

MINUTES
FOLK DANCE FEDERATION
HERITAGE FESTIVAL, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA
JANUARY 13, 2007

President Vick Vickland called the meeting to order at 11:05 A.M.

Present: Vick Vickland, President; Ann Brown, Vice President; Louise Lidicker, Treasurer; Jan Stephens, Secretary; Bill Lidicker, Karen Wilson-Bell, Dick Rawson, Sidney and Laila Messer, Gary Anderson, Arden Pierce, Louie Tucker, Mel Mann, Bill Fleenor, Rosa Sauge, Elsa Bacher.

All were welcomed by Arden Pierce, Peninsula Council.

The Minutes from October 22, 2006 were accepted with the following corrections: Heritage Festival admission will be \$7.00 instead of \$8.00, and the Minutes were submitted by Vick Vickland.

ELECTED OFFICERS REPORT:

President, Vick Vickland, expressed concern about the lack of attendance to Federation meetings. He suggested free lunch be offered to those who attend Federation meetings.

MSC (Gary Anderson) that

“At future meetings, held around a meal time, a meal will be paid for by the Federation for whoever attends.”

Vice President, Ann Brown, reported that a nominating committee was formed.

The committee members are Gary Anderson, Louie Tucker, and Barry Moore. They will present a slate of officers at the February 24, 2007 Federation meeting.

Treasurer, Louise Lidicker, submitted her report for June 1, 2006 - January 12, 2007. The report was accepted. (See attachment) She reported ample funds in the Federation account for scholarships and assistance for events.

Editor of “Let’s Dance Magazine”, Gary Anderson, reported that the distribution of past issues generated 150 new members.

The distribution of “Let’s Dance Magazine” electronically through EBSCO was discussed. It was resolved that Dick Rawson, Gary Anderson, Vick Vickland and Louie Tucker would read the EBSCO contract, license agreement, after the meeting.

Membership Committee Chair, Sidney Messer, submitted his report. (See attachment)

MSC (Sidney Messer) that Tuesday Folk Dancers be accepted as a member club.

**FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
HERITAGE FESTIVAL SAN
CARLOS, CA JANUARY 13,2007**

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT
SIDNEY MESSER, CHAIR**

MEMBERSHIP:

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS: 298
GROUPS/CLUBS: 93
SUBSCRIBERS: 1
COMPLIMENTARY: _5
TOTAL: 397**

NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS: (Since September 10,2006)

- 1. Alexandra Schiller, 377 North Dean Street, Coquille, OR 97423**
- 2. Dolores Littier, 24000 2nd Street, Hayward, CA 94541**
- 3. Jan Stephens, 152 'O' Street, Space 49, Lincoln, CA 95638**
- 4. Mindy Pines, 869 San Anselmo Avenue, San Anselmo, CA 94960**

NEW GROUPS/CLUBS: APPROVAL REQUIRED

- 1. Tuesday Folk Dancers, c/o Robert Null, 3108 Windsor Drive,
Sacramento, CA 95864**

cc: President Vick Vickland, Secretary Jan Stephens, Editor Gary Anderson

Parliamentarian, Bill Lidicker, announced the meeting as an historic event as the first Federation meeting under the new by-laws. New attention is now needed to move to adopt new operating procedures for chairs in the form of a booklet titled "Standard Operations for Committees." The current list of Executive Board Members was sent to officers via e-mail. Extra copies of the list were available for distribution at the meeting.

Vick expressed appreciation on behalf of all for the hard work accomplished by the By-Laws Committee: Bill Lidicker, Laila Messer, and Craig Blackstone.

Chairpersons for Archives and Costumes are needed.

The need for a costume committee was discussed. It was suggested an interest survey be distributed. It was also suggested a publication be made of the archived material. A decline in costume wearing at events was noted. No resolution was made. The subject will be open for further discussion next meeting.

Finance Committee Chair, Bill Fleenor, reported follow-up on the 501 C3. Articles of incorporation are needed. It was decided approval would be attained at the April Assembly meeting.

Vick expressed appreciation on behalf of all for the hard work Bill Fleenor was doing for the Federation as the Finance Committee Chair.

MSC (Arden Pierce) that
"The Federation pays the full cost, a total of \$240.00, for the Heritage Festival's use of the hall, January 13, 2007."

MSC (Bill Lidicker) that
"The Board advises the Finance committee to consider including an item to support institutes in the next year."

Institute Committee Chair, Bill Lidicker, reported the joining of a new committee member, Toba Goddard.

The February 24, 2007 Festival of the Oaks in Berkeley will have Suzanne Roca-Butler as the institute instructor, and the March 9-11, 2007 Camellia Festival will have Lee and Hilde Otterholt as the institute instructors.

Insurance Chair, Elsa Bacher, submitted her report. (See attachment)

A SEED MOTION was made by Elsa Bacher:

"The Federation pays chairpersons a stipend for doing the insurance work, \$5.00 per club."

The motion will be made at the next meeting, February 24, 2007.

Promotion Committee Chair, Bill Lidicker, reported that the grant to Kolo Festival was returned. It was not needed due to sufficient support.

Scholarship Committee Chair, Mel Mann announced that costumes will be sold at the Festival of the Oaks, 3/24/07. Flyers were being made to advertise the event.

Karen Wilson-Bell announced the Statewide Strawberry Festival in Oxnard 5/25-5/28, '07 at the Channel Islands Inn. The information will be published in "Let's Dance" Magazine soon.

A request was made by Mel Mann for a Federation Directory.

A location and time for the April 2007 meeting is needed.

All other business will be held over for the February meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:46 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Jan Stephens

Jan. 13, 2007 Insurance Chairperson Report

Notification for 2007 insurance requirements was mailed to all clubs at end of Sept. with the request that application information and payments be returned by Nov. 3, 2006. 35 clubs met this deadline.

At present 56 clubs are insured through us. This represents 1592 dancers. The insurance premium for 2007 is \$4.85 per dancer; each club pays a \$5.00 administrative fee to defray costs of mailing, telephoning, faxing, and duplicating.

I have received \$8249.10

And paid out \$7675.20 to United Square Dancers of America

Difference of \$573.90

I am most grateful to Margaret Harrison (Kopachka, San Raphael) for making mailing labels for all the clubs for the 2nd year. Peeling and sticking certainly saves me time and effort.

I am also grateful to Sidney (Membership) for annual list of clubs and to Louise (Treasurer) for cheerful and speedy sending of many checks.

Search for another Insurance Chairperson.

No replies to Let's Dance notice.

I suggest we pay the Ins. Chrp. to sweeten the job. Source of money could be an additional charge to clubs, f.x. \$5 each or \$280.00 to pay the Chrp.

I have not asked anyone directly yet; I have a few well qualified people in mind.