

FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, SOUTH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES, CERRITOS, CA

June 11, 2017

Meeting called to order at 11:58am

Vice President's report: accepted & approved

Accepting dates for festivals;

Cerritos Folk Dancers date for Chinese New Year Festival & workshop will be 2/11/18,

Winterfest in Pasadena will be 3rd week in Jan. 2018.

Lagunafest will be in March 2018, exact date TBD.

ALL Festival dates approved

Pauline brought up expanding public participation in Folk Dancing. Shana planned on visiting member clubs throughout the year to get their input.

VP proposed having meeting location in San Diego area in the fall to encourage participation in Federation. The President's Ball meeting in Somis (beautiful Grange Hall off route 118, outside of Oxnard) gave northern groups a chance to attend as well. Exact date for next meeting TBD.

Treasurers report submitted in writing: (in absentia) Rick Bingle has supported the Federation for twelve years but is set to enjoy a much deserved break.

Azar Asgari will assume new duties when she returns in mid August.

Rick submitted government reports for fiscal year 2016/17 in July and will continue to act as treasurer until August, so bills an be sent to him for the time being.

Note that \$5,000.00 was moved from savings to checking to cover bills that should have been charged out of savings. All the bills were not yet in on Statewide at the time of this report.

Discussion of use of special funds donated by individuals continued. Marshall Cates or Rick Bingle may know if the donations came with restrictions on how money was to be distributed or used on scholarships, camps or workshops or general promotion of folk dance. General opinion seemed to support using the funds as directed when they were received. The record of those directions is probably somewhere in the files.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of last meeting approved.

President's report: Review of Statewide. Planning/preplanning process questioned. Ann Armstrong wanted more communication between committees and Shana agreed. Shana also wanted clarification on how workshop teachers were chosen. Popularity, availability, price should not be only determining factors. Statewide dancers may want workshops featuring dances not generally available in their metropolitan areas. The council members had overall good feelings about the workshops; the venue was central to many groups, but the traffic from OC was very bad. Holding Statewide the week before or after Memorial Day would offer less traffic, lower hotel rates, possibly better availability of master teachers.

Publicity: Leslie Halberg reported all bills for Statewide had been submitted. Budget guidelines were vague, but totals for printing, mailing, advertising were under \$500.00

Historian: Photos of Statewide were emailed, posted on website

Standing committees: Beverly Barr: Camp Hess Kramer is set Oct. 20-22, 2017

Sargent at Arms: quorum attained

Discussion of Special Projects, Memorial Funds included using some money for Master teachers for local clubs. Terms can include using Federation funds if the clubs open the workshops to the general dance community. Some suggestions: James Hudson, Ira Weisbud, Israel Yacovee, others are available. This resource should be publicized and clubs should be encouraged to use teachers to expand membership. Loui Tucker has been successful in coordinating with N.Cal groups and she is willing to advise on implementing outreach in our areas.

In Attendance:

Officers

President Shana Winokur
Vice President Pauline Klak
Secretary Leslie Halberg
Historian Wen-Li Chang
Sargent at Arms Eduard Klak

Standing Committees

Camp Hess Kramer Institute: Beverly & Irwin Barr
Insurance: Julith Neff

Delegates

Cerritos: Julith Neff
Laguna International Dancers: Marcella Lawson
Mountain Dancers: Sylvia Stachura
Pasadena FD Co-op: Ann Armstrong
Veselo Selo: Ed Klak
West LA: Irwin Barr
Westwood Co-op: Beverly Barr

Guests

Ed Geller
Richard Van Healy

Clubs eligible to vote at next meeting are: Cerritos, Laguna International, Mountain Dancers, Pasadena Coop, Veselo Selo, West L.A., Westwood Coop

Meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm. Date of next meeting shall be after Labor Day, but before Hess Kramer. Place may be in San Diego timed with a workshop/festival.

TREASURER's report attached to email