

Central Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs

Minutes of Meeting May 2, 2016

COCDC President Velma Doyle called the meeting to order at 7:30.

Roll Call: There were 12 members present representing 11 clubs plus Dennis Budinski representing State Corp, 2016 State and 2017 National Conventions.

Minutes: Minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: Pat Liston reviewed her report noting a \$239.55 profit from the Honoree Dance. Corrections were made changing 3/07 entries "Snowball Dance" to "Pre-Snowball Workshop" and 2 typo's on 3/18. The treasurer's report was accepted with corrections.

Proposed Budget: Doug Burdette recommended that under "Insurance", in addition to the actual \$813.95 taken in from clubs, a proposed expenditure be listed to clarify where the money went. Pat will present an amended budget on Aug. 1st under Old Business.

Bills: Velma turned in bills for \$12.54 for postage. Council voted to pay the bills.

Communications: A request from the Providence Therapeutic Equestrian Center for COCDC to support their square dance chili fundraiser event in October was declined.

Committee Reports: State Corp - Shirley. No report. Next meeting May 6, at the convention. Doug Burdette strongly recommended that at the State Corp meeting our Columbus reps insist on all Federations making commitments to job & financial responsibilities for the next State Convention in 2018 (so we don't get stuck with it all).

Callers Liaison/Caller's Report - No report.

Demo Reports - Shirley passed out flyers for the Sweet Corn Festival 9/3, 12: - 1:30.

State Fair Demos - No outdoor demo 8-6, but will schedule demo inside Janis Center.

Relay for Life flyers were distributed for May 21 event at Delaware Cnty Fair Coliseum.

Ed Laudenschlager calls/instructs Western 4:-6:, Roger Cole calls/instructs Eastern 6:-8: Velma offered 2015 COCDC recruitment flyers to Nancy for flyer table. Nancy requested updated lesson information especially from Hicks & Chicks and Westerville as well as dancer support. Dress attire - club T-shirts or casual.

Publicity - Connie pleaded for a committee to be formed. No one committed due to so much convention work at this time. Connie proposed COCDC again support member clubs offering beginner square dance classes by reimbursing them 50% of their documented 2016/2017 new dancer marketing expenses up to \$200. Erma seconded the motion and all approved. Connie further proposed that Velma again ask Sue Williams to head a Recruitment/Marketing committee after the convention work is over. Dave Van Dyk agreed to work on the committee. Nancy will ask Debbie Cina for demo and marketing involvement.

Ways & Means - \$239.55 profit from Honoree Dance.

Convention - Dennis reported all is ready to begin convention Thurs. eve 7:30 - 10:30. Lynn added that Terri Ross needs to post signs at the raffle tables indicating 18 yo and under not be allowed to purchase tickets. Nancy reported that Bob Daye will need subs to cover his convention calling slots as he is having health issues.

Old Business - Club schedules are due 6-1-16 so Mark Johnson can print 2016-2017 calendar. Lynn reported that an audit of COCDC Financial Records took place April 16 with check book & bank statements matching on all 7 months randomly chosen. The committee recommended that a 3rd person be added to account signature cards. It was decided to add both Nancy & Lynn. Dennis recommended using Bookkeeper software to help organize entries better. Council approved the report. Connie & Erma proposed council purchase of Bookkeeper software for approximately \$40. Council approved. Connie thanked Pat for her financial expertise and the auditing committee for their service.

New Business - USDA insurance. A question was raised if clubs could send in their mid-year new membership fees directly to USDA bypassing third party paperwork for Velma & Pat. Velma will ask this question at the USDA seminar at our convention.

CentralOhioSquareDancing.com domain was accepted for renewal for \$60.40 for 5 years. The idea of rotating more Plus Level dances into club schedules was discussed and encouraged to take back to clubs to up-grade dance levels somehow.

Club Reports

Bucks & Does Our Jan. class will graduate 5/31. Next dance is 5/13.

Dixie Squares May 13 is their last dance for the season.

Friendly Ties Graduated 6 students, 2 graduated from combined lessons at Orbiting as well. 104 guests at Cinco De Mayo, 15 clubs represented.

Grove City had 15 squares at their 5th Saturday 2 hall dance clearing \$300. They will sponsor a Relay for Life dance on June 11 with Jason Raleigh and Tom Davis.

LBJ Supporting Relay for Life at Delaware Cnty Fair May 21. See COCDC demo report above. Last dance of season May 20 - "Ice Cream Social" see flyers. Also Summer Special July 17 with Raleigh/Berry is pot luck. See flyer for revised hours.

Maple Leaf Squares May 22 is 4th Sunday dance with Ed Laudenschlager. Summer workshops scheduled for 2nd & 4th Sundays in June, July, and August.

Orbiting Graduated 7 including 2 from Friendly Ties and 1 from Bucks & Does. Next dance May 20. Plus summer dance schedules & summer workshop flyers were distributed. Workshops from 5/12 to end of July, 7: - 9: Mark Johnson, Instructor.

Westerville Graduated 12. Attributed success to new dancer's involvement in banner steals. 2 dances in May. 2nd Sat. in June is Flag Dance.

Hicks & Chicks 6 graduates. Students did not go to any raids other than Hi/Lo as they did not feel welcome at Plus Dances. They have 2 dances in May and 1 in June, + a Special in July.

Doug encouraged singles to ask a partner to dance rather than waiting alone in a square. Dancers are rude not to stop talking when cuers begin cuing rounds. Educate dancers.

Motion to Adjourn: Next meeting Aug. 1, 2016 @ 7:30.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Swanberg, secretary