

MINUTES
FINEST CITY SQUARES BOARD MEETING
July 10, 2007

PRESENT

Richard Bass, President
Mike Neiheisel, Treasurer
Terri O'Barski, Assistant Treasurer
Diana Barrows, Secretary
Bill Grimm, Newsletter Co-Editor
David Goodsell, Newsletter Co-Editor

ABSENT

Jim Blair, Co-Vice President
David Spence, Co-Vice President
John Griffin, Class Representative
Dana Hooper, Caller Coordinator

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

Mike N. gave the financial report. The dances are \$19.01 ahead. For the month, we are \$105.01 ahead. We can expect added expenses in July for Pride. Mike N. needs to apply to the Petersen fund for reimbursement of last year's pride expenses. (The Petersen fund will help defray the costs of promoting square dancing.)

Richard B. gave the President's report:

- Website gallery has been updated. Richard has received many positive comments. The convention photo will be up soon.
- FCS directory: Richard brought two samples. The board preferred the big format (8 ½" x 11") They will be ready in a week or so. Richard will print and collate them. The club will reimburse him the cost of color cartridges and paper.
- Questionnaire results were distributed. The results were discussed, particularly the possibility of FCS dancing another night during the week, and dancing at advanced level on that night.

Other Business

- SDSDA Meeting. Richard gave the report. In August we have decoration duty for round-up. David S is planning decorations. The theme is "Fruits of the Summer." 2008 room assignments were distributed.
- Club visitations
 1. No update from David and Jim regarding Tinseltown visitation
 2. We will plan a "banner raid" to Single Spinners on a Tuesday in September.
 3. Circulators is coming to our August party dance to steal back their banner. Good food was promised, so all FCS members are encouraged to bring a special/delicious dish to share.
- New banner for pride: no report from Jim B as to whether the banner is ready or not.
- Graduation Dance: The dance will be free for everyone, thanks to a generous donation from Thorpe. Brad OB will do the certificates. Richard B will get a carrot cake at Costco which says "Congratulations Graduates." David G will be the substitute photographer for the evening. John G. and the students will decorate. We will plan a "no hands" initiation dance for the new graduates.

- Pride Festival: Richard ordered 2 kinds of beads from Beads by the Dozen. He will bring them to Wednesday and Saturday dances so we can staple on the ad strips. Board members are asked to bring their staplers to these dances. Bill G. ordered square dance “business cards” which advertise our new class in September. Our booth location was pointed out on a map. Richard B. is organizing sign-ups for booth coverage. We are looking into the possibility of an “Introduction to Square Dancing” on the Country-Western dance floor.
- Pride Parade: Mike N. gave the report. We have the float (from SDSDA) and a truck to pull it (from Mike Gavin.) Decorations have been ordered; they must be fire-retardant. No balloons are allowed. Mike N. will find out caller Andy’s electrical needs. We don’t know our number/place in the parade yet. We need dancers on the float, and people to help decorate it.
- Community recruitment: Jim B. did not leave a report. Pride is our main recruitment. Richard B. will have sign-up sheets at the booth.
- Badge overlays: Richard B. showed two sample bars which have “Finest City Squares San Diego” engraved on them. The board preferred the bar with rounded edges. These will be glued over the worn lettering of members’ badges if needed. Richard will find out the minimum order/price break information.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Barrows, M.D., Secretary July 10, 2007