

FLORIDA FEDERATION of SQUARE DANCERS

The Knothead Konvention meeting of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers was called to order by President Jack Lascola at 10:00 a. m., August 31, 1980, in meeting rooms A, B and C, in the Holiday Inn Central, Tampa.

The invocation was given by John Layne.

Roll call was taken by Secretary Ken Ford. All officers were present. All 5 associations had 3 delegates or alternates present. Eight permanent delegates were present and 7 absent. (It is noted that 2 permanent delegates have not attended the last 4 meetings. According to the Federation's Charter, "As long as they remain active square dancers and attend at least one Federation meeting each calendar year, all Past Presidents of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers shall have the privilege of voting delegates. An absence of more than one year, unless due to health reasons, will result in pernament loss of voting privilege".) Bill Roundtree, President, Florida Callers Association, and Frank DuBois, representing the Round Dance Council were in attendance. President Lascola appointed Jim Whiteman and Warren Hyland to be liaison to the FCA and RDC meetings, respectively. Upon calling for the reading of the minutes, Secretary Ford read a post card from Chet and Julia Vetter stating that, "So you can save your breath and shorten the meeting, 'We (by proxy) move the reading of the minutes be waived' Warmest regards, Chet and Julia Vetter". Motion seconded and passed.

Treasurer's report by John Layne showed:

Brought forward 5/25/80 Receipts	\$ 8
	\$
Disbursements	\$
Bank balance 8/31/80	\$

Other asset is our deposit in Contingency Fund, \$, and as a liability, a loan from the West Coast Association, \$, leaving a net worth of \$.

The Secretary had no other correspondence to report. President Lascola reported receiving a letter from the Round Dance Council, complimenting the Committee on the success of the 27th Annual State Convention. Also, a letter from Jim White of Promenaders, Inc., who is a member of the National Association of Square and Round Dance Suppliers. We sent letters to the FCA and RDC thanking them for the excellent cooperation in producing the 27th State Convention and to the Southeast Association for a job well done.

AREA REPORTS:

Northwest - Conrad Bishop - Scores of Northwest Florida dancers attended the National Square Dance Convention in Memphis, where the Northwest 1981 promotional outfits were seen, providing immediate recognition. The annual Bob Poyner Square Dance was held at PASARDA Hall, Ft. Walton Beach, on 12 July with many area dancers attending. The dance was hosted by the Sandpipers with proceeds going to the Northwest Association. The Northwest Square & Round Dance Fall Round Up will be held 25 October at the National Guard Armory, Chipley. There will be a workshop 3 p. m. to 5 p. m. and main dance 8 to 11 p. m. with Tony Oxendine calling the squares and Kit and Hoss Waldorf the rounds. Advance registrations are coming in now for the 1981 Convention. As a promotional item, it was dedided that each 200th registrant would receive a free ticket. Register now and you may be lucky and receive your ticket free gratis. Northwest was requested by the West Coast Association to sign

Northwest continued - a petition against a proposed bill which would limit or abolish private blood banks in Florida. The petition was passed around for signatures. The Association investigated the feasibility of establishing a blood bank for square dancers. However, it was found that several counties in our area are already covered by a Red Cross program where all citizens are eligible for free blood whether or not their family donates. Northeast Association in collaboration with Northwest Association published a WHERE TO DANCE sheet for distribution in our own areas and at Florida Welcome Stations. Copies were made available for distribution at Memphis.

Northeast - Frank Hamwey for Jim Wright - Frank could not be here due to heavy work responsibilities. Our Association, under the direction of Jim Wright has accomplished a great deal in the past year. We held a Leadership Clinic in Feb. for officers of clubs and square dancers of the Northeast. We have Ed Foote coming in to put on a clinic for the Northeast Florida callers. Our Association sponsored a round dance and a clogging exhibition team to represent Northeast Florida at the National Convention in Memphis. Northeast attendance at the convention was great - 300 attended. Five thousand pamphlets have been distributed to the welcome stations where people entering Florida can receive them. These pamphlets list where dances are held, who the caller is, the time, place and who to contact for more information. The response has been great so far. Getting back to the Convention for a minute, the Northeast and Northwest Associations co-sponsored an after party dance. As one caller put it at the callers meeting the next day, "there might have been bigger after party dances, but there sure was not a better one." In honor of National Square Dance Week, officers of Northeast Florida Square Dancers Association will meet with the Mayor of Jacksonville in his office to sign a proclamation. They will be joined by the President of the N. E. Fla. Callers Association, as well as leaders of local round dance and clogging groups. We expect to get a lot of local publicity on this. In the final planning stages is a picnic sponsored by the Northeast Association to include members of all the clubs in the Association. All systems are on go for our Annual Fall Roundup to be held Nov. 14 & 15 (the weekend after the Fla-Ga. football game) at the Jacksonville Civic Auditorium. Callers are Marv Lindner, El Monte, Calif. and Chris Vear, Austin, Texas, with Charles and Madeline Lovelace on the rounds. Ribbons are \$7.00 each, \$9.00 at the door. Flyers are on the table - see me for ribbons. Under the direction of George and Judy Garland, packets of square dance brochures, flyers, etc. were distributed to the 32 clubs in the Association. I have samples here to show you. The Association is trying to make up a list of square and round dancers and their backgrounds - where they live, work and dance. We have place mats, promoting square dancing which we have placed in some restaurants.

Southeast - Fred Crawford - We were proud to be the hosts of the 1980 State Convention. It was extrememly successful. We would like to give our special thanks to Alan and Bert Ashcroft, the Chairmen. There has been just one graduation of new dancers since the convention. The Association was well represented at the graduation, where we helped welcome 17 squares into the wonderful world of square dancing. Several months ago the board met to consider a design and a theme for the year 1981. We chose the theme, "Dance for fun in 81", not knowing it was the theme for the 1981 State Convention. It's a great theme and the Southeast dancers are happy that their new hangbars will promote the State Convention, also. In July, we had election of officers, with the new officers taking over in August. The new slate is as follows: President, Ray and Jean Williams - Vice-President, Lynn and Harriet Ward - Secretary, Sam Johnston - Treasurer, Gunther and Marilyn Walthers. Phil and Marion Fenster are remaining as membership chairmen. first mini-legacy in the Southeast area was held on July 25. It was called "H. E. L. P. - helping to educate leaders for progress. Our panel consisted of George and Judy Garland, George and Boots Oglesby, and Gordon Blaum. We covered a number of topics, including recruiting, levels, education, leadership and commucication. We also had small group discussions and a general discussion. The session was attended by dancers and several callers. It was important in opening

Southeast continued - a dialogue between callers and dancers. It was a very rewarding day and left everyone eager for another session. The new officers are busy with plans for a big renewal dance on September 14 at Trails End Dance Center in Hollywood and the Southeast October Spectacular on October 17 and 18 at Victory Park Auditorium in North Miami Beach. We wish them as much cooperation and as happy a time as we have had.

Central - Ray Holt - Our May dance was a huge success, with a large turnout for potluck and the elections. Our new officers are: Ray and Barbara Holt, President from Orlando, Bob and Frances Jernigan, Vice-President from Titusville, Bob and Carol Woodard, Secretary from Deland, Hank and Betty Bruce, Treasurer from Winter Park, and John Berger, Blood Bank Chairman from Orlando. We invited all the presidents and a delegate to our Board meeting to get acquainted and had a very productive meeting. We now have delegates to represent 7 of our 9 counties to draw the clubs together in each county. We are also compiling a list from each county and general information to put into our first publication for Central. We are conducting a contest to pick out a name for the new publication. Pat Tucker is Chairwoman of the contest. Last night we had a tremendous turnout for the dance in Eustis which was our renewal dance and signed up a large percentage of the dancers attending. Renewals have been coming in regularly thru the mail. Our next dance is in Mt. Dora in Nov. and the one in January is in Merritt Island. Our financial status has greatly improved and our membership is growing tremendously. The Convention Chairman for 1983 has been chosen, he is Howard and Vee Wilson from Deland. He comes to us with great qualifications. We will introduce him at the next meeting.

West Coast - John Kelley - We are aware that the delegates to this meeting are weary of listening to the West Coast Association reports, telling of the 2,600 members, the 237 pint blood bank, the 3,000 copy monthly printing of the West Coast Dancer, the excellent attendance at Association dances, the success of our Fall Fun Fest, and the many other achievements of the Association. Our 5th Annual Fall Fun Fest will be held at the Lakeland Civic Center on October 17 and 18. These results are produced by many people working together for the welfare of square and round dancing in general. Our Association congratulates Alan and Bertha Ashcroft and their committees for the excellent 1980 State Convention. We commend the Federation for the work it is doing to improve the image and operation of the square dance movement. We compliment Conrad and Belle Bishop for their tireless efforts on behalf of the Florida Showcase of Ideas at the National Convention. It was by far the most outstanding showcase, located in a favorable spot, and manned at almost every hour by greeters from Florida. The West Coast Association pledges to the Northwest Association our complete support in their efforts to produce the 1981 State Convention. May we add a personal note. It is a pleasure to be associated with the Federation and its delegates. We have enjoyed the meetings we have been able to attend and we hope that we can remain active in the square and round dance movement.

PUBLICATION REPORTS:

Bow & Swing - No report.

Panhandle Press - Doing great.

4 W's - Boots Oglesby - We are still here and doing great. The 4 W's is in its 15th year. We have one short report left over from State Convention. At the "Paper" meeting the decision was made that the price per paper to advertise the State Convention would be raised from \$120 to \$150 a year, starting immediately.

West Coast Dancer - Hugh Fultz - The summer press runs of the West Coast Dancer have been 3,000 copies per monthly issue, down from a high of 4,000 copies normally produced during the tourist season. Our last issue listed 94 square dance clubs and 32 round dance clubs for a total of 126 active clubs. We also included 60 additional events, including 20 square workshops, 10 round workshops, 14 special events and 16 classes, for a grand total of 186 happenings. We are rather proud of our schedule of events and Ken and Mae Ford, our Schedule Editors. Our accuracy,

West Coast Dancer continued - however, depends upon those persons reporting to us.
STATE CONVENTION REPORTS:

1980 Convention - Alan Ashcroft - "The objective of our Committee was three-fold: First, to assist the Federation, which was on the verge of bankruptcy; second, to give the Florida Callers Association some operating capital to promote square dancing; and, third, to give the dancers an event that they would enjoy, which is the bottom line. Our problems started soon after we were appointed Chairman. There was the gas crunch and then the recession. In November 1979, I was in Lakeland and learned that the Civic Center was sponsoring a "Florida Stampede", including a rodeo in the Arena, for which I volunteered square dancers for exhibitions. Through the efforts of Walter Stoltz, the West Coast Association furnished the dancers and, as a result, we got a sizable reduction in our rent and some benefit to the West Coast Association, for which we thank you, Walter and the West Coast. We had a very small staff, which I have affectionately referred to as Ashcroft's Chosen Few. Now, for the results. There are probably things we would have done differently, had we put another one on the following weekend, such as, allocation of space, crowd control, and open our booth earlier. We sold one third of the Convention ribbons on Friday night. I want to recognize the people who worked hard to put this on, first, my wife, Bert, without whom I could not have done this, Jack and Nita Lascola, Vice-Chairman and Treasurer, our Secretary, whom you have never seen, were George and Beverly Porter, in charge of registrations were Royce and Bonnie Taylor, Buddy and Nita Shelton were Host and Hostess, Fred and Celeste Crawford did Publicity and Advertising, and Ray and Jean Williams took care of Facilities and Camping. Special recognition goes to Jack Lasry, who is a sick man, but still did for the Convention than 3 well men could. Also, Fred and Louise Hornung, our Round Dance Vice-Chairman, Chris Rawls, Clogging Coordinator, George and Boots Oglesby, who put on the Publications Round Robin, and Barbara Holt, Fashion Show. I thank you all very much." A standing ovation was given Alan and his Committee. "The statistics from the Convention were:

Total attendance 3,579
Total registrations 3,154
Total paid 2,431
Net profit \$10,334.38

Now, Mr. President, I would like to present to you and through you to the four groups which benefit from this Convention, the following checks:

Southeast Square and Round Dance Assoc. \$
Florida Federation of Square Dancers
Florida Callers Association
Round Dance Council of Florida

Here is our Financial Report and I am presenting copies of our Narrative Report for the three organizations. It has been a pleasure to serve you."

President Lascola thanked Alan and his Committee for a tremendous job. He stated there were copies of the Convention Committee's report for FCA, RDC and the 1981 and 1982 State Convention Chairmen.

1981 Convention - Marvin Taylor - "I think we are doing real well. In talking to 1980 Committee, I think we are getting more early registrations than they got. We are getting 8 to 10 a week. I want to thank the West Coast publication for their ad on the back page in its August issue. It is so good, I copied it and sent it to the other area publications. We have fliers for all the areas and their publications for you to pick up. In taking the travelling banners to clubs and other events for publicity, badges or ribbons may be pinned on it. We would like to have some demonstration teams of square and round dancers for Saturday night exhibitions. Any one who knows of these, send me the information." Joe Vaccari stated the Committee would appreciate as much publicity as possible in all areas, to try to get more advance registrations, to try to avoid the big rush on Friday night. Bill Roundtree asked if the Caller Vice-Chairman, Elmer Sheffield, would

1981 Convention continued - be available on October 19 for the meeting to complete the programing. Marvin will contact Sheffield about this. Marvin states he appreciates the Southeast area using their slogan "Dancing for Fun in '81", on its badges.

1982 Convention - Hugh Fultz - Our Committee has held one meeting, under the able direction of Ken Ford and Jean Fultz. The second meeting will be held at the Fall Fun Fest in Lakeland on October 18. The 1982 dress will be on view at that meeting and, hopefully, we will have patterns and instructions for any one who may be interested. Preliminary funding has been obtained from the Coordinating Committee and accounts have been set up so that the Treasurer can function. The Budget Director is perusing past convention accounts preparatory to setting up a tentative fiscal overview. We are well on our way to mounting a successful Convention in 1982.

President Lascola states he would like to see the Federation pay back the West Coast the loan we got from them, as soon as possible. He again thanked the West Coast for coming to our aid in this emergency. He, also, thanked the West Coast for furnishing and serving the coffee and danish for this meeting, for which we will now have a break.

John Layne introduced new delegates from the Central Association, Bob and Frances Jernigan. President Lascola asked the Association Presidents to submit to the Secretary the list of their delegates for the coming year, before the next meeting.

COORDINATING COMMITTEE report - Alan Ashcroft stated they had not had a meeting, so there is no report.

SHOWCASE OF IDEAS - Conrad Bishop - Over 26,000 dancers registered for the 29th National Square Dance Convention. Of this number, 986 Floridians "Took the Night Train to Memphis". 342 Floridians signed the locator folders provided at the Showcase and 60 served as monitors of the Showcase. The message folder was well used. Travel - At the January workshop meeting it was decided to request that each Association bring its own Showcase display material, both to and from the State and National Convention this year, only. This procedure worked out very well and saved the Federation money, as no trailer was required. Whenever the National Convention is in easy travel range, this procedure appears to be acceptable. Display space -I arrived in Memphis at 1:30 p. m., Tuesday, June 24 and was assigned 3 tables in a choice location. Subsequently, dancers from the other 4 associations arrived with their display items. By nightfall Wednesday, the entire display was in place and dancers were visiting us. As the display was being put together, it became apparent that the 3 assigned tables were not adequate. We requested and obtained an additional table. Hours of operation of a men to 10 p. m., Thursday and Friday, and 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. on Saturday. However, we completed our dismantling and repacking for returning home by 4pp. mo Showcase monitors - The Florida Showcase of Ideas Monitor Duty Roster, which was carried to State, Northwest Association, and local dance clubs, served its purpose admirably to There were only 4 one-hour periods for which dancers had not signed and these were filled on site by volunteers. Chet and Julia Vetter, John and Esther Layne, Harry and Betty Cassar, George and Judy Garland and Joe Vaccaria and Joy Richardson were respecially helpful throughout the display period us Displaye favorites of The displays featuring club badges, Millie and Willie and the revolving fan with FDORIDA printed on each blade were favorites along with the Florida Vacation Guideu published by the Florida Department of Commerce q Balloons, with FLORIDA imprinted on them, wFlorida buttons and wFlorida clipeon pins were collected by parents and grandparents for their childred and grandchildren. These are the types of give away items that were well received. A mini-vacation to Sea World was won by a lucky dancer, whose name was drawn from a box. Plaques
The Federation was awarded a plaque for participation in the Showcase. I am not aware if there was any judging of the various states displays. Many dancers made favorable comments about some display promessaying site was best at the Convention of It must be noted that this is the same basic Florida Showcase that has been rated outstanding many times; Thetures To Several Eleridians took pictures outstanding made a montage of some he took, which is on the table. Recommendations - Whenever feasible, each association vbring wits display items, both to and from the State and

SHOWCASE OF IDEAS continued - National Conventions, with the Parliamentarian being in charge at the National Convention. The Parliamentarian request 4 or 5 tables, depending on the table size. And, Showcase items be more square dance oriented.

LEGACY - Walter Stoltz - There has been very little activity on the national level. The next bi-annual meeting will be in Denver in May 1981. President Lascola noted that there had been leadership seminars in several Florida areas under the guidance of Legacy Trustees. sarants for their childred and grandchi.

CALLERS! LIAISON - Bill Roundtree - He thanked the Federation for inviting him. The proceeds from the State Convention are tremendous and will be very well used. In October, we are having Jack Murpha from California for our Fall Clinic. He has some revolutionary ideas and methods for teaching callers which should be very helpful to our members. He will, also, go into methods of teaching square dancing, for which there is a great need. He noted that Bow & Swing is getting into normal operation, with George and Rita Deschambeau taking charge of the entire production. If any one is interested in putting on a subscription dance, see him. If subscriptions can be increased, advertizing rates may remain the same. Ken Ford presented him with the check for the FCA's share of the Convention proceeds, in the amount of nowever, we completed our dismantling and re-

ROUND DANCE LIAISON - Frank Du Bois -He thanked the Federation for having him attend. The RDC is growing by leaps and bounds, gaining new teachers all the time and getting more people to do rounds at square dances. The round dance leaders feel that they are contributing a large part in promoting square and round dancing, not only in Florida, but throughout the U. S. Round-a-Lab is our organization working to improve cueing and teaching and to promote round dancing. We, also, have Universal Round Dance Council (URDC), doing somewhat the same work as Round-a-Lab, for the betterment of round dancing. We are getting great cooperation from the callers, to help us do the rounds at square dances. "I am pleased to see the enthusiasm of the Federation officers and delegates in promoting and improving square and round dancing." Ken Ford presented him with the check for the RDC's share of the Convention proceeds, in the amount of \$3,100.31. folders provided at the Show-

President Lascola, being a member of Southeast Association and of the Convention Committee, reserved the honor of presenting to the President of the Southeast Association, Ray Williams, their check of 10% off the top, of the Convention proceeds, in the amount of \$1,033.44, and to the Treasurer of the Federation, its share of the proceeds. in the amount of \$3,100.32. OFD BRRINESS: list of their delegates for the coming year, before the next meeting.

ascola asked the Association Presidents to submit to the National Square Dancers Association - Joe Vaccari - Florida was well represented at the organization meeting in Memphis, at the National Convention. It was actually a feasibility meeting. Besides Joe, there were Joy Richardson, the Garlands, Laynes, Wrights, Stones and Cassars, included in about 75 people attending, representing 12 states. The group showed much enthusiasm for starting such an organization. Joe read a press release issued from this meeting, as follows:

"During the 29th National Square Dance Convention in Memphis, Tenn., a meeting was held on Saturday, June 28, 1980, to discuss the feasibility of forming a National Square Dance Organization. More than 75 individuals representing 12 states from all regions of the country attended the meeting and openly discussed the desirability of joining the various State Associations, Councils, Federations, etc., into a National Square Dance Organization. The meeting was the result of a survey conducted last year by the California Square Dance Council to determine how many of its sister organizations from around the country would be interested in joining with them in creating a National Square Dance Organization. This survey revealed that there was adequate interest to warrant further discussions. As a result, arrangements were made with Bob and Janett Kemper, Presidents of the Tennessee by State Association of Square and Round Dance Clubs, Inc., to host a meeting during the 29th National Square Dance Convention in Memphis. Jim and Jan Maczko, Junior Past Presidents of the California Square Dance Council and Ed and Mary Barbee,

National Square Dancers Association continued - Presidents of the Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers were selected to serve as Chairman and Secretary, respectively, for the meeting. Subsequently, their positions were established as permanent until the Seattle National Convention. Discussion during the meeting centered around the fact that the lack of a truly national organization for square dancers has prevented the square dance movement from achieving some of its most coveted goals: designation of square dancing as the national folk dance of the United States; establishment of a uniformly recognized square dance week; etc. Establishment of a national square dance organization could enable the promotion of the square dance activity on a broader scale than is now possible within each individual State. Formation of such a national group would also provide for a line of communication between the various State organization leaders which do not now exist. It would create a united front from which to better represent the entire square dance movement on important issues which are constantly affecting the activity, and generally assist in the areas of education, promotion and furthering the enjoyment of square and round dancing. At the meeting it was "Resolved that there is a need for a National Square Dance Organization to be called the National Square Dancers Association and that a committee of regional representatives be established to survey their regions to get a broader feeling of the other States and to encourage others to attend the next meeting", tentatively scheduled during the National Square Dance Convention in Seattle. It was generally agreed that square dancers would equally include round dancers, cloggers and contra enthusiasts together with all other factions which make up the square dance movement. In addition, it was determined that it would be desirable for the Organizing Committee for the formation of the National Square Dancers Association to schedule a Fall meeting at a central location with the intention of further detailing the purpose, goals, and organizational structure for presentation to all State groups for their review and study prior to seeking their reaction at the Seattle meeting in June, 1981. This Organizing Committee consists of members from each of the 12 States represented at the Memphis meeting with each member being assigned a region within which to work. Any questions regarding the National Square Dancers Association may be directed to any Committee members. Minutes of the Memphis meeting may also be obtained from any of the Committee. These are just the first steps down the long road toward a National Square Dance Organization that can truly represent the square dancers of America."

Joe has been assigned a region consisting of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina. He intends to attend the Fall meeting and invites any one else interested in going to let him know. He will notify those interested of the place and date as soon as he finds out. At the Fall meeting, plans will be finalized for presentation at the meeting at the Seattle National Convention, where a determination will be made as to whether this organization will or will not be formed. President Lascola appointed Joe Vaccari to represent the Federation at any meeting held by this proposed national organization.

Betty Cassar stated the Florida Associations are to be congratulated on the showing they made at the Parade of States at the Memphis National Convention.

President Lascola stated that the Coordinating Committee had spent money from the Contingency Fund, which should be replaced to bring the Fund back up to the established amount, \$6,000. Alan Ashcroft reported this is taken care of from the Convention funds, before the split is made. Therefore, no action is necessary.

NEW BUSINESS:

Peewee Stewart moved that the Federation approve the payment of \$150 to 4 W's for advertising for one year the State Convention, duly seconded. Discussion included the idea that this should apply to all area publications and that it would be negotiated between each publication and the Convention Chairman. Also, the advertising rate of area publications has been fixed at \$120 a year by tradition, not by any action of this body. Peewee corrected his motion, with the agreement of the delegate who seconded it, to make the increase applicable to all area publications. Motion passed unanimously.

Report from Jim Whiteman, Liaison to the Florida Callers Association meeting - This was an informal meeting at which Dave Taylor and Kip Garvey took part. The only subject discussed was teaching square dancing to students in schools. They are exposed to an outdated form of the art which is not modern square dancing. The members were in favor of putting out a square dance curriculum for all state schools, hoping to get Callerlab to issue guides on a national basis.

Report from Warren Hyland, Liaison to the Round Dance Council meeting - The members expressed their appreciation to the Federation and the Committee for the great Convention this year. They are expanding their teaching methods. They are considering bringing in to the round dance hall at State Conventions an occasional tip of square dancing. This has been used at Nationals with some success.

President Lascola appointed a Nominating Committee of Joe Vaccari, Chairman, and Jim Whiteman and Mori Sogolow, members, to bring in a slate of recommended officers at the next meeting, when the annual election will be conducted.

President Lascola asked John Layne to tell about the next meeting. John welcomes us back to Central Florida. The site will be the same as the Feb. 1980 meeting, the Jamaica Inn, 3300 W. Colonial Dr., Orlando. Date is November 2, 1980 at 10 a.m. There will be a dance available on Saturday night.

Alan Ashcroft expressed an idea he got from attending an Elks Club meeting. In recruiting, they used a film to show what they do, why they exist, etc. He suggested such a film might be developed for publicity and used in recruiting square and round dancers, when appearing before established groups. He hopes the three organizations, Federation, FCA and RDC, could be counted on to finance this project, as each would benefit by it. The feelings of the three groups should be ascertained before getting the Coordinating Committee involved. Alan has had some discussion as to cost and feels it would not be excessive if a smaller production company is used. Discussion was all favorable for such a project. It will be brought up at the next meeting, with more details available, including Mary Stewart bringing her Recr. Dept. film with projection equipment for showing.

President Lascola broached the subject of the split of the Federation's share of the State Convention proceeds with the host association. Since the host association is now getting 10% off the top, it may be desirable to reduce the 50% they have been getting of the Federation's share. A question as to why the split could not be made in 4 equal parts was answered by reviewing past actions and negotiations which resulted in the progress, awarding 10% to the association. Warren Hyland moved that the Federation give the Southeast (host) Association 33 1/3% of the Federation's share of the Convention proceeds, seconded by Ken Ford. Motion was unanimously approved. Treasurer John Layne was requested to issue the appropriate check as soon as feasible.

Mori Sogolow has been talking to people in charge of the Showcase of Ideas at Seattle. He requests more input for our Showcase from the callers and round dance leaders. Mori, also, advised that Legacy trustees would be glad to help any group in Florida conduct a seminar.

Secretary Ken Ford noted we had received the Proclamation by Governor Graham of Square Dance Week in Florida. Also, the announcement in "Square Dancing" magazine, page 73 of August 1980 issue, that the "Big Events 1981" will be in the Jan., 1981 issue. The deadline for being included is Nov. 1. Ken noted he had received a list of new delegates from Central Fla. Assoc., effective Sept. 1, whereas, the Charter specifies delegates shall hold office for a term of one year beginning with the annual meeting of the Federation. If, for personal reasons, the applicated delegate is unable to serve his full term, a successor shall be appointed to fulfill the unexpired term. Further discussion of timing of elections to more closely coincide with that of the Federation may be desirable at a later date.

President Lascola asked all delegates who do not have a copy of the Federation's Charter to pick up one from the Secretary. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p. m.

Respectfully submitted, Ken Ford, Secretary