

FOIK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.

Assembly Meeting

January 21, 1968

The Assembly meeting was called to order at 12:02 by President Bill D'Alvy in the Civic Auditorium, San Jose. Vern Kirk was appointed Sergeant at Arms and the register was signed by the following:

Elected Officers (8):

President, BILL D'ALVY	Dir. of Extension, RAY KANE
Vice-President, JULES DI CICCIO	Dir. of Publicity, LANYA PAVLIGER
Treasurer, BRUCE MITCHELL	Dir. of Publications, JIM RASELLA
Recording Secretary, GAIL CLUNE	Historian, BEE MITCHELL

Appointed Members (14):

Director, ELDON KANE	Research Coor., absent
Office Secretary, VI DEXHEIMER	Legislative Com., LAWRENCE JERUE
Editor, Let's Dance, VI DEXHEIMER	No.-So. Rel. Com., JULES DI CICCIO
Bus.Mgr., Let's Dance, WALT DEXHEIMER	Scholarship Com., GORDON DEEG
Parliamentarian, LAWRENCE JERUE	Fest. Adv. Com., MILLIE VON KONSKY
Calendar Chairman, SUZY MARTINE	By-Laws Com., ELDON KANE
Corresponding Secty, ANN D'ALVY	Costume Com., absent
Institute Com., BOBBY BURKE	Statewide '68 Com., JULES DI CICCIO

Regional Council Presidents (5):

Diablo, Inactive	Peninsula, D. T. CIAMPI
Greater East Bay, DOLLY SCHEIHAL	Redwood, absent
Fresno, absent	Sacramento, ELMER A. RIBA
Marin, absent	San Francisco, ERNEST DRESCHER
Monterey Bay, absent	Stockton, CHESTER WRIGHT

Past Federation Presidents (3):

1959-1960 - MILLIE VON KONSKY
1960-1961 - LAWRENCE JERUE
1966-1967 - ELDON KANE

Member Club Delegates (25):

American Squares, PHIL MARON	Oro, GIL KUNDERT
Berkeley Folk Dancers, ED HUSSEY	Pairs & Spares, JIM OXFORD
Cantia, GORDON DEEG	Palo Alto F.D., ELIZABETH BUENO
Cayuga Twirlers, LEO HAMMER	Petaluma Int. F.D., FRANK BACHER
Dance Arts, VERN VON KONSKY	R.ScottishC.D.S., EUGENE BISSELL
East Bay W.D.C., MILLIE VON KONSKY	S.F.Merrymixers, WALT DEXHEIMER
Ensemble International, GAY OSBORN	Steptotogethers, GWEN RASELLA
Gaynighters, DOROTHY HENNEY	Terpsichoreans, GAIL CLUNE
Hardly Ables, ANN D'ALVY	Triple S, LAWRENCE JERUE
Kalico Kutters, INA ECKERT	Walnut Whillers, VIRGINIA BISSELL
Novato FolkDancers, BERNICE SCHRAM	Whirl-A Jigs, CLEO BALDWIN
Oakland F.D., LOUISE SCHELLARE	Marin Whirlaways, A. F. MELVILLE
O.R.D.Int.F.D., SUZY MARTINE	

Associate Members (58):

Frank Bacher, Cleo Baldwin, Eugene and Virginia Bissell, Ron and Elizabeth Bueno, Bobby Burke, D. T. Ciampi, Gail Clune, Bill and Ann D'Alvy, Gordon Deeg, Walt and Vi Dexheimer, Jules Di Cicco, Earl Eckert, Ferol Garner, Leo and Rose Hammer, Martha Hart, Dorothy Henney, Ed Hussey, Lawrence and Catherine Jerue, Eldon and Frances Kane, Ray Kane, Vern Kirk, Gil Kundert, Leo Marcucci, Phil Maron, Suzy Martine, A. F. and Ruth Melville, Bee Mitchell, Bruce Mitchell, Ino.K. Monti, Cliff Wickell, Ford and Gay Osborn, Jim Oxford, Duke and Lanya Pavliger, Jim and Gwen Rasella, Elmer and Milli Riba,

Louise Schellare, Dolly Schiwal, Bernice Schram, Lloyd Stoneking, Vern and Millie Von Konsky, Bert Warren, Bob Williams, Phyllis Wilson, Chester and Jan Wright.

Guests (10):

Florence E. Edwards, Connie Fanos, Rhonda and Ronald Kane, Margaret Lane, Milton Peyre, Mary Rastatter, Camille Soprano, Ivy Stewart.

Welcome

Dom Ciampi, President of the Peninsula Council, expressed pleasure in being able to host the Northern Lights festival in San Jose and welcomed all dancers. He introduced Ron Bueno, the General Chairman of the festival and he in turn welcomed everyone to San Jose and requested that all dancers please register in order to provide an attendance record for the City of San Jose on which to base a request for festivals in the future. All members were invited to enjoy refreshments following the meeting.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting - December 3, 1967

Jules DiCicco requested that the price quoted for cost of film footage for making a folk dance movie (page 5) be deleted as the comment had been facetious and not meant for the record.

Communications

1. Letter received from Blumenfeld Theatres offering discount rates to groups of over 100 persons.
2. Letter received from Takaiti Osasi of Japan who identified himself as a "Balkan maniac in Japan," and requested information re dance descriptions and costume information. Bill pointed out that this letter demonstrates the scope of our influence by way of Let's Dance Magazine and the Costume Calendars and stressed the extent of cooperation from the Costume Committee and record dealers in accumulating information in order to answer his specific questions.

Officer Reports

Vice-President - Jules DiCicco

Jules reported that the Council Presidents Committee meeting that morning had been attended by representatives from five council areas and he introduced them as follows:

Ernie Drescher, San Francisco	Dolly Schiwal, Greater East Bay
Vern Kirk, Peninsula V.P.	Chet Wright, Stockton
Elmer Riba, Sacramento	Dorothy Henney, Secretary

He reported that Bee Mitchell had been invited to attend the meeting to help organize a perpetual advisory committee regarding scholarships. Four persons have accepted and one more will be appointed.

Treasurer - Bruce Mitchell

Bruce reported that he has not as yet heard from 24 clubs in regard to Treasurer's Ball ticket sales. Proceeds thus far are \$685 (as compared to \$689 last year) but expenses are quite different. This year's expenses have been \$157.52, leaving a \$527.48 profit so far. He felt the dance was a success, with the floor full most of the time. Bruce thanked the Vallejo area for a job well done, and reported 685 had supported the Ball financially.

Bruce announced that BYU, Gateswingers, Modesto Folk Dancers, Oro, Santa Lucia Swingers, Sunnyside, Swinging Circle, Triple S, Vallejo Folk Dancers, Walnut Whirlers and the Chinese Dance Exhibition

Group had all sold their entire complement. BYU, the farthest away, not only sold their entire complement, but were first! Bruce then distributed gifts that had not as yet been claimed.

Bruce's financial report follows:

Treasurer's Report: December 3, 1967 to January 21, 1968

GENERAL FUND:

Balance, December 3, 1967 \$ 878.79

Receipts:

Dues:

Clubs \$ -----
Associates 44.00 \$ 44.00

Scholarships -----
Volumes 34.65

Let's Dance:

Advertising 12.00
Singles 7.20
New 62.10
Renewals 475.80 557.10

Institute -----

Directories 14.45

Decals 5.75

Sticker List -----

Calendars 216.25

Procedure Manual 1.00

Dance Dictionary .55

Bumper Strips .50

Miscellaneous:

Treasurer's Christmas Party 530.00

Cancelled check replacement 5.00

1,409.25

\$ 2,288.04

Disbursements:

Let's Dance \$ 977.92

Office 215.85

Taxes (3rd Quarter W/H & FICA) 145.50

Unemployment Insurance--State (3rd Qtr) 10.50

Treasurer's Christmas Party 92.52

Institute--January 55.00

Miscellaneous:

Canadian Currency Adjustment .52

Refund--Associate Membership 2.00

1,499.81

\$ 788.23

Balance, January 21, 1968:

RESERVE FUND:

Balance, January 21, 1968 - No change \$ 2,100.02

Volume Fund: Balance as of 12/3/67 \$ 338.55

Vol. sold 12/3/67 to 1/21/68 32.45

\$ 371.00

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Balance, January 21, 1968 -- No change \$ 1,070.33

TEACHER TRAINING FUND:

RESERVE FUND:

Balance, January 21, 1968 - No Change \$ 784.45

GENERAL FUND:

Balance, January 21, 1968 - No Change \$ 82.44

Director of Extension - Ray Kane

Ralph and Elsa Miller, Louise Schellare, and Phyllis Wilson were accepted as Associate Members.

Vi Dexheimer presented Jack McKay for Associate Membership. Bill reminded Ray that Barney Lutterman of Reno was going to become an Associate Member and asked that Ray follow him up.

Director of Publicity, Lanya Pavliger

Lanya reported the 3rd costume description and all dance lists have been given to Vi for publication. There will be three more costume descriptions coming. Lanya expressed concern that the descriptions are not getting to those who want and need them. Bill emphasized spreading around the costume information--and not hoarding it. He also reminded the Assembly that duplicates are available. Lanya is also working on Statewide '68 publicity.

Director of Publications - Jim Rasella

Jim asked that the dance description volumes be stressed, especially volumes B and C. To illustrate how valuable these volumes are, he read the table of contents of one of these volumes. Bill mentioned the volumes are not for teachers only--they are for everyone. Approval for reprinting volume A-1 was asked for. Eldon Kane made a motion that 500 be reprinted. The motion was seconded by Lawrence Jerue and passed by the Assembly.

Jim also asked that calendars be distributed to the clubs, not stored away in someone's garage where they'll be forgotten. He emphasized that the costume information is invaluable, even though 1968 has already begun.

Jim closed by asking for a concerted effort of communication about publications.

Historian - Bee Mitchell

Bee asked that thanks be given to Fresno for the nice packet of newspaper clippings she recently received.

Office Secretary and Editor, Let's Dance - Vi Dexheimer

Vi announced that as of February 1, Bobby Burke would be the new office secretary. Then she announced the proceeds of the calendar thus far are \$579, enough to pay for the artwork, printing, etc. From now on, income will be profit. Bobby Burke was introduced to the Assembly as one interested in folk dancing and one who has done much to further folk dancing. Vi expressed great confidence that a good job will be done in the office.

She announced one page of the dictionary had been received. This page will be printed as part of Let's Dance, in order to save printing costs.

Business Manager, Let's Dance - Walt Dexheimer

Walt thanked San Jose for their ads and reminded the Assembly to visit the St. Clair Hotel and Garden City Restaurants during the weekend. He announced he had the printed thank you cards with him, so the folk dance patronage is recognized.

Calendar Chairman - Suzy Martine

Suzy reported she still has not received a reply to the letter to Salinas regarding the change of Federation festival from there to Stockton.

Institute Committee - Bobby Burke

Bobby announced the spring institute on February 18 at the Eagles Hall. The instructors will be Mr. Joukowsky and Ruth Ruling. The April institute has been cancelled due to the Camellia Festival institute, special Hungarian institutes, and Statewide.

She reminded the Assembly of the importance of returning the questionnaire (attached to the last minutes--December 3) so future institutes can be governed by the wishes of the dancers. Planning is underway for the Statewide institute. Teachers have been picked and will be announced when confirmed. There will be two from the North and one from the South.

Dance Research

Bernice Schram reported the second supplement to the dictionary had been completed. A future meeting date has not been set as yet. Bill mentioned that next year will be the 20th year for Dorothy Tamburini serving as head of the Dance Research Committee!

Costume Research

Dorothy Kvalnes was not present. Edith Grant had a display table at the Institute on Saturday in San Jose on Mexican costumes. This will be attempted at each of the Institutes from now on--with costumes related to the dances taught. Bill asked that dancers not be afraid to ask questions.

Legislative - Lawrence Jerue

Lawrence remarked it is still too early to begin "politicizing!"

Scholarship Committee - Gordon Deeg

Gordon reported February 1 is the due date for scholarship applications. One has been turned in so far. The due date will not be postponed. He reminded the Assembly there is no upper age limit.

Festival Advisory Committee - Millie Von Kinsky

1) The Children's Festival in the Oakland Auditorium will be January 28 from 1:30-3:30. Millie announced there will be 10 circles of children dancing!

2) The Camellia festival brochure was shown and the festival recommended for dancers and spectators alike.

3) BYU will have its first folk dance camp this summer--June 10 through the week. Andor Czampo will be on the faculty, and Millie will be working on the elementary school program.

4) Millie reported that once again Don Jerue has been called to Reserve duty, and reported he is available for technical help and logical advice with festival procedures. She recommended the Festival Procedure Manual, saying it should be kept in all clubs' libraries.

By-laws - Eldon Kane

There has been no meeting as yet.

Concert - Millie Von Kinsky

Millie reported there are 28 people on her staff for the concert including Bill D'Alvy, executive coordinator; Jules DiCicco, Statewide coordinator; and herself, director. There was a meeting on the 14th with reports given from 2 to 7 p.m. She remarked that many questions were raised, some of which should be answered at Jules' Statewide Meeting on February 4.

Genevieve Pereira, Millie's Concert Secretary, is making a complete report which will be duplicated. Let Millie know if you wish

to have a copy.

She reported most of the music and questionnaires are in. Perhaps there will be an ethnic German group from Los Angeles also.

Bill reminded the Assembly that this is all being done for the Federation's benefit--for the dancers. He asked that all dancers spread the word and push tickets. Adding to Jules' slogan:

4600 is our aim

Everybody buy a ticket and be glad you came.

Statewide '68 - Jules DiCicco

Jules announced his meeting on February 4 at the Dimond Recreation Center and praised his hard-working committee.

President's Report - Bill D'Alvy

Teacher Training: Bill announced that the date being aimed for is Spring, 1969. He said basics would be stressed and anyone is welcome, not just teachers. He hopes this will produce more good teachers, which are badly needed.

New Business

Bruce mentioned that at the last Executive Board Meeting, there was discussion regarding the Treasurer's Ball. The Executive Board went on record recommending that for all future money-making events, all committee members, Federation officers, and exhibition group members are expected to purchase tickets and support the event.

Cleo Baldwin of Sacramento recommended that Camellia Festival Institute tickets be purchased prior to the Camellia Festival weekend. The Festival will be March 9-10. The 14th Annual Festival begins for Sacramento on March 1, and includes many different activities. This year's theme is Fantasy of Gods. Over 20,000 people participated in last year's festival, not including spectators. Lawrence Jerue and his committee turned over 22 ads to Let's Dance from the Sacramento area and asked the Assembly to be sure and patronize these advertisers.

February 11 - Warm Up Festival in San Francisco's Kezar Barn.

10:30 - Council Presidents Meeting.

12:00 - Assembly Meeting - the report of the nominating committee will be given.

1:30 - Program begins.

This will be a combination Regional and Federation Festival. The admission is 75¢ and will entitle the dancer to door prizes, cookies, and coffee all afternoon.

Bill announced the next Executive Board Meeting on March 24.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gail Clune

Recording Secretary.

P.S. My thanks to Ann D'Alvy for covering the first section of the minutes.