



# FLORIDA FEDERATION of SQUARE DANCERS

The regular meeting of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers was called to order by Chairman Jack Tucker at 10:00 A.M. May 28, 1978 at the Howard Johnson Inn, Orlando, Florida

Roll call was taken by the Secretary, Jack Lascola, All officers were present. All five area associations had three delegates present. Ten of the past chairmen were present with three absent.

It was moved that since all delegates had received copies of the minutes that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

There were representatives in attendance from the Florida Callers Association and from the Round Dance Council.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance Forward , January 1, 1978	\$
Income	
Disbursements	
Bank Balance, May 15, 1978	\$ _____

## NET ASSETS

Federation Bank Account	\$
Contingency Fund (Fla. State Conv. Fund )	
Advance to 25th State Convention	
TOTAL ASSETS, May 28, 1978	\$ _____

Chairman Jack Tucker presented Plaques to all the past chairmen for an excellent job when they were chairman and in appreciation of their efforts for the Federation.

## AREA REPORTS

### Central - Don Lutz

Our next Association meeting will be Sunday, July 16th, at Ben White Raceway. At that time our new officers will be installed. They are John and Esther Layne, President; John and Frances Berger, Vice-President; Ann Goodemote, Secretary; Jim and Rita Mott, Treasurer.

On the 29th of July we will have our renewal dance at the U. A. W. Union Hall. Calling for the squares will be Bill Shell and queing the Rounds Phyllis and K. O. Williams.

Our Association Blood Bank has 40 units to our credit at this date.

At our Pirates Ball in April Central Fla. Millie and West Coast Coast Willie were officially engaged. Wedding plans will be announced in the near future.



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### WEST COAST - Hugh Fultz

The West Coast Association has been the sponsor of five Association dances in as many areas since the first of the year. At Sebring and Dunedin 25 squares were present. At Gulfport 40 squares, Sarasota 35 squares and at Tampa 39 squares were present. All of these dances were free to West Coast members. This is our way of spreading the West Coast story to the dancers.

We are looking forward to two West Coast dances in July. July 27th we travel to Holiday Lakes Estates then back to North Boulevard in Tampa for a  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  dance July 29th. September 30 is our election at N. Boulevard, Tampa.

The Blood Bank now has fifty-two units to its credit and we have given identifying discs to all donors. We hope to have forty units this year to add to the thirty of last year for which we received a commendation from the Community Blood Bank.

West Coast Willie is still visiting clubs around our area and now has amassed 107 visits. He also became engaged to Central Florida Millie at the Pirates Ball. Nuptials will be later this year.

The Sun Coast Callers held seven dances for students in our area, The West Coast Association served refreshments at the fifth of these affairs where 25 squares attended.

As of May the West Coast had 1,725 members toward our goal of 2,000 this year. We are in a very healthy financial condition and will close this year in the best position we have ever enjoyed.

We want to remind everyone that on October 27th and 28th the West Coast Association produces the Fall Fun Fest with Ken Bower and the Lovelaces at the Lakeland Civic Center. Tickets are available from any West Coast Officer.

### NORTHWEST - Marvin Taylor

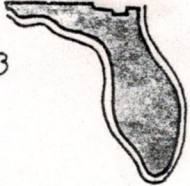
No report.

### SOUTHEAST - Bob Given

John Garoff our member who had the heart attack at the dance is in stable condition.

Our membership is 720 and our clinics on the upswing. As I reported last meeting our goal was to up-grade the level with Frank Bedell calling the squares and George and Janes Alberts on the rounds. They are doing an excellent job. Our clinics are on the second Sunday of each month in various parts of the South East area to give all of the members a chance to come to the clinics.

Our elections are to be held in July with the new officers taking office in August.



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Our big thing coming up is S O S. I know some of you haven't heard of it so to explain it I would like to introduce the chairman of S O S Alan Ashcroft.

S O S - Alan Ashcroft

There is a lot of excitement going in the South East and we have put out our S O O. Our big problem right now is to explain what S O S means. The last I heard it Means Sax on Sunday, Save our Squares or any thing you want to call it. It really means Southeast October Spectacular and it will be a festival type of event, a two day event on Friday and Saturday. We have two local South East callers Friday night, Pete Sansom and Vern Johnson. Saturday we decided we would kick the thing off right by getting John Hendron from Mass. for the Saturday program. We are backing this with skits, weiner roast on Friday night, a lot of doing that weekend for a very enthused mini-convention. So the South East is really on the move.

NORTHEAST - Ted Keiser

Preparations for our 1979 convention are going strong. Ribbons are now on sale. Lots of work is going into our demonstrations groups in the Northeast for this 1979 convention. A great deal of work is also going into our kick-off at 9:00 tonight.

We now have 83 pints of blood available in our Blood Bank. We recently provided about nine pints to a relative of one of our dancers.

Fall Round-Up in November Ribbons available and on sale. Meeting Rooms will be available at Holiday Inn South for the next Federation meeting.

Publication Reports

BOW & SWING - Jack Pierson

I am going to raise the price of subscriptions and the advertising in the Bow & Swing. I am going to \$ 60.00 for a full page and on page two is a list of ads and this will tell you what each ad will be. Subscriptions will be \$ 4.00 per year and \$ 7.00 for two years. We have absorbed as much as we possibly can and now we are raising prices!

We had a subscription dance in the Northeast Area. Our subscriptions are coming in slowly but surely and now we are putting out 3,600 copies. We thank everybody for the support you have given us in advertising and on subscriptions.

WEST COAST DANCER - Virginia Haller

The West Coast Dancer magazine has weathered several changes this year only to surface as a stronger and more vital publication than ever. We are now published by a staff of four couples, each with a definite area of responsibility. This spreads the labor and allows greater staff flexibility. We are currently publishing an average of 3,000 copies per issue and the June-July run was 3,950, in order to accommodate both the state and national conventions with copies for the Showcase of Ideas.



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## PANHANDLE PRESS - Marvin Taylor

Please send us information on any dance in your area and we will put it in our paper so we will be aware of events in other areas. We have a Calendar of Events and if there is any dance in the state of Florida we would like yo know about it. If every news letter got this info there would be no confusion having two dances at the same time. If anybody has any flyers or information please send it to us and we will put it in our newsletter.

## WHO-WHAT-WHEN-WHERE - Boots Oglesby

We have tried desperatly to keep our prices down but starting with the November deadline for the January, February, March issue we are going to have to raise our prices. A price list will be available within the next two or three months. We will give you three or four months before the deadline to take care of what is necessary. As of right now our Christmas readings will stay the same and so will our listing prices.

Page two of the 4 Ws is your information page. In cooperation with the Callers and Caller Lab we are trying to list all of the classifications like Mainstream I and II. With in the next two issues we will possibly be changing the A B C and D classification of your dances mainly because Caller Lab will have taken care of this. We also list other information of benefit to the dancers on this page. If the person in charge of the next conventions publicity will get in contact with us we will give him the prices or whatever.

We are still printing 6,000 copies and they are free to the dancers wherever they may be.

## GEORGIA STATE CONVENTION - Virginia Mc Donald

We certainly enjoyed this Convention. You did a fabulous job.

The Georgia State Association underwrites our state convention. It is free to all members of the Georgia State Association.

Wev'e got a fantastic Boys Club program in Georgia. ne Georgia State Association is sponsering it, underwriting it and manpowering it. We are growing with leaps and bounds. We are having a ~~National~~ Singles Convention in Atlantia for singles only. We are having a Hoedown. In September we are having our Georgia State Convention.

Caller's Representative- No Report

Round Dance Leader's Representative- No Report



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1978 CONVENTION REPORT- John Layne

I wish to thank each and everyone of you. We opened the doors Friday night with a \$ 3,000 profit and we will be adding to that. Attendance was 2,956. Yesterday we returned \$ 2,000 to the Coordinating Committee and we would like to repay the \$ 400 that the Federation lent us. We will have a full report at the Knothead Konvention.

1979 CONVENTION REPORT- George Garland

We will announce the location of the 1979 Convention at the Kick-off tonight. We have an enthusiastic group and they are ready to go to work.

1980 CONVENTION REPORT- Alan Ashcroft

We are still in a wait and see position. We have appointed officers to do some of the ground work. No decision has been made yet regarding location.

SHOWCASE OF IDEAS-Ken Ford

I would like to thank each of you for bringing your Showcases here. Let me know if you need any transportation to get things to the Oklahoma City Convention.

We have received many items to give out at the Convention from the Division of Tourism and have many brochures from tourist attractions.

New Business

Motion made and passed to have Ken Ford rent a U-Haul trailer to take the Showcase and other items to the national in Oklahoma City. Motion made and passed to give Ken Ford \$ 100 for expenses of taking the Showcase and other items to th National over and above the cost of the trailer rental.

Coordinating Committee- Walter Stoltz

Coordinating Committee reccomends having the 1979 State Convention in Lakeland, Florida.

This reccomendation was voted down with the 1979 Convention Committee still being able to pick site of Convention.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

Respcetfully submitted,

*Jack*  
Jack Lascola  
Secretary