San Diego's Finest City Squares 23 February 2017 Board Meeting

Location: Al Ouellett's home

Meeting Minutes

Present	Absent
Larry Sopher, President	Ken Valdez, Pass the Sea Chairperson
Al Ouellett, Vice President	Ed Jackson, Co-Caller Coordinator
Kay Jackson, Co-Caller Coordinator	Tami Allemão, Treasurer
Robert Swee	
Randy	

- I. Meeting called to order 6:47 pm.
- II. Kay moved, Robert seconded, that the minutes of the December meeting be accepted; passed.
- III. Financial report: Treasurer Tami Allemão circulated it earlier in the day.
 - 1. \$325 in for anniversary dance; total for all sources 1614.87 expenses 1127.67 (1 Jan-23 Feb 2017) current balance 8583.58.
 - 2. Still need to pay insurance and 2 months (Jan/Feb) to Andy Allemão; delay is due just to wait to get checks from US Bank; Wells Fargo account closed because of that bank's shady recent history.
 - 3. Al moved, Kay seconded, that treasurer's report be accepted; passed unanimously.

IV. Caller's report (Kay):

- 1. Romney Tannehill will call 2018 anniversary dance (2nd Saturday of January). For afternoon session, he will be paid 50% of the receipts for that period. Robert emphasizes that to get turnout for our anniversary dance from other clubs we need to show up at the straight clubs' dances, at least in Nov/Dec.
- 2. Upcoming are 3 successive weeks of other clubs' anniversary dances..... All are in the Balboa Park Club or Recital Hall in Balboa Park.
- 3. No absences for Andy anticipated over next several weeks, but he may be sent on a business trip on short notice.
- V. San Diego Square Dance Association report (Robert):

- 1. Jan meeting canceled because of weather; next meeting in March. We are asked to serve breakfast for Fiesta de la Cuadrilla on 4 November. Last year, number of attendees asking for breakfast exceeded supply, so we need to increase supply this year. Brunch will be in Recital Hall instead of Balboa Park Club.
- 2. We are scheduled to serve refreshments on 20 May and provide decorations on 21 Oct for Third Saturday Roundup.
- VI. No Pass the Sea report; no Pass the Sea this year.

VII. Old Business

- 1. Randy will send flyers for party nights and anniversary dances to Al for website and to Ed and Kay for circulation via e-mail.
- 2. Heritage Dancers will come to our party night to promote their anniversary dance.
- 3. Robert emphasizes that all San Diego clubs are accepting of gay Finest City members. Any problems are due only to straight dancers' unfamiliarity with people dancing in other than their standard sex roles. Single Spinners may be an exception because of the low level at which they dance. Any difficulty or awkwardness in dancing at straight clubs should be reported to Robert.

VIII. New Business

- 1. Special meeting: Magic Squares has withdrawn its request to join Finest City. The request was prompted by its lack of a federal 501 C7 certification for the Poway Unified School District. Magic Squares has now applied for the certificate. Now they want just to use the War Memorial Building on our nights until their certificate arrives. They would dance in a room in the War Memorial Building on the third Wednesday in March, April, and May as a C1 workshop sponsored by Finest City Squares (most are Finest City members). They expect that the certificate will be received by June. But they would prefer to return to their usual Monday night schedule rather than to fuse with us, dancing on Wednesdays indefinitely.
- 2. Randy moves, and Kay seconds, that we allow Richard Bass's C1 class and associated dancers to dance with us in a side room at the War Memorial Building on the third Wednesday of each month through summer 2017. If an extension is desired, we can consider it at that time. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Now that the mainstream class has concluded, website should be updated to specify that we are now offering a plus-level class.
- 4. The schedule of Finest City classes that Rachelle Catt circulates to an e-mail list is incorrect; Randy will contact her will try to get the info corrected. Info on SDSA website about Finest City also needs correction.

Next board meeting scheduled: 20 April 2017, 6:30 PM, Al Ouellett's house.

Meeting adjourned: 8:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Philip Unitt on 18 April 2017