

FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.
ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES
TREASURER'S BALL
SONOMA, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1, 2002

President Greg Mitchell called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.
Treasurer Page Masson welcomed all to the Ball.

ELECTED OFFICER REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: President Greg announced that Vice President Manuel Castenada had called to say that his resignation has to be effective immediately instead of January 2003. He has had bypass heart surgery and will not be able to participate in Federation activities for some time to come.

SECRETARY: No report.

TREASURER: Treasurer Page Masson reported for the period of September 1 to November 30. (Report enclosed.)

APPOINTED OFFICERS:

MEMBERSHIP: Chairperson Sidney Messer reported one Associate member dropped and one joined; one subscriber dropped and one joined. Totals remain 219 Associate members, 151 subscribers, 7 complimentary members and 62 member clubs.

President Greg said that since the Membership Chairperson is the one subscribers notify of missing copies it simplifies the process to have the extra copies sent to him.

PUBLICATIONS: Absent.

HISTORIAN: Historian Mel Mann will be using another camera and brought the Federation camera to Elsa Bacher for Federation use.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Absent. President Greg reported that Chairperson Michael Norris's health is improving but he still tires easily.

EDITOR, LET'S DANCE: Editor Nadine Mitchell said the back page of "Let's Dance" has been changed so it can be better scanned at the post office.

Nadine requested all Calendar of Events material be sent to her.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

COSTUME RESEARCH: Chairperson Edith Cuthbert has received from Committee member Mel Hart an article to be published in "Let's Dance".

DANCE RESEARCH: Absent. Edith reported the Committee is still working on the Pronunciation Guide and that Chairperson Joyce Ugglia is editing ones already done.

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Sergeant at Arms Jim Oxford reported a quorum present. Mel Mann moved, Nadine Mitchell seconded, the minutes of the October 20 Assembly meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed.

FINANCE: Absent

INSURANCE: Co-chairperson Elsa Bacher reported most clubs have responded. The committee is hoping to get the certificates by January 2003. She will respond to an inquiry about membership from the Davis International Folk Dancers.

STATEWIDE: Absent. President Greg said he knows that Chairpersons Floyd Davis and Barbara Summers are already working on Statewide 2004 and said that he is ready to help.

TEACHERS: Absent.

ROTATING COMMITTEES:

BYLAWS: In abeyance.

INSTITUTE: Al Lisin, Peninsula Council President, reported the Heritage Festival and Institute will be held January 10 and 11, 2003 in San Carlos. SuzanneRoca Butler will teach one Bulgarian dance and two Turkish dances; Al and Teddy Wolterbeek will teach two Scandinavian dances.

NORTH/SOUTH: Chairperson Irene Oxford reported on the interesting meeting at the Fresno Harvest Festival where Karen Wilson-Bell, Vice President of Federation South, reported on plans for the May 2003 Pasadena Statewide Festival, "A Village Faire".

The next North/South meeting will be held in Pasadena Sunday, May 25 at 8:30 a.m.

SCHOLARSHIP: Absent. Oscar Faoro reported the Scholarship Committee feels that with the donation at the Blossom Festival there is enough money to provide two scholarships. Elsa Bacher moved that the Federation offer two scholarships for the year 2003. It was seconded by Mel Mann. Motion passed.

Sidney Messer suggested that funds in the treasury be labeled as to use.

OLD BUSINESS: Edith reported that the Kolo Festival was a success.

NEW BUSINESS: Al Lisin was sad to report Denise Heenan has resigned from teaching.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dave Thomas of Napa said the Sweetheart Festival will be held February 9, 2003 and will again include a trio workshop.

Elsa pointed out that the position of Vice President needs to be filled. It is hoped to have a candidate elected at the Festival of the Oaks Festival on February 23.

Mel Mann reported Festival of the Oaks will be held at Laney College in Oakland in

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co-sponsorship with its Dance Department and that all faculty, students and staff will be invited to attend. Carol Hirsh will be doing a morning Institute.

Irene Oxford reported the Sacramento Council has voted to pay the Camellia Festival luncheon costs that exceed \$2.50.

A date for the April Blossom Festival has yet to be determined.

Art Babad, suggested that folk dancers volunteer to teach folk dancing in elementary schools. He has been volunteering in Santa Rosa schools with great success. He added that when teaching folk dancing to children you must not insist that they do things perfectly, that it must be fun for them. Mel Mann said he will propose that folk dance teacher training include interested elementary school teachers. Mel also spoke of Sanna Longden, a well known dance educator.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2003:

January 10 & 11	Heritage Festival	San Carlos
February 9	Sweetheart Festival	Napa
February 23	Festival of the Oaks	Oakland
March 8 & 9	Camellia Festival	Sacramento
April 6	Cherry Blossom Festival	Sonoma
April ??	Blossom Festival	San Francisco
June 8	Rose Festival	Santa Rosa
August 17	Little Festival of the Redwoods	Guerneville
September 6	Fiesta de Sonoma	Sonoma

Next Assembly Meeting will be held February 23, 2003 at the Festival of the Oaks at Laney College in Oakland.

Frank Bacher moved and Nadine Mitchell seconded to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laila Messer, Recording Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT: 2ND QUARTER - From Sept '02 To Nov 30, 2002

GENERAL FUND BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 35,836.83

Income

Expenses

Federation dues \$ 1,017.50
 Let's Dance Subscriptions \$ 1,225.00
 Advertising \$ _____
 Publications \$ 293.00
 Social Events \$ _____
 Educational Events \$ 220.00
 Interest \$ 122.72
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Let's Dance \$ 1,730.33
 Social Events \$ 87.50
 Educational Events \$ 220.00 ...
 Taxes \$ 30.00 ...
 Office \$ 418.12 ...
 Telephone \$ 136.25
 Misc. \$ 1,206.07

TOTAL \$ 2,878.23

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NET GENERAL FUND (+/-) \$ 950.04

ENDING BALANCE \$ 34,886.79

INSURANCE BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 5,930.51

INCOME

EXPENSES

Premiums & Admin. fees-FAX \$ 4,633.45
 TOTAL \$ 4,633.45

Insur. Premiums \$ 5,903.80
 Admin. costs (dupl, tele, postg, FAX, refunds) \$ 349.82

TOTAL \$ 6,253.62

NET INSURANCE (+/-) \$ 1,620.17

ENDING BALANCE \$ 4,310.34

RECAP OF ACCOUNTS

Checking - General 3,065.68
 Checking - Insurance 4,310.34
 Savings 3,189.08
 CD - Lets's Dance Trust 7,021.11
 CD - BUSINESS 12,610.92
 Treasury Bills 9,000.00

