

FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.  
ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES  
FESTIVAL OF THE OAKS  
LIVE OAK PARK  
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA  
FEBRUARY 27, 2000

President Craig Blackstone called the meeting to order at 12:22 p.m.

Historian Mel Mann welcomed everyone to the Festival of the Oaks and praised his committee for all their work mentioning specifically the little tables with fresh flowers, the live music for the Institute and the hot lunch prepared for members.

There were no changes to be made to the minutes of the December 5 meeting but approval was put off until there would be a quorum.

PRESIDENT: President Craig read a letter from Max Horn regarding the closing out of the Greater East Bay Folk Dance Council, (GEBFDC). The letter explained that every attempt to reorganize the Council had been unsuccessful and the decision was made to turn the funds of the GEBFDC to the Folk Dance Federation of California, Inc. in the amount of \$4383.41. Elsa Bacher, Insurance Committee Co-chairperson, suggested that a letter of appreciation be written to be published in LET'S DANCE. Max Horn reminisced about the time when the East Bay Council was "flat broke" and he made sure that all events either broke even or made money.

Max also spoke again of the material he has stored on his property which consists of more than 53,000 records, 100 costumes and many dance write-ups. He has begun and continues to work on organizing and cataloguing the items and said he could use and would appreciate help.

Sergeant at Arms Joel Bruxvoort announced the meeting now had a quorum. Past President Barbara Bruxvoort moved and Elsa Bacher seconded that the December 5 minutes be approved. Motion passed.

RECORDING SECRETARY: Secretary Laila Messer reported she had compiled a list of the secretarial expenses of the past year in order to help Treasurer Page Masson and Finance Chairperson Sharen Skorup develop a budget for Year 2000. Laila also asked for approval to get rid of the old Ricoh copy machine which no longer works. Edith Cuthbert moved and Elsa Bacher seconded that the secretary try to get rid of the Ricoh at no cost to the Federation. Motion passed. Laila will see about getting it sold for parts and will report at the Assembly meeting at the Camellia Festival.

TREASURER: Treasurer Page Masson gave the Financial report for the third quarter from December 1 to February 29, 2000. (Report enclosed.) Elsa Bacher moved the Treasurer's report be accepted as given. Frank Bacher voiced a second. Motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP: Chairman Greg Mitchell reported that there are 455 members, that 75 (seventy five) clubs have renewed membership, that 67 (sixty seven) are insured through the Federation, that there are 158 Associate members, that there are 196 who get the LET'S DANCE magazine only, and that 34 (thirty four) complimentary copies of it are sent.

He also reported that the Neva Russian Dance Ensemble, 2450 Sutter Street, San Francisco, CA 94115 has applied for membership. Greg moved that the club be accepted. Edith Cuthbert seconded. Motion passed.

PUBLICATIONS: Chairperson Nadine Mitchell reported that the new directories are finished and available. Cost is \$1.00 per copy and \$2.00 if mailed. One order of publications, amounting to \$132.50 was mailed out.

Nadine also suggested that prices needed to be adjusted to reflect the taxes on publications.

After discussion, Edith Cuthbert moved to increase the ten dollar price of publications offered by the Federation by \$2.00 to reflect shipping and handling costs. Elsa Bacher seconded. Motion passed.

Greg Mitchell pointed out that the numbers being discussed in this case are for one locale and that taxes vary according to locale and should be considered when making price adjustments.

Nadine reported the layout artist for the LET'S DANCE magazine has asked for photos and/or pictures for the cover and asked for any that would be appropriate. Max Horn said he knows of a person who has pictures and he will get that information to Nadine. Also discussed was the need to give credit to the photographer or artist.

Nadine also reported on getting information about the Tamburitza requested by a caller in Sweden who had called the Federation Information number. It was needed in a rush so Nadine E mailed it to him.

President Craig called for a recess at 1:08 p.m. because the hot lunch was ready to be served. Meeting resumed at 1:20 p.m.

HISTORIAN: No report.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEES:**

DANCE RESEARCH: Edith Cuthbert reported no meeting date has been set.

INSURANCE: Co-chairperson Elsa Bacher had no insurance report except to say she has had some requests for insurance for single events. She has referred such calls to those who hold, and know of agents for , single events such as the Kolo Festival and the Sonoma Veteran's Memorial Building.

She also said she has had positive and informative feed back on the article she submitted for the March issue of LET'S DANCE, titled "Insurance Issues: Square Dancers Code of Conduct" .

TEACHERS: Absent

COSTUME RESEARCH: Chairperson Edith Cuthbert reported she had been too ill with the flu to accomplish anything.

STATEWIDE: Absent

#### **ROTATING COMMITTEES:**

NORTH/SOUTH: Chairperson Irene Oxford reminded everyone that the next meeting will be held in May at the Statewide Festival in Fresno

INSTITUTE: Absent: Treasurer Page Masson reported that Chairperson Kathy Hindman had telephoned to report there were 35 (thirty five) participants at the January Institute held in San Carlos. Proceeds were \$212.00. Expenses totaled \$230. That included \$60.00 each for the 3 (three) teachers, and \$50.00 for the music. Loss was \$18.00.

FINANCE: Chairperson Sharen Skorup said she is working with Treasurer Page Masson on the budget and that she hopes to have it ready for the March Camellia Festival.

BYLAWS: Absent

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Chairperson Frank Bacher said there will be a meeting March 12, 2000 at 10:30 a.m. in Sacramento at the Camellia Festival. He said all Council Representatives have said they will be present. He has yet to find a nominee for the position of Publications Chairperson.

OLD BUSINESS: Reports from Upcoming Festivals:

1. Irene Oxford reminded everyone that the Camellia Festival takes place on March 11 and 12 at the Sacramento State College. She cautioned all to be sure to park in the correct parking lots to avoid

ticketing. Those lots are clearly indicated on the maps on the flyers and in LET'S DANCE..

2. Joel Bruxvoort invited all to the Blossom Festival, April 30 in San Francisco in the North Gym Dance Studio at the City College of San Francisco. The festival will be part of National Dance Week and is free. There is, however, a \$1.00 fee for parking. More information can be found on the WEB.

3. Barbara Bruxvoort urged people to plan to attend the Stockton Folk Dance Camp during the week of July 23 to July 29 or July 30 to August 5 or, as many do, attend both weeks.

4. Elsa Bacher encouraged attendance at the Cherry Blossom Festival on April 2 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Sonoma.

NEW BUSINESS: President Craig encouraged people to get together to help Max Horn sort and organize the materials stored on his property.

Frank Bacher moved the meeting be adjourned. Barbara Bruxvoort seconded .

Meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Laila Messer, Recording Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT: 3rd QUARTER - From Dec. 1-1999 To Feb. 29, 2000

GENERAL FUND BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 25,463.34

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenses</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	\$ <u>132.50</u>	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>
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TOTAL	\$ <u>9,964.57</u>	TOTAL	\$ <u>4,797.61</u>

NET GENERAL FUND (+/-) \$ 5,166.96 ENDING BALANCE \$ 30,630.30

<u>INSURANCE</u>		<u>BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 4,899.04</u>	
<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENSES</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>9,539.70</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>35,258.50</u>

Page Mason  
Treasurer

# Festival of the Oaks

Location: Berkeley

## OFFICE

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Dir. Membership
6. Dir. Publications
7. Dir. Public Relations
8. Historian

Craig Blackstone  
Laila Mosser  
Peggy Mosser  
Guy Mitchell  
Nadine Mitchell  
Mel Sumner

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**CLUB**

1. <u>Koto Festival</u>	Sharon S Korup
2. <u>First &amp; Last Dancers</u>	James Oford
3. <u><del>Chorus</del> <del>Chorus</del></u>	
4. <u>Latest Spira</u>	Dadine Mitchell
5. <u>Santa Rosa</u>	Elsa Bacher
6. <u>PELACUIMA I.E.P.</u>	Frank Bacher
7. <u>Norato</u>	Page Mason
8. <u>Chang</u>	Edi Bruxvoort
9. <u>Koto Festival</u>	Edith L. Cuthbert
10. <u>IBFD</u>	MEL MANN
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1.	IRENE OXFORD	
2.	Louise Lichik	
3.	Bill Lichik	Kopacka
4.	Max Heger	
5.	CHANGS	Barbara Brunsont
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