

FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.
ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES
AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL
FRESNO, CA.
OCTOBER 17, 1999

President Craig Blackstone gaveled the meeting to order at 12:00 noon.

Michael Norris, President of the Fresno Folk Dance Council, welcomed everyone to the Autumn Harvest Festival.

Sergeant at Arms Joel Bruxvoort announced a quorum was in attendance.

Jim Oxford moved the April 25, 1999 Blossom Festival minutes be approved.
Nadine Mitchell seconded. Motion carried.

President Craig was happy to report on the informative North/South Meeting that was held in the morning where many interesting ideas were shared and explored.

Craig pointed out some Board positions need yet to be filled. Past President Barbara Bruxvoort encouraged people to serve for the positive rewards that such service offers.

SECRETARY: Laila Messer apologized for having overlooked sending out the September Assembly minutes.

TREASURER: Page Masson gave the Treasurer's report covering the period from September 1 to October 14. (Attached.) She encouraged attendance at the December 5 Treasurer's Ball in Sonoma. The Assembly Meeting is to begin at 11:15; dancing starts at 1:30. There will be a Costume Sale, the usual raffle, and an extra raffle of a cash prize only for those attending.

MEMBERSHIP: Chairperson Greg Mitchell moved the Sacramento Cape Breton Step Dancers be approved for membership. Mel Mann seconded. Motion passed.
Greg presented to Craig a list of persons receiving complimentary copies.

PUBLICATIONS CHAIRPERSON: Nadine Mitchell submitted ninety one dollars, (\$91.00) to the Treasurer for publications sold. She said she is still working on the directory. Marilyn Pixler suggested that information about the Southern California magazine, FOLK DANCE SCENE, be included in the directory.

HISTORIAN: No report

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Chairperson Michael Norris reported that the committee will be working on publicity for the Statewide 2000 and will include web sites.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

DANCE RESEARCH: Bruce Wyckoff reported for Chairperson Ruth Ruling that the Fresno Institute syllabus was completed and that there will be a meeting at the Uggla home on November 20.

INSURANCE: Co-chairperson Elsa Bacher reported that clubs will receive renewal forms before the end of the month which are to be returned by November 15. The rate is being raised from \$3.20 to \$3.25 per individual. There are slightly over 3000 dancers currently insured through the Federation.

TEACHERS COMMITTEE: Chairperson Bruce Wyckoff reported the Teachers Dance List is ready and will be published in the November issue of LET'S DANCE.

COSTUME RESEARCH: Chairperson Edith Cuthbert has scheduled a meeting for early November.

STATEWIDE: Co-chairperson Fran Ajoian said plans are well organized and that everything is going along fine. Because there are no kitchen facilities in the Fresno location the Ice Cream Social and other food related activities will be done differently from other Statewide festivals. The committee will try to have the budget ready by November. Institute Chairperson Kathy Hindman said she has one firm confirmation on a performing group.

REPORTS OF ROTATING COMMITTEES:

NORTH/SOUTH: Chairperson Irene Oxford reported that the earlier North/South meeting was very interesting and informative, exploring what could be done to make Statewide festivals as good as possible. Statewide 2001 is scheduled to be held in Las Vegas on May 18, 19, 20 and 21. Craig added that there were many helpful suggestions brought up at the North South meeting and felt that Fresno should be a good place to maximize attendance for Statewide since it is so centrally located.

INSTITUTE: Chairperson Kathy Hindman reported on the Fresno Institute. Joyce Uggla taught 3 English dances; Jean Faulkner taught 3 Balkan dances. Attending were 19 paid participants at \$5.00 per. There were no hall expenses. The two teachers were each paid \$60.00. Forty syllabi were printed at a total cost of \$10.00. Expenses totaled \$130.00 (one hundred thirty dollars); Income was \$90.00 leaving a deficit of \$40.00. Kathy thanked Frank Bacher for donating his time to run the music.

A Scandinavian theme is planned for the January 15, 2000 Winter Festival to be held in San Carlos. Scheduled teachers for that Institute are Al and Teddy Wolterbeck for Finnish dances and Susan Roca-Butler for Turkish dances. The Finnish dances are *Sysmalainen*, *Hylkeen hyppely*, (Seal's jump dance), and, if time allows, *Ankeliini*. The Turkish dances are *Mendil*, *Levan Oy*, and *Yueni Hamah*.

FINANCE: Absent

BYLAWS: Absent

BEGINNERS: Absent

OLD BUSINESS: The dates of the upcoming festivals were reviewed. Edith Cuthbert said the flyers for the Kolo festival are in the mail.

Mel Mann reported on plans for the Festival of the Oaks with the date to be either February 20 or 27. He is working on getting teachers for a morning Institute. The basic format will be the same as last year.

Irene Oxford reminded everyone of the Camellia Festival to be held in March. The third weekend is but a tentative date at this time. The \$10,000 fee for the Memorial Auditorium is a very big financial undertaking.

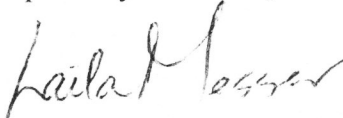
Any ad moneys for LET'S DANCE magazine are to be sent to Barbara Bruxvoort.

President Craig thanked Fran Ajoian and her committee for their good work on the Autumn Harvest Festival and Statewide Festival.

Jim Oxford moved and Greg Mitchell seconded to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Laila Messer".

Laila Messer, Recording Secretary

From - Sept 1st 1999 - to Oct 14'99

Beginning Balance

Total income

Total expenses

Income vs Expenses

Ending Balance

\$ 440. -
\$ 1,210.57
- \$ 770.57

\$ 24,624.47

\$ 23,853.90

RECAP OF ACCOUNTS

Checking

Savings

Cert of Deposit

C. D. Cert of Deposit

\$ 3,260.52

\$ 2,808.27

\$ 7,021.11

10,764.00

\$ 23,853.90

Insurance Bal.

4,589.14

Federation Report for 1999—Membership Chairperson

The membership for the Folk Dance Federation are as follows:

Associate members ----- 240

Complimentary copies ----- --33

Clubs ----- --78

Magazine Subscriptions-----208

Grand Total ----- -481

1 club has applied for membership in the Federation
Sacramento cape Brenton Step Dancers
C/o Gail Erwin
1078 Beaver Park Way
Galt Ca. 95632-8102
Phone 209-745-9063

Lets Dance Subscriptions with subscription companies
Dawson I ebsco 24 Faxon 10 Blackwell 5 Karger 1

11 Universities

27 Libraries

1 Journal

2 Japan Individuals

41 subscriptions total

Gregory Mitchell
Membership Chairperson

