MINUTES FINEST CITY SQUARES BOARD MEETING MAY 13, 2008

PRESENT

Richard Bass, President
Jim Blair, Co-Vice President
Mike Neiheisel, Treasurer
Diana Barrows, Secretary
Bill Grimm, Newsletter Co-Editor
Jason M., Class Representative
Santo A., guest

ABSENT

Terri O'Barski, Assistant Treasurer David Spence, Co-Vice President Dana Hooper, Caller Coordinator David Goodsell, Newsletter Co-Editor

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. A quorum was present. The minutes of the April 2008 meeting were approved.

Mike N. gave the financial report. We lost \$69 at the monthly party dance; we gained \$361 overall for the month of April. The non-profit tax status papers have been filed with the IRS. There was a one-time \$300 filing fee. We should hear from them in 5-6 weeks. Mike warned us that next month there will be some large expenses (the Pride parade and booth fees; the IRS filing fee). The Peterson fund paperwork requesting reimbursement (~\$1000) from IAGSDC has been submitted.

Richard had no President's Report.

Our delegate to the IAGSDC board meeting, Santo A., asked for guidance on how to vote on the issue of the location for the 2012 convention. The options are Vancouver and Phoenix. Discussion ensued. Santo or Jim will e-mail the information to all board members, so they may review it over the next month. The board will vote on the location at the next board meeting and enjoin Santo accordingly.

There was no SDSDA meeting last month; hence, no report.

Club visitations: no visitations are currently scheduled.

New banner: Jim B. gave the banner to Diana B to finish the beading of the letters and to sew on a backing. It should be completed within a week.

Fly-in update: Jim B. reported that 71 people have paid thus far. One free admission was given out at the Stumptown Stomp last month. Flyers have been distributed thru the IAGSDC.

Student graduation: There are about 5 plus calls left to learn, which Jason assures can be done before June 14. Therefore, the graduation is ON. Each student needs to give Richard the correct spelling of his name for the diploma; Richard will ask Brad to make the diplomas again. Students also need to give Mike N. the exact name they want on

their badge, so he can place the badge order soon. We discussed two Foggy City transplants to San Diego who dance at Mainstream level. They can join the club, but would rarely dance, since we don't do mainstream tips. Richard might offer them plus lessons over the summer; we will make them a DVD copy of the Plus video.

San Diego Pride: we have opted for a booth with electricity to 8pm. Richard B. needs to order the square dance display from IAGSDC. Mike N. has put the request in to SDSDA to use their float for the parade.

Items from the floor

- ➤ There will be no special "silver" theme at the upcoming 25th (silver anniversary) convention. Therefore, the club will not have members bring/wear their silver vests
- ➤ Jim B. has been storing the FCS archives at his home and requests someone else take them. Mike N. has room in his garage. Scanning items and putting them on CD's was discussed. Diana B. and Bill G. might be able to do this.
- Member Bob S. had asked if we could change our party dance from the second Saturday because it conflicts with several straight clubs' dances. We have caller contracts for 2 years. Also, the board feels there is very little attendance from the straight community to our dance. The board voted to maintain our party dance on the second Saturdays.
- ➤ Member Mike K. had asked Richard about the possibility of a gay Advanced class. At this time, there is no possibility of such a class.
- ➤ Richard B. discussed giving the second Saturday callers \$50.00 more than their contracted amount as a gasoline stipend. The board members agreed.
- ➤ Richard B. reminded all that we have "greeting duty" at the 3rd Saturday Round-Up this Saturday and requested volunteers.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at the Old Mill Restaurant.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Barrows, secretary May 13, 2008