly to the Insurance Chairman with the insurance paperwork, instead of checks being mailed direct to the Treasurer, seconded by Karel Morris. Kay explained this change will make it easier for the Insurance Chairman to consolidate the information as to which clubs have sent in their checks. It will simplify communication between the Treasurer and the Insurance Chairman during the year when all the checks and paperwork, for insurance, are sent to the same place. Also, this will assist the Insurance Chairman with knowing what kind of budget he/she is working with. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously.

Larry Reetz moved that the Randall Award be moved from the Mid-Winter Chairman as Chairperson to the Past President for the Oregon Federation, seconded by Linda. Larry explained the motion would affect Section 7, Page 32, of the Practices and Procedures. He said the Federation presents the Wood Award and the Chairman's Trophy at the Summer Festival but in no other way directly recognize individual square dancers for their efforts to promote this activity. For the past several years, the Mid-Winter Committee and Emerald Empire Council have been responsible for the Randall Award. It's felt that it's time for the Randall Award to be an integral part of the Oregon Federation itself. Moving the responsibility to the Past President would not increase that position's responsibility significantly. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously. Barbi thanked the delegates for the changes they made yesterday.

Linda Lambert moved that the existing cooperative advertising fund be eliminated and that the remaining \$3,900.00 be re-divided between the 13 area councils, which would have until January 15, 2002, to have reimbursement requests in the hands of the State Publicity Chairman, in a matching fund arrangement, to be effective immediately upon passage of this motion, seconded by Bill Rooper. Ed clarified that this motion would be immediately effective, but that one Council had planned to spend its' funds and this would reduce the amount it could spend. Angie Barta, representing the Emerald Empire, thought the agreement for the cooperative advertising funds did not expire until July 31st and her Council had plans to spend its \$400, which would now be reduced to \$300. Linda explained that the purpose was for all Councils to have funds available to spend toward Square Dance Week and the Blitz and time was getting short for arranging such advertising. Bill Rooper thought it wasn't quite fair that some Councils, like Portland Area, had spent all their funds and would now have an additional \$300 to spend. Kay Rogers pointed out the funds had been available over the last six years and that redistributing the balance was the right thing to do. Motion was voted on and carried with nine voting in favor and seven against.

Linda Lambert moved to remove the motion that the State Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs reimburse each Council up to \$75.00 for expenses incurred for the promotion of the Oregon State Federation Square Dance Week, with the funds to come from the Square Dance Enhancement Fund, from the table for reconsideration, seconded by Larry. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously. Virginia Meyers said her area would have to pay a caller and cuer and, since they didn't know this event was coming up, funds weren't budgeted. Upon questioning by Linda, Virginia said they didn't have to pay a caller for demos, if it was convenient for the caller. Angie said this proposal came up before the cooperative purchasing fund issue was decided and that since it would be available for Square Dance Week expenses, this motion didn't seem necessary. Upon questioning by Bill Rooper, Ed explained the cooperative advertising funds were to reach non-square dancers and were granted on a matching fund basis. This motion would grant \$75 outright, with no matching funds. Motion was voted on and failed, with seven voting in favor and nine opposed.

DELEGATE REPORTS

BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL. Bonnie Berry reported the Elgin Indian Valley Paraders held their annual crab feed, including chicken for those who didn't want crab, followed by dancing. On May 12th the Elkhorn Swingers of Baker City will host their annual Spring Fling, which promises to be a great weekend for anyone wanting to make the trek across the state to beautiful eastern Oregon. On May 26th the Alpine Twirlers of Enterprise are having their annual hoe-down. LaGrande Star Promenaders are cancelling their regular dance schedule on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays for June, July and August, but they will continue their Thursday night workshops. Visitations are being planned for those months. Plans are in the making to dance August 18th and tie it in with Oregon Trail Days in LaGrande. (Written Report submitted).

ELECTION RESULTS. Barbi said election results were available, noting that Linda would succeed to President. Results are as follows: First Vice President - Kay Rogers; Second Vice President - Carolyn Bosch; Recording Secretary - Nancy Cobb; Corresponding Secretary - Marilyn Schmit; and Membership - Clara Kilbourne. Barbi reminded everyone that the Treasurer serves for a two year term, thus Don Reed would continue as Treasurer for one more year. Linda moved to destroy the ballots, seconded by Larry. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously. Barbi thanked the counting committee.

CENTRAL OREGON COUNCIL. Virginia Meyers reported the Bachelor Beauts would be holding mainstream dances during the summer, with a plus tip to end the evening. They collected non-perishable food for the Central Oregon Food Bank at the "Hard Times" dance and are planning for the Detroit weekend. They had 18 squares, including many new dancers, for the 38th Annual Birthday Luau.

The High Lake Swingers will be going to Dale & Betty Roberson's 50th wedding anniversary celebration on June 1st as a visitation. Plans for the Fort Rock Hoedown the third week-end in September are almost complete.

The Sagebrush Shufflers' birthday dance was well attended. They're hearing encouraging news that a new hall will be built in the near future. They had a successful amateur night with a few "amateurs" who appear to have good potential as professionals.

The Red Rock Squares finished a very successful set of mainstream lessons in March with the addition of 16 new members and 2 new associate members. The Round Dance on March 25th was well received and plans are being made to do this again! A garage sale was held on April 21st with many interesting items being sold and lots of fun being experienced. The Western Hoedown Red Rock Birthday dance will be on June 13th. Summer Festival plans are taking lots of time and effort with the BBQ being a real priority.

The Swinging Mountaineers are planning for the Fiesta Birthday Dance on May 11. They just completed plus and DBD workshops and are planning for the world class Sisters Rodeo June 8, 9 & 10; which is the only fund raiser the Club does. The bus trip to visit the Independence Wagon Wheelers which was planned for April 14th has been changed to September 8th. The Plus workshops were very well attended this year, with five to six squares attending.

The Central Oregon Council voted to let the individual clubs in the area make their own plans regarding dancing on August 18th. The Bachelor Beauts and the Swinging Mountaineers will dance at the Wal Mart store in Bend, the Sagebrush Shufflers will dance at the Ochoco Mall in Prineville, The High Lake Swingers will dance at Midstate Electric parking lot with Dick Kohler calling, and the Red Rocks' demo

is still in the planning stages.

EASTERN OREGON AREA COUNCIL. Nancy Cobb reported Lorene Griffith had called with regrets she and George were unable to attend due to ranch priorities. The Hermiston Square Knots are having a camp out at Hat Rock State Park on June 1, 2 and 3. A registration form and more details are in the May OFN on Page 38. The Grand Squares are having their anniversary dance on May 12 and then will be dark until September.

EMERALD EMPIRE COUNCIL. Angie Barta reported the Council had a benefit dance in March for the Women's and Children's Division of the Eugene Mission, raising \$217, which the Council voted to increase to \$400. They are having an OFN subscription dance on Wednesday, May 9th. The Single Trees fed 225 dancers at their Mid-Winter after party, They plan to have an after party in 2002, and now have a chair for that event. The Council will have a Blitz Day dance August 18 at the Gateway Mall from 2-4 p.m. The Single Trees are going dark for the Summer Festival. The Florence Fun Bunch are back to dancing at the Rhodadendron Primary School.

INTERSTATE HIGHLANDERS. Cathy Pochatko reported the Happy Huggers had 13 beginners graduate on June 3rd. They will have a dance on May 12th, but are going dark June, July and August due to very busy summer.

Tule Twirlers had a successful Beginner Hoedown on April 29th with 28 squares and 229 dancers. All of the callers and cuers donated their fees to Tony Nevisen Fund for a bench with a plaque that says in Memory of the Taller Caller. The Saturday night before they had a dance with 10 squares! They will now be dancing every other month (odd).

KC's have 3 beginners and will graduate May 17th. They will be dark July and August. Their June dance is an Armed Forces Day Dance.

The Highlanders will be in charge of Square Dance week. They have tentative plans to dance at several locations throughout the week. The Mayor of Klamath Falls is writing a proclamation and the Committee is looking into free advertising first, then where they can get the "big bang for our buck."

The Happy Huggers are looking for a cuer.

LINCOLN-TILLAMOOK COUNCIL. Buzz Buczkowski reported they had elected new officers for their area on March 31st. The Coast Swingers graduated 10 people from their new dancer class and eight have joined the club. They are having progressive dances for these new dancers. They have eight people in their newly started class. The club is having demo dances in the Tillamook area and are getting people signed up for future classes. Their theme dances are doing well with two to three squares. Their 10th anniversary dance will be May 12th. They will have a float in the June Dairy Festival parade and a dance. Both Sherri Miller and Rick Petterson are undergoing chemo therapy for cancer and thank everyone for their prayers, support and good wishes.

The Sea Twirlers lost their caller, Mike Komma, and due to lack of new members and old members not attending dances, they have decided to become a traveling club. They will host the next Area dance on June 8th and plan a club dance in September.

Toledo 49ers are hosting their big event this weekend in Newport, the Loyalty Days Dance along with the parade, visiting ships, etc. Club members have been visiting in the valley and Portland area to publicize the week-end and have a great weekend planned for those attending. They also welcome back snow birds, the Jones and Westphals. They are planning on demo dances at Beverly Beach State Park and in Siletz and Toledo during the summer along with those at the Lincoln County and Oregon State Fairs in hopes of attracting dancers for future new dancer classes.

The Waldport Sunset Squares have elected to disband their club due to lack of membership.

Charlotte Jeskey and Bob Schindler are planning to hold a plus dance with every 3rd tip A-1, on the 4th Friday of each month, beginning August 24th.

MID-WILLAMETTE AREA COUNCIL. Harriet Livingston reported there were 26 new dancers that picked up badges from the last set of lessons in the area. The Independence Wagon Wheelers earned a banner for attending 80% of the area dancers. There will be dancing on the front steps of the Capitol for Blitz Day, August 18th. Some clubs started lessons in January and February and there are four new dancer dances planned. A local newspaper came and took photos and did interviews resulting in a big spread. Also a student from Willamette University was doing her senior project about the culture of square dancing. Harriet also commented on the success of the benefit dance.

PORTLAND AREA COUNCIL. Bill Rooper reported the Portland Area Council clubs have been busy graduating new dancers, electing new officers, and getting ready for summer. PAC Council members have been visiting member clubs and planning special events. PAC joined Tualatin Valley Council in February with a Youth Dance, which was a great success with about 70 youths from 22 different clubs. A challenge from the TVC to the PAC to have more dancers at the Evergreen's 5th Saturday Dance, March 31, proved PAC short a few dancers. A new PAC map directory has been published. The annual Rose Festival Dance is scheduled for June 3, Sunday, at the Clark County Square Dance Center in Vancouver. Ribbons are available at \$5.00 per person. PAC's annual Benefit Dance was April 22 at the Milwaukie, Community Center, with the proceeds going to Loaves and Fishes/Meals on Wheels. The Starlight Parade float will be hosted this year by the B&B's with the Canby Cloverleafs as the guest club. PAC will dance at the Multnomah County Fair July 7 to 22. PAC voted to help clubs purchase a hearing enhancement kit by paying up to \$200 of the cost for each club.

The North Willamette Callers and Cuers Association presented a plan for new dancer lessons in the greater Portland-Vancouver area. They are committed to a three year trial in which they will do the promotion, hall and caller costs, provided the three councils PAC, TVC, Evergreen all agree to pay up to \$600 each if necessary. Classes will be offered year-round and a new class will start every 12 weeks. Classes will be offered in both the Eastside and Westside of Portland. All three councils have agreed to match NWCCA's \$600 guarantee.

PAC's June meeting will be a potluck picnic at Clackamas Park, and will include the installation of new or recycled officers and only a minimum of business.

ROGUE SIS-Q AREA COUNCIL. Rex Bounds reported that Tony Nevisen, calling for Circles & Squares, died of a heart attack about three weeks ago. Jay Doumis has returned to calling but with a bit less extensive calling schedule. Lantz's Dancers had a Peanut Butter Dance and Earth Day Dance. Ramblin' Rogues graduated a class of 20 students in April. Southern Oregon Singles birthday dance had 104 in attendance. Star Promenaders graduated a class of 26. They are collecting bears to give to stressed children by Fire and police Department.

The Council elected officers. Rex thanked all members of area council who supported him in hosting the state meeting.

SOUTH COAST AREA COUNCIL. Karel Morris reported at the recent South Coast Area dance (which was a subscription dance), there were 10 OFN subscriptions including both new and renewals. The Area continues to make preparations for the November State Meeting. The clubs are continuing with lessons and graduation is approaching. There are ongoing plans for upcoming birthday dances and festivals. Saints'N'Aints sponsored a benefit dance for the local Boys and Girls Club, with donations of \$317.00. This money will be used for scholarships for children unable to afford membership fees.

SUNSET EMPIRE COUNCIL. Mac Wilcox reported the Astoria Hayshakers had a successful annual Clam Diggers Stomp. Upcoming events are the Seaside Sashay, the fourth weekend in October on the 26th, 27th and 28th.

Despite all efforts to attract new dancers, the Clatskanie Promenaders club, which has been in existence for 45 years, made the decision to hold its last official dance on June 9, 2001. He thanked everyone who took the time, and made the effort, to visit them.

TUALATIN VALLEY COUNCIL. Carolyn Bosch reported the TVC elected new officers for the coming year. They are looking forward to an exciting year coming up, noting events for the coming year are in the process of being worked out. We are planning for the 4th of July Parade in Hillsboro, where they will be handing out flyers with class schedules on them and inviting the spectators to come join in a fun evening. Plans for the State Meeting are in the process. A list of motels and RV sites as well as meeting times will be available by the next meeting at Redmond. Their wheel chair group, the Rollin Squares have disbanded due to illness and the lack of a caller.

UMPQUA AREA COUNCIL. John Hernandez reported the Boots and Calico's Square and Round Dance Club have a dance planned for May 11 and June 23, but are cancelling several other dances including the July dances to go dark for Summer Festival and the Diamond Lake Festival. The Buckeroo Round Up is June 1-3, with a pancake breakfast Sunday morning. Pioneers 'n' Petticoats class graduated on May 3, 2001.

ACTIVE GOODWILL AMBASSADOR REPORTS

TIM AND KATHY ROBERTS. Tim said he and Kathy enjoyed the TVC's Youth Dance in February. There was a big crowd of young people and supportive experienced dancers packed into the Winona Grange. They were in Redmond on Sunday during spring break, and noticing a passel of cars at the Redmond Grange, they dropped in and found several Central Oregon Council clubs trying an experiment in Sunday dancing. Based on the crowd, it was a success. They had a good time at the PAC 5th Friday dance in March and participated in the PAC/TVC visitation to the Evergreen Council on the 5th Saturday in March. The TVC voted not to hold a 5th Saturday dance, and instead go visit the Evergreen Council. Since they dance on the same night, we rarely get the opportunity to go visiting. The visitation was successful beyond their hopes; there were more than 36 squares packed in to the Clark County Square Dance Center, including more than 50 TVC visitors. All three councils agreed they needed to find a way to do that again. Tim said he and Kathy had also visited the Valley Squares in April as part of the Toe Dragers mystery trip. One of the highlights of the mystery trip evening was the lasagna dinner prepared by their club president for the whole club.

DICK AND MARGE PENTECOST. Marilyn Schmit read the Pentecost's report, highlighting that they have been attending the Portland Area Council monthly meetings as delegates of Columbia Gorge Plus Dancers They have been busy either attending dances or calling/cueing for the Lone Grand Squares, the WyEast Whirlers, the Columbia River Plus, the Bachelor Beaus and Swinging Mountaineers, the Swap & Swing Square Dance Club and the Fort Dalles Riders. The Fort Dalles Riders is a saddle club that asked Dick to teach them to square dance on horseback. They had great time with this project and have been made honorary lifetime members.

Marge also added the following note: I want to thank each and every one of you for your care and love shown to Dick and me during my fight with breast cancer. I am doing very well, but it has been a battle I am past the half-way date of my radiation. I do not have to have chemotherapy. The prognosis is excellent for my complete recovery, and part of that is relative to the prayers, phone calls, and cards that I have received from not just the OFSRDC but individual members too. Both Dick and I appreciate WHO you ARE - WHAT you DO - and what you HAVE DONE for us in this difficult time of our lives.

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!

DON AND KAREL MORRIS. Karel said that since Midwinter Festival, they hadn't danced, but did spend two months in Arizona delighting in the benefits of retirement. They enjoyed visits with Ken and Nancy Carson and Benjamin and Penny Brown. In Yuma, there was a get-together and potluck with some of the Oregon square dancers. They are looking forward to the National Convention in Anaheim.

RAY AND BETTY JONES. Betty Jones said they were enjoying every minute of being back in wonderful Oregon, although they like the winters in the sun, with round and square dance opportunities daily and all days being play-days. They visited southeastern Arizona and some highlights were the Organ Pipe National Monument, Tombstone, Bisbee, and in Tucson, the Air Museum and DeGrazia's Studio and Museum. They also stopped in Lake Havasu City before hustling on home. In Oregon, the opportunities to dance are fewer, but we still have some work days as we continue as volunteers at the Oregon Coast Aquarium and enjoy seeing winter friends who stop by there from time to time. They are now looking forward to special square dance events like the Lebanon Strawberry Festival week-end and Summer Festival in Redmond in July. They also hope to get to Ocean Shores Washington to dance with friends there in June and the next week, on to Anaheim with so many of you! She regretted that the State Meeting this week-end, for the second year, falls on the special dance week-end of our own club, the Toledo 49ers, at Loyalty Days in Newport, hoping that next year there would be no conflict and that most of the state would come join in this event.

BENJAMIN AND PENNY BROWN. Benjamin said they didn't want to hear Dave (Hughes) sing (which he threatened to do if no one purchased OFN subscription gift certificates) and had purchased two of the gift certificates to be used as gifts. Penny reported that after Mid-Winter, they went south to Arizona and had a wonderful time visiting friends, relatives and fellow square dancers. They didn't square dance but provided Summer Festival and Mid-Winter information down to Ray and Betty Jones, which they distributed at the Yuma Festival in February. They visited Al and Fran Westphal, who send their regards. As full-time RV'ers, they have become semi-active in the Escapees organization which caters to the "serious" RV'er. Through that organization, they joined the Square Dance Birds of a Feather (B..O.F.). After Anaheim, they will be traveling to Wisconsin, West Virginia, Louisiana, Florida, Texas, California and be gone for one year, but will keep in touch via e-mail. They wished a big thank you to the Rogue Sis-Q Council for a wonderful weekend.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Ed Warmoth reported he had sold 49 decals and only had about 550 more.

Larry Reetz noted on behalf of Mid-Winter, everyone at this meeting received a "Where to Stay in Oregon" book that was made available through the Eugene Visitors & Convention Bureau. He and Carol have found it to be very useful. Mid-Winter flyers are available and everyone was given a supply. The sale packet will be available after Summer Festival.

Cathy Pochatko said that Ron had been asked to call a dance for a studio group doing a marathon. There were almost two squares. She was able to get two young men sitting in the audience to participate; they did four adult lessons in 45 minutes. She handed out cards to all the adults who had an interest in taking lessons. She said they were working on doing demonstrations during basketball half-times at the college and high schools.

Dave Hughes reported all 25 OFN subscription gift certificates had been sold and he would be bringing more to Summer Festival. He asked that area delegates let him know when clubs are dark so the information can be included in the OFN.

Lee Ashwill made his last pitch for advance registration low numbers before taking them to the National

Convention in Anaheim.

Bonnie Berry displayed a t-shirt to promote square dancing. Kathy Roberts said the new Hewlett-Packard printers can print a transfer taht can be designed on your computer and spruce up an inexpensive t-shirt. She thanked everyone for supporting the successful youth dance, noting there were 130 dancers and five Councils represented. She said they would be happy to help any other council promote a teen dance.

Cathy Pochatko said that t-shirts promoting square dancing only cost \$8.00 apiece and come in a variety of colors.

ADJOURN. 12:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Cobb
Recording Secretary