

**MIAMI VALLEY DANCE COUNCIL
MICHAEL SOLOMON PAVILION
Council Representative's Meeting
September 11, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Jean Aills, president, with the first order of business being the pledge to the flag.

President's Report-- Jean Aills presented the Honor Roll Dancer Certificates to the following persons; the 2006 Honor Roll Dancer Louise VanVliet, Don and Bonnie McDonough, Lamar and Jo Ann Swonger, Dan and Jackie Koehler, Charles Van Gordan and Sue Bulmer, Tom and Judy Smith, Tim and Patti Dunn.

Secretary's Report-- Carolyn Stovall asked that the July minutes as corrected be accepted. Tom Griffith so moved and Larry Carey seconded. Approved.

*Vice-president's Report—*Linda Hasting reported on the success of the council's summer workshops. There were eight sessions with always five squares or more on the floor. Council had a \$550.50 profit . Lesson Class Flyer was distributed.

*Treasurer's Report—*Joan Ganger read the following report for 7-10-2007 through 9-10-2007:

Beginning checking account balance \$795.43 with receipts of \$599.50 and expenses of \$330.59 leaving an ending balance of \$1, 064.34. Statement Savings Account \$3,238.79 and total CDs \$67,230.74. Itemized statement attached. Jim Gill moved to accept this report. Steve Hayden seconded. Approved.

*Nominating Chair's Report—*Patti Dunn presented the following slate of officers for 2008:

Linda Hasting—President

Steve Hayden—Vice-president

Joan Ganger—Treasurer

Steve Stoehr—Trustee

The office of secretary still needs to be filled. Please contact Patti if someone in your club is willing to take this office.

*Trustee's Report—*Darla Mattice reported that council will sponsor a Benefit Dance in 2008. This dance will no longer be chaired by a club. The trustees will assume the responsibility for the dance. An outside charity will be chosen to receive the benefit of this dance. That was the original intent of the dance in the past. The date will be September 21, 2008, a Sunday afternoon at the pavilion.

*Attendance and Newsletter—*Stuart Lewis reporting. One club was missing for this meeting—Clinton County Country Squares—giving a total of 23 clubs in attendance. In preparing for this edition of the newsletter, Stuart was hampered by serious computer problems. He did have a back-up from which he could put the newsletter together. The newsletter needs more advertisements. He would like to get a bulk rate mailing fee, but the number of newsletters to be mailed is not enough at this time.

Jean Aills said the club roster's are due at the January meeting. She requested that email addresses be included on the roster.

Caller's Asso—no report

Award's Chair—no report

State Corp Report—Sharry Hayden gave highlights from the 8-5-2007 meeting.

Mini-Legacy—planning for this at Cleveland Convention.

Convention procedures passed out.

Convention reports: 2007 Akron reported 811 dancers and 186 callers/cuers/leaders and spouses; cleared \$5,000; putting money toward a website to promote square dancing.

2008 Cleveland: will be held at Bertrum Center, Aurora, OH; 44 registered with 20 rooms reserved, 200 still available. When reserving a room, tell hotel you are with the Square Dance Convention; otherwise, you will be told hotel is full.

All dance rooms will have plastic floors except upper level Rounds.

Convention has the entire hotel, Friday morning till Sunday night, so dancing can continue as long as someone is calling/cuing.

Food may be brought in and banners may be hung.

Two restaurants at the hotel—casual and fine dining. There will be a buffet for breakfast and lunch.

Other restaurants and hotels in the area.

2009 Cincinnati theme will be “I Heard It Through the Grapevine”; same location as last convention.

State Friendship Badges were discussed—lack of interest in them.

Buckeye Round Dance Council: Sept. 30 Harvest Dance at Buckeye Lake. Friday workshop at the 2008 Cleveland Convention .

Showcase of Ideas at the National Convention—Ohio pins went over well. Would like to upgrade the table next year and request info/ideas from all councils. Would like the Buckeyes again.

New Business: 2012 State Convention bid—Akron; 2010 National in Louisville asking for volunteers, and the 2011 National will be held in Detroit, MI.

Maryanne Jackson is selling Conversation Ribbons.

Steve Hayden will work on State Corp. Website.

Next State Corp meeting will be Nov.4, 2007, in Gahanna, OH.

MS Support Committee—Ed Cordray.

Because the Super Bees folded, the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month were opened. There were two requests for those nights—Gem City Squares and Jack Pladdys. Jack Pladdys has since withdrawn his request, so Gem City will move to the Saturday openings.

Ed asked if there was any interest in a wireless router being installed at the pavilion. It can be made available for \$25 a month.

Pavilion financial report was read. Beginning balance 7-1-2007 was \$20,906.61. Receipts totalled \$2,965 and expenses \$692.12 leaving an ending balance 8-31-2007 of \$23,179.49.

Itemized report attached to minutes.

Historian—Sharry Hayden—no report

Hotline—Jean Aills said that it is imperative that updates be given to her so that she can keep the hotline current.

Old Business-- Jean Aills announced that the fold-out will be done twice this year—every six months. This is an effort to keep all information current in the fold-out. **SHE IS ASKING THAT CLUB INFORMATION FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS BE GOTTEN TO HER BY October 1. Please include Hi-Lo's and any Specials!**

Honor Roll Dancer form for 2007 was passed out at this meeting. This needs to be filled out and returned at November meeting. Jean read from the guidelines for the Honor Roll Dancer. She stressed the importance of typing when filling out the forms. Also, be complete in the information shared about your dancer. The write-up can have information not included on the form or could be an expansion of some of that information. Do your nominee justice by having some pride in filling out the form. This form is also on the web.

Website for MVDC—Jean introduced Randy Adams who is the new web master for the council. Randy talked about the importance of keeping him informed. His email is on the website. You can get to him by clicking on webmaster. He asked that minutes be sent to him.

Jim Mattice, Gem City—Jim wanted everyone to know that Gem City would maintain their Sunday dance sessions through Oct. The change to the first and third Saturdays would begin with the November 3rd dance. He asked that clubs communicate this change with all their members. Their dance times will be early rounds 7—7:30 PM and squares 7:30—10:00 PM. Kitty Hawks referred 3 cpls to Gem City lessons. 16 in all attended classes.

Club News—

Gem City—Steve Hayden announced this club's New Year's Eve dance. Meal included. See flyer.

Tuesday Plus—John Chevalier announced that this club's Pancake Breakfast is permanently cancelled.

Grand Squares have ten new dancers. They will also have a Garage Sale on Sept. 20 and 21. See flyer. Gay Chevalier will begin waltz classes on Tuesday, Sept. 18. Try to bring a partner. See flyer.

Yellow Rockers—Tom Griffith announced their Fall Festival of Leaves dance on Oct. 14. See flyer.

Cityfolk Contra Dance—Beth Mast announced that Cityfolk is having its first full-day contra workshop, Saturday 22, at the pavilion. See the flyer for cost and times.

Flying Ghillies—An Introduction to Scottish Dancing will be held Sept. 17 at the Magnan Banquet Center in Beavercreek on the corners of Grange Hall Rd. and Dayton-Xenia Rd. A beginner's class will be held at this same location beginning Oct. 1.

Hi Point See Saw's will have Ensley on the 17th of Nov.

Swinging 8's will have a costume dance on Oct. 27. There will be prizes.

Gem City—on Sept 23 Nick Hartley and Stuart Lewis will call and cue.

Fay Samborsky will have waltz lessons on Mondays and Tuesdays 6PM—7:30 PM at the pavilion ..No charge for two weeks.

Clover Leafs will have their Hobo Dance on Oct. 5.

Miami Valley Folk Dancers—Louise VanVliet announced a Memorial Dance on Sept. 29 for member Marnie Squire. Live music. Also an Open House with teaching of easy dances on Oct. 11.

Motion to adjourn—Jim Gill and Steve Hayden.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Stovall, secretary

NEXT MEETING—NOVEMBER 13, 2007