

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCERS
KNOTHEAD CONVENTION
CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

SEPTEMBER 2, 1972

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chet Vettters at 10:00 A.M. The minutes were read by Secretary Peewee Stewart. The following corrections were made by Boots Oglesby: Sunday night, not Saturday night; approximate net, not net; Southeast report made by Charles Zelle instead of Boots Oglesby. Minutes approved as corrected.

The treasurer report was read by Len Levitt balance \$ - approved
and accepted. Accepted \$ southeast dues.

The Final Report for the 1972 State convention was made by Boots Oglesby. Slogan "Something new in 72" was followed out beautifully. Trails end dance was held in one county Dade, and the convention, under one roof in Broward. No complaints about sound. Callers and round dance instructors were highly complimented for programming. High praise for the committee. Apologies for the one dance hall having carpet. Chairman Chet Vettters asked for an applause for the convention committee.

Ray H. Peck, treasurer of 1972 convention gave a financial report (attached report). He gave a percentage comparison report on past conventions:

1968	42%	5245	2456
1969	36%	3643	1300
1970	33%	3863	1290
1971	13%	2841	366
1972	52%	6059	3139

BY LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT by Mori Sogalow

The constitution did not need revising and no need for By Laws. Al Cody mentioned the 1964 original charter. Following, the minutes, had been successful for almost 20 years was his recommendations. In this way the operation was flexible and makes the administration for each convention simple. A strong committee detail and just regular updating convention procedures would be sufficient. Frank Cornwall moved that we proceed as in the past. Seconded by Mori Sogalow. Recommended guidelines - Chet Vettters, Chairman asked secretary, Peewee Stewart to mail convention procedures to all Presidents of the Associations.

Chairman Vettters recognized all past presidents being in attendance 100%.

BOW AND SWING REPORT by Jack Pierson

1. He announced:

Supplying new knothed members three months free subscription would be discontinued, due to bookkeeping and financial reasons.

2. Still supplying 34000 where to dance to welcome stations.

3. He would put an Adin Sets and Order.

4. Asked cooperation from all, so in order for him to make a break in news. Be sure to write most important news in sequence, this probably would make less complaints of cutting news.

5. Colored pictures can be used but prefer black and white, sharp.

WEST COAST ASSOCIATION & 1973 CONVENTION reported by Ron Valkenburg

Four hundred and fifty rooms secured at Mangor Inn and Holiday Inn close by convention center. Curtis Hixon Hall confirmed. Ribbons for entire convention red-white would be stamped; blue for callers and round dance instructors.

Summer jamboree in July had 60 squares. Keys for 1973 spree available for 50¢. Registration should pick up 1st of year - have 150 pre-registered now.

NORTH EAST - Lou Connaley

Classes are serving a two fold deal. Had three exhibitions already. T.V. and newspaper publicity. Word of mouth was good. Friday night and Sunday afternoon \$8.00 per couple. Association is paying hall and callers. This was for the Jacksonville area only, not Gainesville.

Virgil Green reported on the Fall Round Up Ron Schnieder, Caller, Manny Smiths Rounds. Tickets on sale - Round Dance Clinic Sunday morning at Hart Meyer Hotel, Auditorium

South East. New president introduced. Clinics being held on 3rd Sunday of the month. Renewal Dance on 10-12-72 at Mylander Auditorium Hialeah.

Central - Peewee Stewart

The Mayor of Orlando had declared Square Dance Week-He had received Governors Proclamation for the Federation declaring Square Dance Week.

All clubs are pushing Square Dance week and were going to participate in scheduled exhibitions.

The Association had bought promotion materials for all clubs to use as class publicity. Such as posters and pamphlets. Behind the Bow and Swing 100%. The memberships are growing immensely.

Round Dance Liason Bertie Martin said she was promoting Round Dancing-Pledge whole heartily that Round Dancers were going to cooperate with the Federation, chairman Vettters announced distribution of Convention funds - \$313.96; Round Dance Council-\$1412.81 ; Callers - \$706.41; South East Association - 706.41; Federation \$ 706.41. TOTAL \$3139.59 net proceeds.

Central 1974 Convention Report - Jack Tucker

May 23 - 24 - 25

" More in 74" are going in full swing.

We of the Central Florida have had two meetings and some of the committee chairmans have been appointed.

Some of the "More in 74" thoughts are:

More Attendance

More Enjoyment

More Fellowship

More Hospitality

More to offer the dancers

More to offer the callers

After studying past knothed Conventions, some state conventions successfully Large cluv dances - talking to dancers and callers across Florida.

We here come to the conclusion that our convention needs a new and somewhat different approach to encourage more dancers and callers to attend.

As our way of offering "More in 74" to the dancers and callers, we would like at this time to reccomend to the Federalition for there consideration that we hire two National callers to call both Saturday and Sunday night dances for all dancers and callers with there wivis to enjoy.

And as an added enducement to our Florida callers we would have the two National caller clinic Saturday morning.

The Florida callers would program:

Trails End Dance.

Saturday afternoon dance.

Sunday afternoon dance.

With possibility of a farewell dance Monday A.M.

And after Parties.

We have checked our facilities and find that they would be adequate.

Discussion on Convention Program-

Virgil Green made a motion that the Florida Federation of Square Dancers approach the callers Association on improving the program of the State Convention. To include possible alternation; including hiring National callers for the evening programs. The edea is to make the Convention more attractive. Seconded by Ben Hamilt n motion carried.

Chairman Vettters appointed Len Levitt, Jack Tucker, Ben Hamilton and Jim Whitman to be on this committee to represent the Federation.

Chet Vettters, Chairman announced callers clinic in Clear Lake Auditorium, October 20-21st.

Codoa- Requested secretary to send out letters to all delegates, new and old for admittance purposes next meeting of the Federation will be on Sunday at the Atlantis Lodge at 10 a.m. He appointed nominating committee.

George Oglesby
Mori Sogalow
Al Martin
Virgil Green

Vettters introduced Harry Moore- National Representative reported:

That at National they had documents, promotions materials for future festivals at the press conference. These were valuable for organization in Square Dance. Proceeding could be ordered from Headquarters.

Adjourned 12:20 p.m.

Submitted: Peewee Stewart

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FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME

Advance Registrations	\$
Hall Receipts	
Advertising Receipts	
Fashion Show Tickets	

\$

EXPENSES

Advertising & Signs*	\$
Ribbins	
Printing & Mailing	
Sound (Rental, Tech. & Misc. Equip.)	
Hall, Security, Stage Hands, Booths	
Misc., Bank Charges & Tel. Calls	
Committee Expense	
Registration Refunds	
Fashion Show Refunds	

\$

NET \$

Respectfully submitted by Roy H. Peck, Treasurer

August, 1972

*Signs donated to West Coast Assoc. for '73 Convention