

Central Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs

Minutes of Meeting November 6, 2017

1. COCDC President Pat Jones called the meeting to order at 7:30pm
2. Roll was called with 18 members present
3. The minutes of the September 6, 2017 meeting were reviewed and accepted. Motion was made by Doug Burdette and second by Shirley Monnett
4. **Report from the Board:**
 - A. **President: Passed**
 - B. **Vice President:**
 - 1.) 10 New Friendship Dangles were ordered. They are black and yellow with hands shaking on the dangle. 4 people from Grove City have completed the old form and have been grandfathered in under the new rules for achieving the friendship dangle. Lynn will be presenting dancers with the dangle and a note about the Friendship dangle. Harmony Hall will be included as one of the 10 clubs if a dancer has attended that dance. Otherwise it will be the 10 Plus clubs in the council. Dangles are \$1.00 each to be paid by Council. Send forms to Lynn. Forms will also be available on the website.
 - C. **Secretary:**
 - 1.) The Recycle Sale collection is underway. Dancers have started to donate used square dance clothing, shoes and accessories. We still need more donations to make this a success.
 - D. **Treasurer:**
 - 1.) The treasurer's report was reviewed. Pat was given receipts for reimbursement from clubs and officers for advertising for lessons, dangles, cards, and printing.
The P.O. Box was cancelled and a \$1.00 key deposit has been returned to the COCDC.
 - 2.) A motion was made by Jim Easley to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills and seconded by Doug Burdette. Motion passed.
5. **Report of Standing Committees:**
 - A. **Ways and Means:**
 - 1.) The deadline for clubs submitting their Honoree Nominations to Pat Liston

is

November 10, 2017.

B.Special Dances:

- 1.) Toys for Tots dance will be held on Dec 10, 2017 at the Gahanna Church from 2-5 pm. This will be a New Dancer dance, COCA Callers, & Recycle clothing sale Set up will be at 1:00pm.
- 2.) All Clubs will bring finger food.
- 3.) Toys for Tots volunteer assignments:
 - a. Door: Orbiting- Connie Williams & Erma Wolf
 - b. Greeters: Friendly Ties
 - c. Food Table: Bucks & Does
 - d. Recycle Sale: Dixie Squares: Terri Ross
 - e. Fire Department: Gary Jay
 - f. Supplies: Carol Seymour will purchase the supplies & be reimbursed.

C.Convention/State Corp:

- 1.) State Corp:
 - a. A list of all the clubs will be posted on the state corp website.
 - b. Cincinnati council is now the Greater Cincinnati Dance Federation.
 - c. The state banner is being changed to show the Cincinnati name change to Greater Cincinnati. State is being added to our name on the banner.
 - d. Pam Courts is very ill.
 - e. A Google file is being set up for all the history of state corp.
 - f. Dale Bennett has resigned as education coordinator. They are looking for new Education Coordinator and topics for convention.
 - g. State By-laws and policies are being reviewed.
- 2.) Convention: National/Ohio
 - a. National shirts are still available.
 - b. Miami Valley had a fund raising dance for the Ohio State Conv.
 - c. The National Convention made no profit.
 - d. There were 15 registrations as of 9/30/2017.
 - e. Dennis Budinski stated he has not made any down payment for Crowne Plaza. He has not seen a contract as of yet for the Crowne Plaza for 2018. No information on trips or dinner show.
 - f. Each council has been asked to bring 3 baskets to the Ohio 2018 convention. Amount for each basket to be determined at next meeting.

D. Scheduling Coordination:

- 1.) Lynn is requesting each club to send her their club dance schedule as far out as they have dances scheduled and all special dances beginning with 2018 and going out as far as you have scheduled. She does not need to have the callers and cuers at this time. She has also drafted a letter to send to Buckeye Round Council, COCA, HOOTS, and Hi-Timers to also give their schedule to us.
- 2.) Lynn is also working on a form to send out asking what specials clubs and organizations are planning.
- 3.) 5th Sundays seem to be open quite often for special dances.
- 4.) It was decided that on the request form we will put "To Be Determined" if there is a conflict we can not resolve.

E. CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

1. Pat Jones read the By-Laws for the second time with the corrections. Jim Easley made a motion to accept the By-Laws with the corrections and seconded by Doug Burdette. A roll call vote was taken on 11/6/17 with 18 members present and 100% approval.
2. Pat Jones read the Constitution for the first reading. The second reading will be at the January meeting.

F. COCA:

1. Tom Alexander has retired.
2. Jaye Fitch has joined COCA and is available for dances.
3. There has been no discussion at the COCA about purchasing Purple Hearts for dancers that have met the requirements to receive a purple Heart.
4. Dolly Conrad (wife of Don) has lung cancer.

G. Marketing/Retention/Recruitment:

1. Lynn has corrected the flyers for the New Dancer Dances.
2. LBJ's dance has been corrected from Dec 29th to Dec 15th.
3. Pat Jones is looking for a new dancer dance assessment form. She will email this form out to all reps and presidents.

H. Website:

1. The committee and Rob Stampfli had a meeting. There have been changes planned for the website.
 - a. New Logo.
 - b. Additional Club Banners need to be added to the home page.
 - c. Club historical stories need to be updated if already on website or added by clubs that are missing.
 - d. Officers Bio's will be added to the Officers page.

- e. There will be an Officer's message board for the officers to post messages.
- f. We're making use of the photo album page. We're posting club special dances and council sponsored dances.
- g. The Facebook link is now working correctly to link dancers to the Facebook page.
- h. The State, National and Canadian national convention have been added to the website.
- i. The Honoree page has been updated.
- j. The Caller and Cuer page has been updated indicating retired and deceased.
- k. The friendship badge form has been added to the website.
- l. Discussion of whether to keep non-member club listings on the website. Dave VanDyk made a motion to continue to list all Central Ohio clubs, including non-members on the directory and calendar listed on the website, designating what clubs are not members. Connie Williams seconded. Motion Passed.

6. Old Business:

A. Club Insurance:

- 1) All the clubs have turned in their insurance to Velma.

B. New Class in January

- 1.) The new class will start on Saturday, January 6th from 10-12 at the Gahanna Church.
- 2.) The church has not confirmed the rental fee of \$25.00.
- 3.) There is a min. of 5 dancers at \$5.00 per week per dancer to continue the lessons. First lesson is free. Angels will give to a donation bucket.

7. New Business:

- A. The new caller/cuer scholarship has been tabled until the January meeting.
- B. Velma will make the Hi/Low dance calendar.
- C. COCDC approval was given to sponsor the Free Presnowball workshop again this year on 1/27/17 at the Gahanna Church, which has been confirmed. The callers and church will be paid by the COCDC. There will be a potluck and recycling sale at the dance. Doug Burdett made a motion and Connie Williams seconded to sponsor Pre-Snowball workshop. Motion passed. There are 4 callers available.
- D. Suggestions for Club Guidelines were tabled until the January meeting.
- E. All COCDC clubs have agreed to give one free dance to all New Dancers after graduation.
- F. Gary Jay will confirm the 2018 meeting schedule with the church.

8. Club Reports:

- A. Johnny Appleseeds: 24 new students
- B. Bucks & Does: 8 new students. They are sponsoring the Yellow Rock Dance.
- C. Calico Pairs: None
- D. Dixie Squares: Phyllis & Doug Burdette will be starting a new rounds class in January.
- E. Friendly Ties: None
- F. Grove City: Squares: Pre New Years Eve dance on the 5th Saturday of December w/2 halls.
- G. Hicks & Chicks: 11 students and no honoree couple
- H. I.C. Rounds: None
- I. Little Brown Jugs: Charity dance will be held at the Delaware Bible Church. 11 new dancers.
- J. Maple Leaf Squares: 1 student and no honoree couple.
- K. Orbiting Squares: 9 students & New Year's Eve dance
- L. Starlites & Satellites: None
- M. Westerville Promenaders: None

Meeting Adjourned: Motion by Dennis Budinski and seconded by Doug Burdette. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: January 8, 2018 in Room 10 in the basement.

Respectfully Submitted by Terri Ross