

MIAMI VALLEY DANCE COUNCIL

Michael Solomon Pavilion

January 8, 2008

Pledge of Allegiance - The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag at 7:00 PM.

President's report - Linda Hasting deferred her report until later in the meeting.

Secretary's report - Tom Griffis moved to accept the minutes of the November 11, 2007 meeting. Seconded by Larry Carey and approved.

Treasurer's report - Joan Ganger stated that the Year End report is on the table for distribution. Joan reported on the Council finances for the period of November 13, 2007 thru January 7, 2008. Beginning checking account balance was \$841.95. Receipts were \$635.75 and expenses were \$971.08. Checking account balance as of 1/7/08 was \$506.62. Statement Savings Account was \$13,446.15. Total CDs were \$57,482.84.

There were no questions on the Treasurers Report. It will be filed for audit.

The Insurance Form and Roster for each club is due between now and the March Council Meeting. The cost of insurance for each club is \$55.00.

Linda read the Audit Report submitted by Thomas J. Smith. Jim Feerer moved to accept the Audit Report. Seconded by Tom Griffis and approved.

Trustee's report - Renee Arnett reported that the trustees are in the process of getting club records updated. She asked that if a trustee has contacted you, please return the call. A list of which trustee is responsible for which clubs will be provided.

Vice President - Steve Hayden had no report.

Newsletter and Attendance - As of the beginning of the meeting 4 clubs had not signed in. After the meeting, these representatives signed in so that all clubs were represented.

Stuart apologized for the Newsletter being late. He had Post Office issues. Stuart asked for assistance from 3 volunteers - one to deal with the Post office, another to solicit advertisements for the newsletter, and a third to replace the current Newsletter Editor.

Caller's Association - Stuart Lewis reported that there will be an All Dancer's Dance on Sunday, January 20, 2008 - 2:30-5:00. This square dance will include rounds. Last year a dance was held to roast John Chevalier.

This year the Caller's Association is planning a dance to roast a different caller. It will probably be held in March or April.

Awards Chair - Jim Gill announced that there were 32 Raid awards in 2007 and 2 Friendship awards. They were presented to members of the following clubs: Grand Squares - 11 Raid awards and 2 Friendship awards; KittyHawks - 8 Raid awards; Gem City - 7 Raid awards; Double H - 2 Raid awards; Clinton County - 2 Raid awards; Concord Cloverleaves - 1 Raid award; Cardinal Squares - 1 Raid award.

State Corp - Sharry Harden reported that there are forms in the Newsletter to register for the Ohio Dance Convention to be held in Aurora, Ohio May 2, 3, 4, 2008 and the 57th National Square Dance Convention to be held in Wichita, Kansas June 25, 26, 27, 28, 2008.

MSP Support Committee - Ed Cordray presented the Financial Report for November 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007. Beginning balance was \$23,044.95, with receipts of \$1,730.00 and expenses of \$1,325.04. Ending balance was \$23,449.91. Copies of the Proposed and Actual MSSC Budget for Calendar Year 2007 were on the table. Income was down and expenses were up. This was partly due to some 2006 expenses being posted in 2007 and replacement of gutters on the building.

Copies of the Proposed MSSC Budget for Calendar Year 2008 had been distributed. Harold Simpson moved to accept the Budget as presented, Steve Hayden seconded the motion and it was approved.

Ed reported that all four doors have locks with the same key. He also stated that Ken Roberts has made a donation from the Deborah Roberts Memorial Fund of new kitchen countertops and sink for the kitchen. Ken Roberts has also been contracted to do several things in the kitchen. The renovations will take place in the next couple of months.

There was a question relating to the cleaning of the ceiling fans. Ed said this would be addressed as part of the spring cleaning.

Historian - Sharrie Hayden announced that a new quilt is going to be made. Each club was given a plastic bag containing a fabric square and instructions for the new square. Please contact Sharrie if your club cannot make a square or if there is someone in your club who is willing to make squares. She would like to have the squares back at the Council meeting in March. It was also stated that we cannot take squares from the previous quilt.

Hotline - Jean Aills stated there was no report.

Unfinished Business - Now is the time to turn in dance schedules for July thru December, 2008. They are needed by the next Council Meeting.

We were asked to participate in the Think TV Auction April 7-12. Please see Linda for details.

New Business - Linda reported that a committee is needed to review the Constitution and Bylaws. According to the Constitution, this should be done every five years. Please let Linda know if you are willing to serve on this committee.

Club News

Grand Squares - John Chevalier reported that there is a schedule change. The February 22, 2008 dance will be held at the Vandalia United Methodist Church.

John also encouraged all of the clubs to support the beginner dance to be held on January 20, 2008. Volunteer to bring your new dances to this dance.

Miami Valley Folk Dancers - Louise Van Vliet reported that there will be a special Bulgarian Folk Dance workshop on January 13, 2008. MVFD will be celebrating their 55th Anniversary on March 27-30, 2008. Prices will be what they were 55 years ago. Everyone is invited.

Gem City - Sharry Hayden announced that there will be a Souper Bowl on Saturday, January 19, 2008.

President's Report - Linda stated that the 2008 Budget has been distributed. Randy Adams made a motion to accept the budget. Larry Carey seconded the motion. There were no questions and no discussion. The motion was passed.

Linda thanked everyone for their support. She especially thanked Randy Adams, our new webmaster for the work he has done updating the website. We are still looking for a newsletter editor and a publicity chair.

The Honor Couple/Person was voted on at the January Executive meeting. The name will be withheld until a later date after notification at the honor dancer's club's next meeting. The Honor Dance has been moved to Sunday, March 9, 2008.

Linda reminded clubs that during the course of voting, only one representative from each club shall have one vote at Council meeting (Bylaw, Art. III, Sec 1, A).

Linda asked for questions.

There was a question relating to the dance pricing for new dancers. The pricing is up to each individual club.

Steve Hayden asked if the table at the State Convention was the responsibility of the Honor Couple/Person. It was stated that Council is responsible for the table. Traditionally, the Honor Couple/Person's club hosts the Honor Couple/Person dance.

Steve Hayden stated that this year one of the Board Members is going to the Honor Couple/Person's club to make the announcement. Steve asked if this sounded like a good idea for the future. There was agreement that this was a good idea.

Adjournment - Moved by Jim Gill and seconded by Larry Carey. Motion was carried and meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Next Miami Valley Dance Council meeting will be March 11, 2008

Respectfully submitted,
Mikki White, Secretary