

**MINUTES OF  
FLORIDA FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCERS MEETING  
FEBRUARY 29, 2004 - LAKELAND, FLORIDA**

The meeting was called to order, at 9:00am by President Shirley Cornett. Mary Stewart gave the invocation and Shirley led the delegates in the Pledge of Allegiance. Jack McKinney called the roll and stated a quorum was in attendance.

Don Slocum thanked everyone for attending the dance Saturday night.

FINANCE: See attached. Sue Brown made a motion that the Federation assume the \$175 cost of the website lease. Seconded by Ken Brown (Southeast). The motion, passed. Sue also made a motion that the proposed budget for 2004 be accepted. Seconded by Don Slocum. The motion, passed. George Knapp reported that after the committee meeting he and Jack Hoffman audited the Treasurer's books and they were found to be in order.

STATE CONVENTION PROCEDURES: See attached

SHOWCASE OF IDEAS: See attached

HISTORY: See attached

SQUARE DANCE PRESERVATION, EDUCATION, & PUBLICITY: See attached. Ken Brasfield made a motion to continue the Extra Mile Award, with the Federation appointing a committee to decide on the criteria and procedures to be followed. Seconded by Don Slocum. The motion, passed. Fred Cornett stated that Publications will become a part of this Committee. Ken made a motion that the Federation discontinue the Welcome Stations and provide each association with \$100 to print tri-folds with information about their area. Seconded by Jack Hoffman. The motion, passed. Fred stated that the President's meeting would become a part of the break-out meetings. Ken made a motion that the square dance handbooks be discontinued and utilize the USDA pamphlets and the internet. Seconded by Tom Brown. The motion, passed.

USDA INSURANCE: See attached

FLORIDA DRESS: See attached. Barbara Hoffman made a motion that the Federation appropriate \$33.57 for the poster board and approximately \$450 for the 150 Florida logos and the Federation will give each person that makes a dress a logo. Seconded by Pee Wee Stewart. The motion, passed. The men's tie will be half blue and half green.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

Don Slocum announced that they will be going to Calgary in July and if anyone has pamphlets or flyers they want to send he and Ann will be glad to take them.

Randy Poole was advised to give away at the National Convention any old Florida logos that he has in his possession.

Shirley announced the next meeting will be in Lakeland May 30 at 9:00am in the Hollingsworth Room, Hall A.

Shirley announced that every motion passed unanimously!

George Knapp made a motion to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Jim McConnaha.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack & Kathy McKinney, Secretary

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCERS

TREASURER'S REPORT

February 29, 2004 - May 29, 2004

**Beginning Balance - All Accounts**

Wachovia Checking Balance	\$	
Contingency		
Insurance		
<b>Total All Accounts</b>	<u>\$</u>	

Checking Account Balance		\$
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**Receipts**

2004 Association Dues (Florida Clogging Council, Inc.)		
Wachovia Interest (02/01/04 - 05/29/04)		
	<u>\$</u>	\$

**Disbursements**

Barbara Hoffman - Reproduction Dress Pattern		
Zonie Taylor - Historian Supplies		
Badges Galore - Badges and Bars		
Florida Department of State - Annual Corporation Dues		
Barbara Hoffman - Emblem for State Dress		
C.F.S.R.D.A. - Website Reimbursement		
N.E.F.S.R.D.A. - Website Reimbursement		
W.C.S.R.D.A. - Website Reimbursement		
President - Fred Cornett - Copying Service		
Secretarial Expenses - Kathy McKinney		
Kathy McKinney - Gift - Hall of Fame Committee Chairman		
	<u>\$</u>	\$
Checking Account Balance 05/29/04		\$

**Ending Balance - All Accounts**

Wachovia Checking Balance		
Contingency		
Insurance		
<b>Total All Accounts</b>	<u>\$</u>	

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ken and Sue Brown, Treasurer

Date: February 29, 2004

Submitted to: The Florida Federation of Square and Round Dancers  
Submitted by: Ken and Sue Brown, Finance Committee Chairman  
Subject: 2004 Budget

The Finance Committee met at 1:30 PM in room #114. Those present included:

Jan Smith      Jack Hoffman      Dee Dee Stoval  
Jack McKinney      George Knapp      Ed Henning  
Ken & Sue Brown Chairman

The Proposed Budget for the year 2004 will follow.

The committee felt at this time it would be advisable for the Federation to assume the \$175 cost of the website releasing the associations from the \$35 charge for maintenance. This would include a return of funds paid by the Associations, for 2004 web page service thus far. This would effect 2 Associations at this time. The proposed budget reflects this expense.

An audit committee was appointed by the Chair. This committee was composed of: George Knapp and Jack Hoffman who remained following the adjournment of the Finance Committee at 2:30 PM.

We wish to thank all those for their help and guidance in preparing the 2004 Budget.

We call upon George Knapp for the results of the Audit.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ken and Sue Brown. Treasurer

**FLORIDA FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCERS  
2004 Proposed Budget**

**INCOME**

Association Dues (7 Associations @ \$50)	\$
State Convention	
USDA Credit Program	
Interest	

**TOTAL INCOME**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPENSES**

President	\$
Vice President	
Secretary	
Treasurer	
Parliamentarian	
Showcase	
Welcome Station	
BMI	
USDA	
Historian	
Corporate Taxes	
Honorariums	
Website Maintenance	
Miscellaneous	

**TOTAL EXPENSES**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

## CONVENTION PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

This committee met in the main meeting room at the Best Western Diplomat at 1:30 PM.

The following committee members were in attendance:

Garland & Carole McKenzie

Stan Hockman

Jim & Jan McConnaha

Bud & Anita Taylor

PeeWee Stewart

Jane Raymond

Dona & Ann Slocum

Fred Smith

Bob Courter

Paul Miller

Colleen Morgan

Since the Convention Guidelines Review Committee was formed there were no specific additional concerns for our committee to address so we chose to cover a few of the proposed changes.

Vendors were discussed regarding the proposed changes. Some committee members voiced concerns about removing the restrictions on the number of vendors specifically "Full Service Vendors". There were concerns that if the vendor didn't make a profit they might not come back. We are here to make the convention a fun event for the dancers and what to the dancers like to do best..... Dance, Shop and Eat (not necessarily in that order). The vendors will improve their product if they want to compete and be profitable. We are not here to guarantee each vendor a profit. We offer them an opportunity to display their product. If they have products the dancers want, the dancers will buy.

We asked the committee people to not discuss the proposed changes outside the meeting, as nothing is definite until the changes are finalized and approved by each of the 3 organizations involved. (We ask the readers of these minutes to do the same.)

Anyone that has additional suggestions regarding any changes that need to be made in the procedures are asked to put them in writing and send them to Fred & Shirley Cornett. They will forward them to all committee members to determine their worthiness for inclusion in the final package.

SHOWCASE OF IDEAS  
COMMITTEE REPORT  
February 28, 2004

The showcase of Ideas committee met in the ARGOS room at 1:30. Committee chairman was Randy Poole and committee members:

Jerri Hockman	Southeast
Shirley White, Martha Hardcastle, Bessie Stovall, Smitty Smith, Frank & Barbara Meyer	
Northeast	
Mary Stewart	Central
Sandy Brasfield	Westcoast
Cheryl Miller	Northwest

It was decided that each association would purchase a 36 X 48 inch black tri-fold display board. (cost approx. \$10) The left fold would contain Photos (with captions) or other items that would depict COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES by the association. ie. Nursing home visits, running/marching for donations, fun raisers.

The right fold would contain photos (with captions) or brochures that depict REASONS TO VISIT ASSOCIATION AREA. ie. Area attractions, Things to see, Things to do, Historical sites. And Points of interest. The center fold will be for THINGS FOR THE DANCERS AND ABOUT THE ASSOCIATIONS. ie. Where to dance, up coming festivals, club locations.

Each Association Logo (badge) has been painted on a 12 x 12 poster board by George Knapp. The logo will be placed on top and in the center of each display.

Other items from the association or association area can be displayed in front of each display.

Above the association displays will be the Great Seal of Florida with a banner that reads "Florida Federations of Square Dancers".

Giveaways: The Florida Citrus Commission has donated 4,000 refrigerator magnets. Each magnet depicts a grapefruit half cut in the shape of a heart. We also have about 200 fans left from last year and a box of Florida maps that we will give away.

I will be requesting three 8' tables for the associations and history displays.

I gave the association schedule to man the showcase in Denver to one member of each association.

It may be hard for you to picture what I said but the committee understood it or was too nice to say anything.

Randy Poole Chairman

## USDA INSURANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Insurance Committee met in room 132 of the Best Western Motel in Lakeland, FL on Saturday, February 28, 2004. Those in attendance were:

Bruce Morgan – Chairman  
Carol Poole – Central  
Penny Green – West Coast & Singles  
Su Brown – Southeast  
Dave & Shirley Nihart – Northeast  
Bob Raymond – Northeast

The chief purpose of the workshop was to bring before those participating an “outline” of the workings of the USDA Insurance Program. Also, to assist those participating with any and all problems experienced and/or anticipated relative to the proper conduct of the Florida Federation Insurance Program.

An opportunity was offered to discuss and clarify any problems arising from the daily operations.

During the workshop the Insurance accounts were audited and found to be accurate and in order by Su Brown.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce and Colleen Morgan  
FFSD Insurance Chairpersons

## Dress Committee February 29, 2004

Barbara Hoffman, Chairman

Terri Little

Sandy Brasfield

Shirley Knapp

Ailene Picheco

Judy Frye

Eivor Brown

Mary Stewart

Jerri Hockman

- Model dress
- All master patterns have been cut and sorted and are ready to be distributed to each Association. Each Association will be given 10 sheets of cutting and sewing instructions and one complete set of patterns (9 sizes – 8 through 24)
- The poster board used for the master patterns was purchased at Office Depot for \$33.57. The Committee requests that the Federation absorb this expense.
- The Florida State logo for the skirt can be obtained for approximately \$3.00 each. The Committee recommends we order 150 logos and request the federation to pay for them. Each Association will then sell logos in their area and reimburse the Federation.
- The Committee would like to see everyone attending the National Convention in Denver in our new state outfit. All dancers will be allowed to be in the Parade of States and it would be nice to have a good showing.
- MOTION: The Committee moves that the Federation appropriate the following funds:
  - \$33.57 for poster board
  - Approximately \$450.00 for the logos, which the Federation will give to the ladies when they make a state dress.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Hoffman, Chairman



## HISTORY REPORT

Present at the meeting were: Manny & Sherry Gonzales and Joe Hardcastle.

Zonie Taylor developed a minor medical situation at the last minute and could not attend.

The meeting was well represented by the Northeast Association. President Fred and Shirley Cornett honored us with their visit.

Jack and Zonie Taylor will continue with the committee through October 2004. In the meantime they will mentor Manny & Sherry Gonzales on the Historian responsibilities. The Historian books, archives and other historical documents will be transferred gradually through October of this year.

We are charging the Presidents of each association or an appointee thereof responsible for forwarding association pictures to the Historian.

Pictures must have captions that include the date of the event, name of the event and the names of individuals in the picture.

The History Books are your history. You need to support this endeavor because it is with these historical documents that you will be leaving your legacy.

Respectfully submitted,  
Manny & Sherry Gonzales

# The Extra Mile Award

## **Purpose of Award:**

To show appreciation to both Caller's and Cuer's who go beyond the norm in giving freely of their time and talents to the square dance activity

## **Criteria For Award:**

Any caller or cuer who is a member of the Florida Callers Association or the Round Dance Council of Florida.

## **Procedure For Nomination:**

1) The board of the Florida Federation shall be the selection committee, with current president as chairman of same. New members coming on will replace one going off.

2) Any dancer may submit a name of a caller/cuer to the selection committee prior to February 1st of the year in which the nominee is to be selected. The choice should include a brief autobiographical sketch and at least (3) three events at which the caller/cuer has demonstrated his or hers contribution to the square dance activity.

3) The selection committee to meet during the February working weekend to review the nominee/nominee's and arrive at a final decision

## **Procedure For Presenting Award/Awards:**

1) The award/awards should be presented at the following Florida State Square and Round dance Convention by the current president of the Florida Federation.

2) The award/awards presented shall be a framed document and a "Extra Mile Award Recipient" bar or dangle.