

FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.
ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES
CAMELLIA FESTIVAL
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SACRAMENTO
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 12, 2000

President Craig Blackstone called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m.
On behalf of Festival Chairperson Teddy Wolterbeek who was attending another meeting, Membership Chairperson Greg Mitchell of Sacramento welcomed the Assembly to the Camellia Festival.

Sergeant at Arms Joel Bruxvoort announced the presence of a quorum.

SECRETARY: Secretary Laila Messer reported that the Micro Office Systems, the company that had repaired the Ricoh copy machine, would buy the old Ricoh for parts only if a new machine was to be purchased through them. She will investigate further.

TREASURER: Treasurer Page Masson read the third quarter report. (Report attached.) The larger income sum reflects the monies, (in the amount of \$4383.41), from the Greater East Bay Folk Dance Council that were contributed to the Federation. Page will put it into the savings account. Insurance Co-chairperson Frank Bacher moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Barbara Bruxvoort seconded. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP: Chairperson Greg Mitchell reported there are 453 members, that there are 158 Associate members, that 67 clubs are insured through the Federation, that there are 194 who get the LET'S DANCE magazine only and that 34 complimentary copies of it are sent out.

PUBLICATIONS: Chairperson Nadine Mitchell reported she had mailed out some Directories and one issue of the "History of the Folk Dance Federation". She had received a call from a person in Parker, Colorado who was looking for the music and instructions to the dance "Never on Sunday" for which she could not find any information. The caller ordered a Dance Volume and sent a check to cover that and phone call. He had been a subscriber to LET'S DANCE in the past and was now happy to re-subscribe. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Riba, who were attending the meeting, said they could help with providing information on "Never on Sunday".

Nadine turned in, to the Treasurer, bills for postage and monies for the above sales. Nadine said she would have Directories available for sale at today's festival and that she was still working on revision of the Membership/Publications List which would be ready soon. As Editor of LET'S DANCE, Nadine asked for photographs of folk dances and dancers for use in the magazine.

HISTORIAN: No report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Chairperson Michael Norris reported that flyers for Statewide are being readied and will be distributed to appropriate places.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

DANCE RESEARCH: Chairperson Ruth Ruling reported the Committee is keeping up with the dance write-ups for LET'S DANCE magazine and that Institute Chairperson Kathy Hindman and the Dance Research Committee have offered their help.

INSURANCE: Co-Chairperson Elsa Bacher reported 62 (sixty two) clubs are insured through the Federation Two have not yet received their certificates because of their late sign-up.

TEACHERS: Absent.

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COSTUME: Chairperson Edith Cuthbert reported a meeting has been scheduled for March 26 at the home of Mary Harte and that she has been discussing with Joel Bruxvoort about color for the planned-for calendar.

ROTATING COMMITTEES:

NOMINATING: Parliamentarian Barbara Bruxvoort presented the following slate as prepared by Nominating Committee Chairperson Frank Bacher and his committee:

President: Craig Blackstone
Vice President: Greg Mitchell
Recording Secretary: Laila Messer
Treasurer: Page Masson
Director of Membership: Sidney Messer
Director of Publications: Joel Bruxvoort
Director of Public Relations: Michael Norris
Historian: Mel Mann

Chairperson Frank moved that the slate be accepted as presented. Edith Cuthbert voiced a second. Motion carried.

Michael Norris moved that the Secretary cast a white ballot for the slate of officers presented. It was seconded and the motion carried. Secretary Laila Messer did cast a white ballot for the slate of officers presented. Slate voted in.

President Craig thanked the Nominating Committee for their work.

Sacramento Council President Teddy Wolterbeek was able to attend the meeting at this time, apologized for not being able to be there sooner, and welcomed everyone to the Camellia Festival.

INSTITUTE: Public Relations Chairperson Michael Norris of Fresno reported for Institute Chairperson Kathy Hindman that Kevin Hall would be doing the Saturday morning Institute of Irish dances and that Fusae Senzaki is teaching the afternoon Institute of Macedonian dances. The Sunday Institutes will be done by Boar Gajicki doing Serbian dances and Dean Linscott and A???? Enberg teaching Scandinavian dances.

FINANCE: Absent. Treasurer Page Masson reported she had received the budget prepared by Finance Chairperson Sharen Skorup and explained some of the items in the submitted budget.

The Finance Report was interrupted to hear Bruce Mitchell, Director of Stockton Folk Dance Camp, who came to ask for Federation support for Pourparler, a convocation of recreational dance leaders and instructors and teachers working with children in grades K-12. The event has been held twice in Chicago and once in Park City, Utah. Its fourth presentation is scheduled to take place for the first time on the West Coast in Sacramento on September 14, 15, 16 and 17, 2000.

Bruce explained that Pourparler has received sponsorship through the National Folk Organization and that the Sacramento Folk Dance and Arts Council has agreed to help sponsor the event by donating \$250.00. It was pointed out this topic had been discussed at an Executive Board Meeting and that the Executive Board agrees it a good idea to provide Federation sponsorship of the Pourparler. Frank Bacher moved that the Federation co-sponsor the Pourparler, provide \$250.00 (two hundred and fifty dollars), and free advertising in LET'S DANCE. Mel Mann seconded. Motion carried.

After discussion on the topic of scholarships, Sergeant at Arms Joel Bruxvoort moved that the Federation provide \$300.00 to create a scholarship fund to be administered by the Pourparler 2000 to encourage attendance by all interested folk dancers. Michael Norris seconded. Motion carried.

Bruce Mitchell said he will have a form made out by the next meeting.

The meeting returned to the Finance Committee report. Page said that normally the Finance Chairperson does the presentation. It was decided that though the budget is normally presented and accepted at the March meeting, it could be done at the San Francisco Blossom Festival meeting on April 30 and no action was taken on the Budget at this time. .

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NORTH/SOUTH: President Craig spoke for North/South Chairperson Irene Oxford who was unable to attend saying that he understood there was nothing new to report at this time and reminded everyone that the next North/South meeting would be held at Fresno Statewide Festival in May and that members are always welcome at those interesting meetings.

At this point the various distractions and noises in the entrance hall to the Student Union Building where the meeting was taking place caused many people to comment on the annoyance of it all. Associate Member Millie Riba suggested that a room be made available for all Assembly meetings. Past President Barbara Bruxvoort reminded the group that the Assembly had approved expenditure of Federation monies, if necessary, to have a quiet meeting room for Federation Assembly meetings. .

BYLAWS: Chairperson Carlos Ruling said that the Bylaws Committee has done its job and was waiting for the Bylaws to be sent out to the clubs.

STATEWIDE: Absent. Public Relations Chairperson Michael Norris reported for Statewide Chairperson Fran Ajoian saying he had covered the flyer and Institute information earlier and that everything about Statewide was proceeding normally. He said there would be plenty of space for RV parking.

UPCOMING FESTIVALS AND EVENTS:

Elsa Bacher encouraged attendance at the Cherry Blossom Festival on April 2 from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Joel Bruxvoort encouraged attendance at the Blossom Festival on April 30 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the City College of San Francisco. The festival is free because it takes places during the National Dance Week but parking will cost \$1.00

Statewide at Fresno in May was mentioned again.

Elsa Bacher reminded people of the Rose Festival in Santa Rosa on May 21.

Barbara Bruxvoort gave an update on Stockton Folk Dance Camp 2000.

Bylaws Chairperson Carlos Ruling moved the meeting be adjourned. Frank Bacher seconded.
Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Laila, Messer, Recording Secretary.

GENERAL FUND BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 25,463.34
Expenses

<u>Income</u>			
Federation dues	\$ <u>1,435.50</u>	Let's Dance	\$ <u>3,106.16</u>
Let's Dance Subscriptions	\$ <u>694.00</u>	Social Events	\$ <u>721.54</u>
Advertising	\$ <u>1,102.50</u>	Educational Events	\$ <u>230.00</u>
Publications	\$ _____	Publications	\$ <u>23.00</u>
Social Events	\$ <u>1,404.00</u>	Taxes	\$ <u>47.00</u>
Educational Events	\$ <u>242.00</u>	Office	\$ <u>409.91</u>
Interest	\$ <u>558.94</u>	Telephone	\$ <u>77.72</u>
Misc.	\$ <u>4,395.13</u>	Misc.	\$ <u>182.28</u>
	\$ _____		
TOTAL	\$ <u>9,832.07</u>	TOTAL	\$ <u>4,797.61</u>

NET GENERAL FUND (+/-) \$ 5,034.46 ENDING BALANCE \$ 30,497.80

INSURANCE BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 4,899.04
EXPENSES

<u>INCOME</u>			
Premiums & Admin. fees-FAX	\$ <u>3,522.85</u>	Insur. Premiums	\$ <u>3,548.50</u>
		Admin. costs (dupl, tele, postg, FAX, refunds)	\$ <u>245.19</u>
TOTAL	\$ <u>3,522.85</u>	TOTAL	\$ <u>3,793.69</u>
NET INSURANCE +/- \$ <u>270.84</u>		ENDING BALANCE	\$ <u>4,628.20</u>

RECAP OF ACCOUNTS

Checking - General	<u>9,407.20</u>
Checking - Insurance	<u>4,628.20</u>
Savings	<u>2,822.57</u>
CD - Lets's Dance Trust	<u>7,021.11</u>
CD _ BUSINESS	<u>11,246.92</u>
TOTAL	<u>35,126.00</u>

Page Mason
Treasurer