

Metro Square and Round Dance Association

Minutes of Annual General Meeting, Sunday, 2 October 2011

Sackville Heights Community Centre, 7 pm

Attendees:

Don & Carol Scott	Chairman, Central Region Reps
Dottie Welch	Secretary, Metro Matters Editor, Sail Sets
Russ and Mary Trimper	Publicity, Stardusters
Bob & Inge Ruohoniemi	National Society
Barry Bendle	Treasurer

Regrets:

Mary Sargeant Lake City Swingers, Coordinators

1-3. Welcome, Agenda and Minutes:

1. Welcome: Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Don Scott
Hope you didn't get too wet from the rain of Hurricane Ophelia.
2. Adoption of the Agenda:
Motion to approve as circulated by Barry, 2nd Russ, passed.
3. Minutes of 17 July 2011 Meeting
Motion to approve as circulated by Dottie, 2nd Russ, passed.

4. Business Arising from Minutes:

a) **50+ Expo people expressing interest in an afternoon event:**

> Three couples asked to be contacted regarding community dance sessions in the Metro Area. Dottie will contact the three couples to pass along our current dancing options.

Timberlea: Monday, 8-10, Lakeside Firehall, Timberlea

Stardusters: Class would start at 7 on Thursday, S. Woodside (none currently)

Fun Squares: Haven't started yet, Saturday at 8 (mixed with club), St. Luke's

Lake City: 7:30 Thursday at N. Woodside CC

Parkland: First and Third, Wednesday afternoons 2-3:30, Parkland at the Lakes, 82 Baker Drive, Dartmouth

Contras: Beginners always welcome, St. Peter's Anglican Church, 8-10:30 pm, (Church is on the corner of Kearney Lake Road and Bedford Highway)

Dances scheduled for October 1 & 22, November 12, and December 3, 2011

b) Breakfast TV has not responded to Russell's inquiries. He has been directed to contact Jody Jessome <jody.jessome@bellmedia.ca>.

> c) Christmas Daddies: They want a CD showing our proposed presentation. Suggest we take some video this Christmas for future use.

5. Correspondence:

a) Joint Stocks annual fee of \$28.59 paid by Dottie for due date September 30th. Financial Statement still must be submitted as well as changes in Directors.

b) 50 Plus Expo sent a note of thanks for participating.

c) Dress in Time store is interested in second hand "Western Attire" and crinolines. Located at 5670 Spring Garden Road (corner of Benton Street). Contact is Jane Noble, 440-2544 (cell)

- Teen-age dancers 19 years or younger receive free Society membership. Clubs must list the number of these teen dancers so that Society membership cards can be provided.
- Federations/Associations/Festivals/Clubs/Leaders must submit their current NS Federation membership forms and monies by the NS due date of 31 October each year.
- It has been re-emphasized that if dancers see errors or changes required on the Society webpage, www.squaredance.ca they should be reported to the Provincial Directors.
- The Society call-in number 1-866-206-6696 is being answered by a dancer in BC. She relies on the Society webpage to provide the information to answer questions coming to her. NS clubs are encouraged to include the 1-866-206-6696 number in their advertising.
- Four Long Service Awards were presented to leaders and dancers.
- The Society has a very attractive lapel pin for sale (\$3). Contact the NS Directors.
- The CSRDS has awarded 17 Bursaries to Callers/Cuers attending Schools in 2011, including 3 from NS. Funding was also provided to one Caller school.
- The next National Festival - Festival 2014 in Ottawa is hoping to attract 2000 dancers. Four hotels are offering convention rates from \$129 to \$199. Newsletter #2 is available.
- The Society has initiated a fund-raiser for the square dance victims of Jap's Earthquake/Tsunami disasters. Canadian dancers/clubs/associations/federations are asked to donate up to the end of this year. Cathy Langille has volunteered to process the funds. Each NS club should have received a flyer explaining the appeal. To date, NS has donated \$1300.
- The Society Board will be holding AGM 2011 in Montreal on 22 October.
- Society is considering a badge to show which provinces a dancer has danced in.
- Newfoundland square dancing now is only to records in St. John's.

7. Club Reports

- a) **Coordinators**, Dottie: Started last week with about 6 couples out.
- b) **Lake City Swingers**, Dottie: Two new single ladies attended our first Open House on Sept. 29th. Additional Open Houses on Oct. 6th and 13th.
- c) **Fun Squares**: Starting on October 8th we think.
- d) **MMM / Ocean Waves**: Now a caller run club (Mark Savage). The notice of this meeting was sent to Laurie Naugler as Treasurer.
- d) **Harmony Squares**: Plus on Sunday afternoons, 2-4 at N. Woodside, Kerry calling
- e) **Tidal Waves**: Have started dancing again, dancing at Bloomfield.
- f) **Sail Sets**, Dottie: Started last week at Grosvenor Wentworth Park School.
- g) **Stardusters**, Russ & Mary: Started the first week of September followed by 3 open houses. Some attendees but so far no returnees on Open House. Younger dancers not yet back, and class couple have resigned. Dancing about 3 squares.
- h) **Timberlea Twirlers**, Barry: Third night tomorrow, new lady age 82 planning to come.
- i) **Dancing Shadows**, Dottie: Not dancing yet, Gary still regaining strength and stamina.
- j) **Fun Time Rounds**: Started up at Bloomfield, Wednesdays, multi-level evening from 7 - 10 (7-8 class, 8-9 phase II, 9-10 phase III).
- k) **Contra Time Dancers**, Dottie: First dance last night at St. Peter's (18 dancers present).

8. Old Business

- a) **Summer Dancing**: (10 Weeks: June 2 - August 4 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian)

Income:		Expenses:	
Door Receipts:	\$828.00	Callers & Cuers:	\$340.00
50/50 Share:	50.75	Hall Rental:	\$300.00
Donations (clothing)	48.00	Ice & Candy:	\$ 37.63
Total Income	\$926.75	Total Expenses	\$677.63

Profit from Summer Dancing 2011: \$249.12

Recommendation that we dance from 8-10 pm next summer.

Scotts have 3 tote boxes of clothing. Suggest that most of it should go to the second hand shop mentioned earlier or other charity since the items are too small for most current dancers.

Lionel Crowe cued at several of the dances. Mary Sargeant was a loyal attendee who helped with the door duties several times.

9. Election of Officers

Moved by Carol that all the officers retain their current positions. Second by Bob Ruohoniemi, passed.

Chaircouple & Central Region Representatives: Don and Carol Scott
Secretary & Metro Matters Editor: Dottie Welch
Treasurer: Barry and Dyanna Bendle
Publicity: Russ and Mary Trimper

10. Current and New Business

a) New Year's Eve, Saturday, 31 December 2011

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Charge \$10 per person, Metro to subsidize the dance if necessary.

> Caller: Ask Kerry if he is interested in calling for \$100. (Don to ask)

Cuer: Ask Lionel Crowe if he will cue.

(After Note: Neither available, so Dottie will call and cue.)

b) Heart Fund Dance

> Attempt to book Friday, Feb 24th, if N. Woodside is available, and no conflict with the Valley Heart Dance.

(After Note: N. Woodside not available so booked Feb 25th.)

C) Registry of Joint Stocks Annual Update:

> Payment done. Still must submit the Financial Statement.

> Remove Bernard and Betty Conrad as Directors.

11. Updates to Special Dance Schedule:

Oct 15, 2011	SRDFNS AGM and Lake City Swingers Swing Into Fall
Nov 4-5, 2011	Maritime Square & Round Dance Convention, Charlottetown, PEI
Dec 31, 2011	Metro New Year's Eve Potluck and Dance
Feb 25, 2012	Metro Heart Dance
Apr 16, 2012	Timberlea Twirlers 50-60's Dance
May 4, 2012	Coordinators Sail Into Summer (Friday and 1 week earlier)
May 10, 2012	Starduster's Pie Night Fund Raiser
May 17, 2012	Dice Hill Squares Mulberry Dance

12. Date and Location of next meeting:

AGM, Sunday, December 4, 2011, 7 pm, Sackville Heights Community Centre

13. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn, Russ, 9:05

Respectfully Submitted,
Dottie Welch, Metro Secretary