

# FLORIDA FEDERATION of SQUARE DANCERS

FINANCIAL C.

1. The second day of our working weekend was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on January 23, 1983, by President John Layne at Jamaica Inn, Orlando, Florida.
2. Invocation was given by Jean Fultz.
3. Roll call - All officers present except Conrad Bishop, Northeast had 6 delegates present, West Coast had 7 delegates and alternates present, Central had 12 delegates and alternates present, Southeast had 4 delegates present, Northwest had 3 delegates present. There were 21 permanent delegates present.
4. Bob and Ethel Bland, Vice President of the Florida Caller's Association were welcomed.
5. President John Layne thanked the Central Association for providing the snacks last night and the coffee and snacks this morning.

## 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Convention Committee Report by Mae Ford: Committee members were Howard and Vee Wilson, Frank and Marion Cornwall, Leo Richardson, George and Angie Mason, Nan Habersberger, Larry Arney, Ray Holt, Bunny Whiteman.

The Convention Committee chaired by Mae Ford suggests the following changes to the convention guidelines:

## B. CONVENTION PROCEDURES

Every reference to "Convention Chairman" will be changed to "Convention General Chairman".

- a. The General Chairman will appoint his assistant who will be called a General Vice Chairman. The General Vice Chairman will take the place of the General Chairman in the event the General Chairman is unable to complete his duties.
- b. The Convention General Chairman will appoint members of the Convention Committee according to their ability to do the job assigned and also their ability to work with others.
- c. The Convention General Chairman, as the Chief Executive Officer of the convention, retains the right to make final decisions, and his objective shall be to stage a convention in the best interest of square and round dancing and for the enjoyment and benefit of the greatest number of dancers.



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## C. FINANCES

1.(a) Change to read: A fund (presently totaling \$7,500) exists for underwriting the expenses of the convention. Should losses occur beyond this sum, the losses shall be absorbed by the three organizations, equally.

2.(a) Convention Proceeds - Proceeds of the convention shall be divided four ways:

1. Florida Federation of Square Dancers - 25%
2. Florida Callers Association - 25%
3. Florida Round Dance Council - 25%
4. Host Association - 25%

(b) No changes

(c) General Chairman of the Florida State Convention will make the distribution of the profits and give a full report of their convention at the annual Fall Federation meeting.

## D. REGISTRATION FEES

1. Registration will be free to all members of the Florida State Callers Association and their spouses and cuers who are members of the Florida Round Dance Council and their spouses. The above will receive ribbons at the State Convention upon registration at the door. Ribbons will also be given to the officers and delegates of the Florida Federation of Square Dancers, after the election meeting when the new delegates are seated and the Host Association following their registration. Further distribution of ribbons will be made at the discretion of the General Chairman of the convention.

A discussion ensued regarding issuing badges to Callers and Cuers. It was agreed that the General Chairman of the Convention; has the ability to change the methodology of the registration of individual groups. Question is called for. Motion passed as presented.

Part of the correspondence not read yesterday concerned the bid for a National Convention in the state. A state convention would have to be held in the facility first. We turned this to Mae's committee.

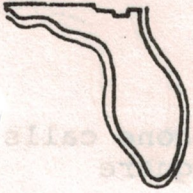
b. Facilities Report by Mae Ford.

### Future Sights for State Conventions:

| <u>Halls Needed</u> | <u>Square Feet</u> |
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| Mainstream Hall (uncarpeted floor) | 25,000 |
| + 1 - 2 (uncarpeted floor)         | 15,000 |
| Advanced (uncarpeted floor)        | 10,000 |





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## Halls Needed

## Square Feet

|             |                    |                         |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| C - 1       | (uncarpeted floor) | 4,000                   |
| Cloggers    | (uncarpeted floor) | 10,000                  |
| Round Dance | (uncarpeted floor) | 15,000                  |
| 30 Vendors  | (uncarpeted floor) | 6,000 hall or concourse |

## Spectator Seating

Cloggers 1,000 chairs  
 Main Hall 4,000 seats  
 Chairs around each hall for dancers.

## Security

24 hours for Vendors and Caller equipment.

Adequate restroom facilities - stand-up snack bar.

Motion made to adopt these recommendations into State Convention guide. Discussion followed regarding the fact that no such facilities now exist but since we are discussing future sites, motion to accept report made and passed.

c. IRS Report by Joe Vaccari: Committee members were Joe Vaccari, Chairman, Theora Frisbee, Frank Habersberger, Roland Hamel, Mary Richardson, Murl Herbert, Gerald Ault, Sarah Hare.

The committee on IRS recommends that the Federation proceed with filing the application for Income Tax exemption through Ruth Cullen, CPA, Fort Walton Beach, Florida, and that this be done as soon as all data and documents have been made available. Documents are to be completed and filed by a February 15, 1983 deadline.

Conrad Bishop and Joe Vaccari will assist in obtaining materials. The costs for the CPA for these services will be approximately \$200.00 As soon as the application has been approved, the Federation will publish a guideline for each member association for their use and their member clubs on how they can file for IRS exemption.

Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

d. Legislation Committee by Joe Vaccari: Committee members were Theora Frisbee, Frank Habersberger, Roland Hamel, Mary Richardson, Murl Herbert, Gerald Ault, Sarah Hare.

The Legislative Committee recommends to the Federation that we



become active in legislative contact through letters and phone calls to our congressmen in support of House Bill 6912 to make Square Dancing the permanent Folk National Dance.

Frank Habersberger will contact the National Folk Dance Committee to find out the status of Bill 6912 and then he will advise all five association presidents on how to proceed. This committee recommends that the Federation withhold its endorsement of the sculpture proposal until we find justification.

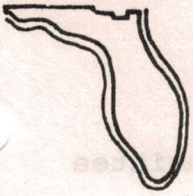
Motion made to accept report. Motion passed. The Legislation Committee also considered the correspondence received from the Corrinne Roth Studio regarding a commemorative sculpture to be presented to President Reagan upon his signing the bill into public law designating square dancing as the National Folk Dance.

e. Finance Committee Report by Norm Farrell: Committee members were Norm Farrel, Chairman, Celeste Crawford, Virginia Warren, Betty Bruce, Harry Frisbee, Phyliss Sogolow, Jim Whiteman, Virgil Green.

The Finance Committee met in room 174 on January 22, 1983 at 1:00 p.m. The first order of business was to draw up a budget for the year 1983. The following proposed budget is hereby submitted for approval.

| <u>Anticipated Expenses</u>                         | <u>Amount</u> |
|---|---------------|
| President Postage, printing, phone calls, etc.      | \$            |
| Vice President postage, printing, phone calls, etc. |               |
| Secretary postage, printing, phone calls, etc.      |               |
| Treasurer postage, printing, phone calls, etc.      |               |
| Badges  |               |
| Past President Plaque                               |               |
| Show Case of Ideas                                  |               |
| Flowers   |               |
| Refreshments (Meetings)                             |               |
| Promotional Handouts from ASD                       |               |
| Dues for U.S.D.A. (1984)                            |               |
| Delegate Binders Upkeep                             |               |
| Where To Dance leaflets                             |               |
| <u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>                               | \$ _____      |
|   |               |
| <u>Anticipated Revenue</u>                          | <u>Amount</u> |
| State Convention                                    | \$            |
| Association Dues                                    |               |
| Interest Income                                     |               |
|   | \$ _____      |





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## Estimated Gain or Loss

## Amount

Revenue  
Expenses

\$

Gain in Assets

\$

1. The expense items, in some cases are increased due to inflation, others are not.

2. The estimate for the Show Case of Ideas is increased by \$125.00 over last year due to anticipated renovation.

After completion of the budget, a lively discussion concerning related matters ensued with the following recommendation:

1. The Federation should consider leaving area and publication reports, and other such information out of minutes in order to cut down on postage expenses. These items could be handed out at the next meeting. There was no further business discussed and the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

A discussion followed regarding the recommendation to eliminate area reports and publication reports from the minutes. Reports to be made available at next meeting. Motion made, seconded and carried that report be accepted.

f. Education and Service Report by Belle Bishop: Committee members were Belle Bishop, Chairmen, Elsie Green, Jean Fultz, Julie Vetter, Sally Herbert, Jackie Arney, Boots Oglesby, Delores Ault.

### 1. Conduct and Etiquette for the Square Dancer

We decided to go ahead with a booklet for the dancer. Included in this will be:

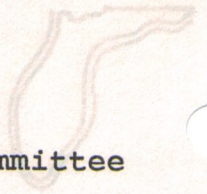
A. Welcome to the World of Square Dancing.

B. Code of Ethics.

With the permission of the editor, we will use the Do's and Don'ts published in the Grapevine Special Issue, January 1982, with some additions and modifications. These will be given to the experienced dancers first, so they can be prepared for questions from the new dancer.

A rough draft will be prepared by the committee and will be presented to the Federation at the May meeting. If approved,





we will recommend that this be taken to the Coordinating Committee to be agreed upon by all three bodies.

2. Delegate's Handbook

All state publications will be asked to prepare a sheet to be included in the Delegates Handbook listing their Advertisement and News deadline dates and rates, 50 copies to be handed to the Secretary for distribution. Each publication will be responsible for keeping its information current.

Motion made, seconded and carried.

g. Dance Contact Brochures Report by Ken Ford: Committee members were Ken Ford, Chairman, Joy Richardson, Bob Hare, Bob Woodard, Emory Johnson.

Dancer Contact Brochures recommendations:

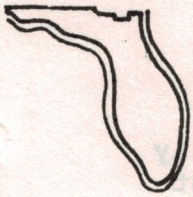
1. a. Place official Federation address under the logo.  
 b. Add the year of service under "Current Officers".  
 c. Add phone numbers of officers. (This portion was amended to omit the list of officers entirely).
2. The Federation President shall appoint a Chairman each year, whose job will be to revise listings and re-order brochures as necessary.
3. a. Decrease first order of printing to 15,000, and then re-order only as needed.  
 b. Re-order and revise as necessary when stock on hand reaches 5,000 or less.
4. Place a placard on bulletin boards at all Welcome Stations, letting square dancers know the information is available on request.
5. Identify the brochure for what it is, i.e., on the top of the face page, show "Square Dancing Information Contacts in Florida".

Motion to approve recommendations as presented except for 1b and 1c. Further action was proposed to show on bottom of face "Revised Date", approved.

President Layne announced that Hugh and Jean Fultz have consented to replace the Fords and will take on the next publication. Jean requests that Association Presidents have revisions, changes in phone numbers, etc., for her at the May meeting so she can begin revision of the brochure.

h. Area Report Format by Ken Ford. (Including Publications Reports) recommendations:





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1. a. Limit written reports to 300 words for Area Reports.  
b. Limit written reports to 150 words for Publication Reports.
2. Set a time limit for oral reports of two minutes.
3. Persons giving Area Reports, Publication Reports, and State Convention reports from the same area should coordinate their reports to prevent repetition of information.
4. Be concise - Cover major events and items of interest.
5. Emphasize future, upcoming reports. This would help in preventing conflicts of dates for some dances.

Motion to approve recommendations as presented passed except for item 2, which was defeated.

6. Legible copies of all reports shall be given to the Secretary.

(No motion necessary).

i. Showcase of Ideas by Hugh Fultz: Committee members were Hugh Fultz, Chairman, Esther Stoltz, Fred Crawford, Marcy Hamel, Joyce Johnson, Barbara Holt, Joyce Farrel.

The purpose of the Florida Showcase of Ideas is to tell the world about Square Dancing in Florida and to attract dancers to our Florida clubs which would be in trouble without the extra income visitors provide.

Within reason we can afford the transportation necessary to get material to the convention location be it something provided by the Association or donations of the tourist industry.

The display must feature a cross section of Florida square dancing and contain one or more attention getters. It is our experience that gimmicks tailored to get attention are much more effective than folders or brochures. Individual dance flyers are not effective at a national. However, area publications are in demand. About 500 from each area publication should suffice.

The Showcase should be manned four hours each afternoon and three hours each evening Thursday, Friday and Saturday consistent with convention schedules which dictate dismantling times.

There should be an inventory of permanent display material passed



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from parliamentarian to parliamentarian. Anyone receiving any information pertinent to arranging the current display must pass it along immediately. It is suggested that a list of instructions be compiled to instruct the parliamentarian on procedures, perhaps to be part of the Federation manual.

Certain supplies are purchased each year. It is suggested that a supply kit be created to contain these items and be passed from parliamentarian to parliamentarian. (Tape, safety pins, paper, rope, etc.)

It is suggested that the present out-dated badge board be replaced by a display with more eye appeal, utilizing a map of Florida and flashing lights, emphasizing cities rather than individual clubs.

The committee is not to consider itself dissolved but rather to be in continuous session to accept, conceive and implement ideas to promote Florida Square Dancing.

j. Recognition Report by Walter Stoltz: Committee members were Walter Stoltz, Chairman, Carol Woodward, Mori Sogolow, Carol Richardson, Chet Vetter, Carl Smith.

Chairman of State Conventions should be recognized in some form.

Make a motion that all past chairman of State Conventions be given complimentary ribbons from the Federation to the State Conventions.

1. Recommendation made by Walter Stoltz that a plaque bearing names of all past chairmen of State Conventions and year they were chairman to be made and hung at the Hall of Fame. If approved by Marty Martin.

2. Recommend that State Convention present to its chairman a token of recognition for a job well done.

#### Basic Guidelines

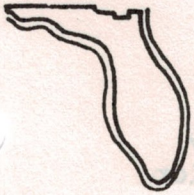
To do something or contribute to square dancing over and above the call of duty.

Associations to recognize important people at the State Convention and make own presentations.

1. Recommend that presentations be moved from Sunday to Saturday night after exhibitions.

k. Hall of Fame Report by Mori Sogolow. Committee is made up of Callers Association, Round Dance Council, and Dancers.





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Callers gave State Convention to Square Dancers in 1958.

Hall of Fame is in Plant City at Strawberry Squares. (Marty and Byrdie Martin, Round Dance Cuers, donated the hall).

## Requirements to Hall of Fame

At least 10 years in Square Dancing in the state of Florida and done something outstanding for square dancing in the state of Florida. Or a definate effect on square dancing in state.

## Funding of Hall of Fame

### Suggestion: Winter Work Shop Meeting

To have a Hall of Fame dance in the Hall of Fame building, a meeting in the afternoon and a dance in the evening. Proceeds to go to the Hall of Fame after all expenses are paid.

To begin Hall of Fame each funding organization gave \$350.00 and Hall of Fame committee needs an additional \$300.00 from each to get the Hall of Fame started.

1. Recommendation of this committee that the Federation loan the Hall of Fame Committee \$900.00 until such time as the Coordinating Committee meets and gets approval from the 3 funding organizations for reimbursement and I so move.

We have asked Marty Martin and he's agreed to put across the front of the building, "Home of the Florida Square Dancing Hall of Fame". The cabinets to hold the pictures are made of black walnut and have a plexiglass cover over them. They are going to hang on a wall with lights. They have cost \$1050.00 so far. We are also requesting memorabilia that can be mounted, also the plaques received for the Showcase of Ideas being shown at National Convention. These will all be mounted on one wall.

Motion made that \$900.00 be loaned to the Hall of Fame Committee. Motion seconded, motion passed. This is to be brought up to the Coordinating Committee and Callers and Cuers will be appraised of the loan.

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

a. Insurance Committee: Mori Sogolow's committee makes no recommendations at this time.

b. Showcase of Ideas - Hugh Fultz: Showcase of Ideas, all material



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to go to National Convention should be available by the May meeting. It should be the responsibility of each Association President to make arrangements to have their own material transported to the Convention. Also, the President of each Association should provide the names of six couples to work with Hugh and Jean at the display tables at the Convention. This information should be given to Hugh and Jean at the May meeting. It was also suggested that the President of the Callers Association and Round Dance Council be contacted to see if they would make some contribution to the Showcase. Arrangements are being made to reserve our tables at the National.

Requirements to Hall of Fame

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

a. George Warren - Jacksonville - would like to propose a President's Charity Fund. The two most promising at the time appear to be the Ronald McDonald House and the new Crippled Children's Hospital now being built in Tampa by the Shriners. It is something I think we could think about between now and the May meeting.

b. Boots Oglesby suggested that the committee assignments be sent out prior to the working weekend. That way a delegate could bring relevant information with him.

c. Chet Vetter made the suggestion that the President of the Round Dance Council and the Florida Callers Association be notified well in advance of our meetings so they can assign someone to attend.

d. Walter Stoltz suggested that the proceeds and accomplishments be publicized throughout the state, so the average dancer knows what we are doing. The President plans to send summaries to the Bow and Swing.

e. Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 12:40 p.m.





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Dear Fellow Delegate;

The next meeting of the Florida Federation will be on Sunday May 29, 1983 at 9:30 AM in Hall B, Lakeland Civic Center.

We have the following changes in Delegates or addresses:

NORTHEAST

Bob & Sara Hare--985 Miracle Way Rockledge, Fl. 32955  
Phone 305-632-5217

Dave & Pat Willoughby--7654 River Ave., Green Cove Springs  
(ALT) Phone 904-284-4543 32043

CENTRAL

Bob & Carol Woodward--432 Alexander Ave. Deltona 32725  
Phone 305-574-4518

Ray & Barbara Holt--5248 Tangerine Ave. Orlando 32807  
Phone 305-677-4133

Southeast

George & Angie Mason--412 Lawn Acre Court.--Hollywood 33023  
Phone 305-989-2311

CENTRAL

Emery Johnson should be EMORY Johnson

Add to the bottom of the list of premanent delegates

NON VOTING

74-75 Birdell Levitt 390 W. 54 St., Hialeah, 33012  
Phone 305-823-1891

Please note that orientation of new delegates will be conducted in the meeting hall at 9:00AM, just prior to the regular meeting. Also, copies of the Association reports & publication reports will be available at the meeting. Please bring pertinent information on deadlines, cost of ads, etc. from area publications to be inserted in the notebooks ( you will need to provide at least 50 copies).

Let's all get behind Howard & Vee and their committee to make this the best ever.

We'll dance with THEE in '83!

Respectfully submitted

*Fred & Celeste Crawford*  
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Secretary

Please correct zip code for Pres. John & Esther Layne--32792