

FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIF., INC.  
ASSEMBLY MEETING - SAN FRANCISCO

April 20, 1969

The meeting was called to order by the President, Bruce Mitchell, at 12:07 p.m.

San Francisco Council President Jim Wright was introduced, and welcomed us all to the Festival, wishing us a good day.

Jules Di Cicco was appointed Sergeant-at-Arms, and the following signed the register:

Elected Officers: (8)

President, Bruce Mitchell  
Vice-President, Ernest Drescher  
Treasurer, Elmer Riba  
Recording Secretary, Suzy Martine

Director of Extension, Dolly Schiwal  
Director of Publicity, Lanya Pavliger  
Director of Publications, June White  
Historian, absent  
Director & Past President, Bill D'Alvy

Appointed Officers: (15)

Office Secretary, Bobby Burke  
Editor, Let's Dance, Vi Dexheimer  
Business Manager, Let's Dance,  
Walt Dexheimer  
Calendar Chairman, Dorothy Henney  
Corresponding Secretary, absent  
Institute Comm., Bobby Burke  
Dance Research Comm., Bernice Schram  
Legislative Comm., Lawrence Jerue

By-Laws Comm., Lawrence Jerue  
North-South Coord. Comm., Millie Coburn  
Teacher Training Comm., Gordon Deeg  
Scholarship Comm., Theda Armentrout  
Festival Advisory Comm., Millie Von  
Konsky  
Costume Research, Ann Koutrouba  
Costume Calendar, Vi Dexheimer  
Film Coord. Comm., Jules DiCicco

Regional Council Presidents: (6)

Diablo, inactive  
Fresno, absent  
Greater East Bay, Dolly Schiwal  
Marin, Fred Sweger  
Monterey Bay Peninsula, absent

Peninsula, Ray Bacon  
Redwood, Wendell Schaal  
Sacramento, Ken Whiteside  
San Francisco, Jim Wright  
Stockton, absent

Past Federation Presidents: (3)

Bill D'Alvy, 1967-1968  
Lawrence Jerue, 1960-1961  
Millie von Konsky, 1959-1960

Member Club Delegates: (30)

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Gil Kundert  
Camtia, John Brakebill  
Cayuga Twirlers, Leo Hammer  
Circle Squares, Millie Coburn  
East Bay Women's Dance Circle  
Millie von Konsky  
Hardly Ables, Ann D'Alvy  
Marin Whirlaways, A. F. Melville  
Novato F. D., Bernice Schram  
O.R.D. Int's F. D., Dolly Schiwal  
Petaluma Int'l F. D., Frank Backer  
Step-Togethers of Marin, Ruth Melville  
Terpsichoreans, S.F., Gail Clune  
Valley of the Moon Swingers,  
Wendell Schaal  
Redwood F. D., Dee Rossi

Berkeley Folk Dancers, Ed Hussey  
Carousel, S. F., Jim Wright  
Changs Int's F. D., Clare Kuhne  
Dance Arts of Oakland, C. V. von Konsky  
Gay Nighters, Dorothy Henney  
Kopachka Dancers, Fred Sweger  
Near & Far Club, Reno, Dwight Michener  
Oakland F. D., Cliff Nickell  
Pairs & Spares, Milli Riba  
Redwood City Docey Doe Club, Theda Armentrout  
Rikudom, Jim Horton  
Sunsetters, Birdie Wilson  
Triple S, Lawrence Jerue  
Whirl-A-Jigs, Cleo Baldwin  
Y W Twirlers, Vern Kirk  
Richmond-San Pablo F. D., Ken Peden

Associate Members: (52)

Bruce Mitchell, Suzy Martine, Dolly Schiwal, Elmer Riba, Lanya Pavliger, Jules DiCicco, Florence Di Cicco, Ray Bacon, Theda M. Armentrout, Catherine Jerue, Lawrence Jerue, Roberta Garcia, Ed Hussey, Gail Clune, Bernice Schram, Frank Backer, Ken Whiteside, Millie Coburn, Ken Peden, Millie von Konsky, Vernon von Konsky, Fred Sweger, John Brakebill, Dorothy Henney, Ann D'Alvy, A. F. Melville, Ruth Melville, Vi Dexheimer, Clare Kuhne, Dee Rossi, Wendell Schaal, Rose Hammer, Leo Hammer, Mary Bailles d'Err, Vern Kirk, Walt Dexheimer, Cliff Nickell, E. J. White, Milli Riba, Ann Koutrouba, Bill D'Alvy, Dwight Mischener, Leo Marcucci, Gordon Deeg, Lloyd Stoneking, Bobby Burke, Gil Kundert, June White, Ernest Drescher, Jim Wright, Jim Oxford, Cleo Baldwin.

Guests: (8)

Hope Garcia, Jeannette Garcia, Birdie Wilson, Doug Wilson, Hazel Streeter, Jim Horton, Kim Donleavy, John Vails.

Previous Minutes

There was one correction noted for the February minutes - Ann D'Alvy is the representative for the Hardly Ables Club, not Ruth Melville as listed. It was then moved by Dolly Schiwal, and seconded by Lawrence Jerue, that the minutes be approved as corrected. The motion carried.

Due to the fact that the Sacramento minutes had not yet been read by everyone present, it was decided to present them for a motion later in the meeting.

Communications

A letter written by the President to the Monterey Bay Peninsula Council was read to the Assembly by the Secretary. It stated that, due to several problems on the Council's part in preparing the annual Salinas festival, it was generally felt that it would be better to cancel it for this year, and perhaps consider it again next year, if the Council can arrange to put the festival on.

Vice-President, Ernest Drescher

The Vice-President stated that, at today's Council Presidents' meeting, it was generally felt that all those going to Statewide in San Diego next month should publicize our Statewide in 1970 as much as possible, both by word of mouth and printed material.

The Council Presidents also felt that perhaps the new system of bulk mailing should be reviewed, due to the fact that only one (1) mailing is permitted each month, and material piles up waiting to be mailed. The President then stated he felt, since this system is new, it would iron itself out within a couple of months, and should be given a chance to work.

Treasurer, Elmer Riba

The Treasurer presented the following report, covering the period from March 7 to April 20, 1969:



FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.

TREASURER'S REPORT

7 March 1969 to 20 April 1969

Balance: 7 March 1969

\$1,041.05

Receipts:

Dues			
Clubs	\$ 35.00		
Associates	76.00	111.00	
Scholarship		117.50	
Volumes		55.37	
Let's Dance:			
Advertising	509.00		
Singles	18.00		
New	42.30		
Renewals	319.60	888.90	
Institutes	- 0 -	- 0 -	
Dance Directories	1.62		
Decals	2.50		
Sticker List	2.50		
Calendars	160.67		
Procedure Manual	3.30		
Dictionary	.40		
Costume Book	5.08	176.07	1,348.84
			\$2,389.89

Disbursements:

Let's Dance	537.41	
Office	282.15	
Canadian Bank Adjustment	1.06	
Miscellaneous		
Refund for Dance Volume	3.07	
1969 Calendar Composition	35.00	
Stamp Machine for office	15.00	
Bulk Mailing Fee (Permit)	30.00	
Printing of Folk Dance Facts	165.00	
Tax Stamp for office	2.95	
Bulk Mailing Postage	13.54	
Transfer to:		
Scholarship Fund	117.50	1,222.68
Balance: 20 April 1969		\$1,167.21



Treasurer's Report (Continued)

RESERVE FUND:

Balance 7 March 1969		\$ 3,471.09
Interest, First Quarter		46.92
Balance 20 April 1969		\$ 3,788.41
Volume Fund, Balance 7 March 1969	867.44	
Volumes sold - 7-3-69 to 4-20-69 (18)	<u>55.37</u>	
Balance 20 April 1969	922.81	
Scholarship Fund, Balance 7 March 1969		1,295.55
Interest, First Quarter		15.91
Transferred		<u>117.50</u>
Balance 20 April 1969		\$ 1,428.96
Teacher Training Fund		
Reserve Fund - Balance 7 March 1969		634.68
Interest, First Quarter		8.33
Balance 20 April 1969		643.01
Balance in General Fund		282.44

Signed: Elmer A. Riba, Treasurer

The Treasurer then quickly reviewed the proposed 1969-1970 budget for the Assembly, explaining some items as he went. It was then moved by Gordon Deeg and seconded by Lawrence Jerue, that the Assembly accept the Budget as proposed. The motion carried.

Recording Secretary, Suzy Martine

The Recording Secretary announced her engagement to John Vails of Marysville. The wedding will take place in San Francisco on October 18, 1969.

The President then presented to both the Recording Secretary and Office Secretary a box of chocolate candy and a card, expressing the thanks of the Folk Dance Federation for their work.

Director of Extension, Dolly Schiwal

The Director of Extension presented the following person for Associate Membership:

Bernard Mann, P. O. Box 947, Cupertino, Calif. 95014

It was moved by Bill D'Alvy and seconded by Lanya Pavliger, that he be accepted as a new Member. The motion carried.

Director of Publicity, Lanya Pavliger

The Director of Publicity stated that she has contacted the Federation photographer, Charles Emerson, regarding the compilation of a photo file, to contain at least three (3) up-to-date photographs of all exhibition groups, for use in newspaper publicity, etc.

Copies of the Simple to Make Costume Book will be taken to Statewide in San Diego for sale there, and more sketches and an updated pattern list will be added during the coming summer.



Director of Publications, June White

The Director of Publications thanked those who had helped her with her work during her recent surgery and recovery.

Recent sales of publications totaled \$3.00.

Historian, Bee Mitchell

Absent - no report.

Office Secretary, Bobby Burke

No report. The Office Secretary did state, however, that those now receiving more than one set of minutes due to Associate Membership and office-holding may request only one set of minutes be sent to them. This will cut down on mailing expense.

Editor, Let's Dance Magazine, Vi Dexheimer

The May issue is at the printers now. The cover design is a special sketch depicting early California and San Diego's 200ths Anniversary.

Business Manager, Let's Dance Magazine, Walt Dexheimer

The Business Manager reported over \$200.00 in ads from the South for the May issue. Dennis Evans of Ukiah is also responsible for \$60.00 worth of ads. There will be a festival in Ukiah on May 17, 1969. Dancing will be from 2:00 to 5:00 in the afternoon, and 7:30 to 10:00 in the evening. Exhibitions and a Kolo Hour are also planned.

Calendar Chairman, Dorothy Henney

No report.

Corresponding Secretary, Cookie Deeg

Absent - no report.

Institute Committee, Bobby Burke

No report. The next Institute will be on May 4, 1969, as reported before. The instructors will be Madelynne Greene, presenting two line dances, and a review of the Hungarian "Red Boots". C. Stewart Smith will present "1314".

Dance Research Committee, Bernice Schram

No report.

Legislative Committee, Lawrence Jerue

No report.

By-laws Committee, Lawrence Jerue

The Chairman stated that he would like comments and suggestions on the proposed By-laws changes sent to him as soon as possible. The changes will be discussed in further detail at the first meeting of the new Executive Board in June.

North-South Coordinating Committee - Millie Coburn

No report.

Scholarship Committee, Theda Mary Armentrout

The Chairman announced the 1969 Scholarship winners. They are the following:

Ruth Meta Bramell, San Francisco  
Phyllis Ann Enos, Sacramento  
Berndt Conrad Yhnell, Sacramento  
Patricia Lisin, Peninsula

Mark Stevens, Marin  
Beverly J. Field, Sacramento  
Florette Butcher, Peninsula  
Allan I. Michaels, Peninsula

It is hoped that all winners will be able to be present at the Annual Meeting in Santa Rosa on May 18th.



Teacher Training Program, Gordon Deeg

The Chairman reported that the Committee met for three hours this morning and will make their final report at the Annual Meeting.

Festival Advisory Committee, Millie von Konsky

The Chairman reported that she had given a Workshop in San Diego on the previous day, and brought back the following comments concerning Statewide:

Please send in your Pre-Registrations before May 18th, in order to benefit from the reduced rates. At this writing there are upwards of 300 Pre-registrations.

Two other conventions will be in town on the same week-end, so make hotel and motel reservations NOW.

The flight to San Diego takes approximately 49 minutes.

The Annual Fourth of July Festival will be held in the Oakland Municipal Auditorium on July 4th itself, which is a Friday this year. There will be an evening Festival also.

The Chairman then introduced Fred Sweger, Marin Council President and member of the Festival Advisory Committee, who spoke briefly about the Festival Procedure Manual. He urged all areas to purchase one for the continued betterment of festivals. The price is only \$1.00. The Office Secretary then stated that she has mailed them to as far away as New York, Canada and Texas. Folk dancing is evidently booming in places beside California!

More concerning Statewide in San Diego - all those flying on the Greater East Bay Council-sponsored plane will be met at the airport by a welcoming group. Do not mail in forms requesting to be met separately - it has been arranged already.

Costume Research Committee, Ann Koutrouba

The Chairman asked that anyone having costume information sign the new form her Committee has prepared and return it to her for future reference. The Committee met this morning to discuss future plans. A costume master file and pattern list will be started soon.

Costume Calendar, Vi Dexheimer

No report

Film Coordinating Committee, Jules DiCicco

The film made in San Jose in January will definitely be shown at the Annual Meeting in Santa Rosa in May.

Federation Photographer, Charles Emerson

Absent - no report.

OLD BUSINESS

Interest Rates - It has been determined that the interest rate that the Federation is now receiving with their account at Morris Plan is as good or better than most other institutions.

Federation Facts Booklet - This publication has been updated and reprinted, and is available free to anyone interested in learning the basics of the Federation.

Federation Insurance - This proves to be a most difficult problem, involving many facets. It has been decided that legal advice is needed, and a person who is also a lawyer will be contacted and his advice sought. It is hoped that he will be able to attend an Assembly meeting and explain the situation to us.



Old Business (continued)

Statewide Questionnaires - It has been determined that, of those responding to the Questionnaire, 80% are in favor of retaining the Concert, and of having it in conjunction with Statewide, when this event is held in the North.

Concerning Statewide 1970 in San Jose, many people have been approached regarding assuming the task of Chairman for the entire event. All so far have refused. Everyone seems to be interested in helping, but no one wants the No. 1 job. The President reminded us that someone has to "carry the ball", and to think hard about this problem. We must find a Chairman soon.

Advertising Brochure Aimed at Non-Dancers - Vi Dexheimer is in charge of this project, and presented a mock-up of her plan. It is now in its final draft form, and will be distributed to Recreation Departments, Y.M.C.A's, etc. It will be printed on colored paper, and will have photos included on it. There will be a tear-off form to fill in and return to the Federation office, with various categories of interest to be checked, i. e., costume information, dance classes, publications, etc. It was felt, after some discussion, that the photos included should be action shots, rather than posed, still pictures. The printing cost will be \$109.00 for 10,000, and \$3.00 per 1,000 for folding. At the onset, only 5,000 of the 10,000 will be folded.

Standard Operating Procedures for Elected Officers and Appointed Chairmen

The President again reminded us that these reports must be sent to him soon--the Federation year ends in May.

Annual Meeting - The date for this meeting is May 18, 1969, a Sunday. It will be a brunch meeting, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Hof Brau in Santa Rosa. There is room for only about 60 people - approximately 30 have made reservations, to date. The film made in San Jose will be shown, and it is hoped that all Federation Scholarship winners will be able to attend.

Sacramento Assembly Minutes - At this point, the minutes of the Sacramento meeting were presented for the approval of the Assembly. It was moved by Jules Di Cicco, and seconded by Lanya Pavliger, that they be accepted as published. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Reno Festival - Dwight Mischener, representing the Near & Far Club of Reno, Nevada, requested as much help as possible from the Federation. He announced that the Festival will be held on November 8th and 9th, 1969. All events will be at the same place, instead of moving around as in previous years. There will be a \$1.00 registration fee charged for Saturday evening, and again for Sunday, and a fee of \$1.50 for the Institute on Saturday afternoon. The Institute proceeds are turned over to the Federation. If it is found later on in planning that costs can be cut, the registration fee may be reduced to \$1.00 for both days. One suggestion under consideration is that all children under 12 years of age be admitted for free - thus reducing costs to families. This will be a Federation-sponsored event.

Dwight Michener then gave his address and telephone number, for the information of anyone wanting to help or offer suggestions:

Dwight Michener, P. O. Box 8056, Reno, Nevada 89507 Area Code 702-747-4324.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dolly Schiwal - Oakland - There will be a Greater East Bay Council Warm-up Party on Saturday Evening, May 24th, at the Eagles Hall in Oakland. Come and "warm up" for San Diego!

Fred Sweger - Marin - The Marin Council will host its annual Festival in July, on the 12th and 13th. Saturday's party will be an all-request program. On Saturday afternoon, there will be a Workshop, with refresher courses in Balkan dancing led by Dean Linscott, and square dancing, lead by Bill D'Alvy. Sunday afternoon and evening will be a Federation Festival, with exhibitions and a Kolo Hour.



Announcements (Continued)

Dee Rossi - Santa Rosa - The annual Regional Festival at Santa Rosa will be held on Sunday, May 18, 1969, following the Federation Annual Meeting. It will be held at the Veteran's Memorial Building.

Elmer Riba - Pine Grove - Treasurer Elmer Riba announced that he and his wife, Milli, will host a dance at Pine Acres on Saturday evening, June 7, 1969. Everyone is invited to journey north for an enjoyable evening.

Sergeant-at-Arms Report - Sergeant-at-Arms for the day, Jules DiCicco, presented the following report:

Elected officers - 8, Appointed officers - 15; Regional Council Presidents - 6; Past Federation Presidents, 3; Member Club Delegates, 30; Associated members, 52; Guests, 8.

Upon a motion by Bill D'Alvy, and a second by Gordon Deeg, the meeting was adjourned at 1:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

mc 5-6-69

Suzy Martine, Recording Secretary

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