

**Central Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs
Minutes of Meeting August 4, 2014**

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

Roll Call: There were 13 members from 9 clubs.

Minutes: After the State Corp Committee Report was corrected to include "Shirley Monnett" at the Honoree Luncheon, the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was approved. Of special note was \$780 earned at the Arts Festival Lemonade Stand. Sue Corbin was pleased with the appreciation gift cards issued for photography services.

Bills: \$25 Mifflin Church meeting room; \$67.38 misc. expenses to Velma Doyle. Approved.

Communications: Velma read a letter from Richard Bishop of Miami Valley Dance Council concerning removal of club members for unethical behavior. Velma will email an excerpt from the letter to club leaders so they can discuss with members possible incorporation into their own By-Laws.

Committee Reports:

a. State Corp: Debbie Cina reported State Corp dues will remain \$35, payable now. The surcharge of \$.35 per convention dancer will be raised to \$.45 in 2016. One Cincinnati 2014 Convention report was to have been issued to each council, but they ran out of copies. Debbie Cina has the Historian's copy of the report, and Velma has copied this so COCDC now has a copy. The National Showcase of Ideas was poorly attended. The Showcase space will be kept with the purpose of promoting National Conventions. Dale Bennett wants to have an easier to understand description of calls for Nest for the narrators, and Debbie Cina is working on developing this list. Dave Van Dyk requested a copy. Narrator training will be held Sunday, Aug. 10. State Corp is looking for a sponsoring club for the 2017 Honorees Dance, which will be held instead of a state convention due to the National Convention being in Ohio in 2017. The 2014 Ohio Convention netted \$2,315 with 738 attendees. Cleveland Convention registration is doing well. Hotel room rates will be \$122. Cincinnati 2017 National registration is at 430. State Corp is creating a vibrant colored solo ribbon for dual position dancers. Raising both hands when squaring up signifies they need either partner. A new form is available now for dancers to use to get signatures from club officers when they visit other clubs to earn friendship dangles. 2014-2015 COCDC calendars are available on the flyer table.

b. Callers Liaison/Callers Report: Dave Van Dyk has become an associate member. The Shovers have dropped out. Ed Laudenschlager is sponsoring Frank Reed as an apprentice caller. The Nest narrator training will be held on 8/10 @ 4:00, at the home of Don Conrad, 3622 E. Powell, Lewis Center. A co-sponsored COCDC/COCA fundraiser dance was tabled.

c. Demo Reports: Sunday, 8/17 is 10 TV Health & Fitness Expo at Greater Columbus Convention Center demo with Eddie Powell. Velma has admission and parking passes. Also, admission passes are available at Subway restaurants. Saturday, 8/30 Ed Laudenschlager will call for the Sweet Corn Festival. Shirley Monnett has parking passes. Flyers available. Saturday, Sept. 6, 10:00 - 4:00 Good Ole Days at Powell Historical Society. Tommy Seymour /Jason Raleigh call along with Clear Run Band. Dance time TBA.

d. Publicity/Recruitment/Marketing: Sue Williams' letter of apology for website delay was read. She encourages all clubs to distribute the yellow COCDC recruitment flyers.

e. State Convention Committee: Next meeting will be 8/18/14. Dick Liston reported the contract will be finalized tomorrow if he and Dennis have to wait all day. Convention Committee is still looking for a secretary. Debbie Cina expressed an interest. Terri Ross' fund raising basket idea was met with enthusiasm. Each club is being asked to donate a \$30 basket or (cash for her

to make a basket) and she will insert a surprise Convention item into it to be auctioned off at each fund raiser dance. The Convention Committee has donated cash for the first auction basket at the Sept. 14 dance in Gahanna.

Old Business: Club dues of \$30 are payable today. Club officer forms were issued and need to be turned in today or emailed to Nancy Swanberg nswanberg@columbus.rr.com.

New Business: Mifflin Presbyterian Church has a new policy requiring that after regular church hours, the door must be locked at all times. Groups meeting at the church have to provide a monitor at the door to admit only individuals who are part of their group. Fred Moore has volunteered to serve as door monitor during meetings.

Toys for Tots dance is Dec. 14 2:-5: at Gahanna Church. Volunteer club tasks will be discussed at our next meeting.

Lynn LeMaster asked for input into presenting retiring callers & cuers with appreciation plaques at the Snowball. Lynn, Velma Doyle and Dave Van Dyk agreed to form a committee for further exploration of this idea. Reps are to bring back club input in September.

Shirley Monnett asked that her address not be publicized in mass e-mailings. Dave Van Dyk suggested forwarding emails to a blind copy and inserting list of names in body of message. Velma said she uses the blind copy when sending mass emails.

Club Reports:

Bucks & Does Special - Harvest Moon Jamboree 10/30. Lessons Tues. 9/16 with Ed L. (Nest)
Dixie Squares - 2nd Fri. squares & rounds, 4th Fri. rounds.

Friendly Ties - Jim & Donna Easley presidents. Bev resigning as rep. - Will spend winters in Florida. Family Reunion Dance Sept. 21-bring a friend. Eddie Powell. Round lessons 2nd & 4th Weds. Chuck & Shirley Berry instructing. Square lessons begin Tues. 10/7 with Eddie Powell
LBJ - 1st Friday Mainstreet demos going well. Yard signs posted 7/1- good response. Go to www.yardsignwholesale.com then designmysign@aol.com to design and order signs online.

Lessons begin Tues. 9/9 with Bob Daye (Nest)

Maple Leaf Squares - Lessons begin Sun., Sept. 7. Caller Tom Poe needs to be replaced in Nov.
Orbiting-Location for 9/19 and 12/5 dances changed to Little People Day Care Center. Aug. 15 caller Tom Poe changed to Eddie Powell. Oct. 3 Chuck Wagon flyers on table. Lessons Thurs. 9/18 with Mark Johnson.

Scrambled A's changed workshops to dances.

Westerville - 9/13 dance 7-9:45 with free cookout. Lessons begin 9/17 with Bob Daye (Nest)
More dancers are needed at Summer in the Park dances.

Motion to Adjourn: Next meeting Sept. 8, 2014 @ 7:30.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Swanberg, secretary