

**WEST VIRGINIA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE FEDERATION**  
Meeting Agenda

October 11, 2015  
Flatwoods, WV - Shoney's

**Roll Call**

Presidents- Jack & Paula Saurborn  
Vice Presidents- Vickie & Mike Lowther  
Secretaries- Stephanie Wilson & Connie Price  
Treasurers- Keith & Debbie Hadley  
Historians- Ruel & Patsy Elliott  
Convention Chairmen- Etta McCormick & Donnie May  
Webmasters- Lou & MJ Jeffries

Absent were: Vickie & Mike Lowther, Keith & Debbie Hadley, Donnie May, and Lou Jeffries

**Treasurers' Report** Submitted as a handout by the Hadleys: beginning balance was \$3,209.47; total disbursements were \$58.00; ending balance was \$3,151.47. License plate fund report balance was \$355.64. Etta reported a profit of \$881.53 from the convention which will be deposited soon. The report was accepted.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

Convention - Etta met with Teri Merrifield to review the facility statement. The lodging fee was \$2854, food service was \$2574.20, and facility fee was \$3000 totaling \$8428.20. Adding in the 6% dorm fee, the grand total was \$8599.44 for the use of the college in 2015. The use of the college for the next convention has been secured and Teri will be paying the deposit. Paula requested that Etta send an electronic copy of the convention financial report to Keith Hadley.

The registration form for the 2016 convention is ready and forms will be mailed in February to the 2015 convention attendees.

The ribbon color & design needs to be decided upon so that an order can be placed.

Etta shared her idea for decorations and is hopeful that the cost will be within \$200. Paula asked if decorations can be displayed beyond the main hall which will be done provided the budget can be maintained.

The placement of the caller's lounge upstairs was discussed and it was agreed upon that the better location would be back downstairs.

We need to provide more drinking water to a larger crowd in 2016.

The lack of meeting attendance by federation members was discussed and it was decided that the meeting time would be changed to the lunch break on Saturday. Etta will check on the cafeteria room availability.

MJ introduced an idea of having a lottery to draw a name for a paid weekend for callers/instructors as an incentive to participate. Plans are to give callers and instructors a ticket to enter them into the lottery. The motion to give \$100 to be used towards lodging or food was made & accepted.

We should provide more information about traditional dance or costume dress on Saturday night. Keep exhibitions for this night.

In the future share the main hall with other types of dancers.

The addition, line dancing is being considered for 2016.

It was discussed to change the parade to the inside of the main hall.

It was suggested, that on Saturday night, former callers and instructors who have died in the past year be remembered and also shorten introductions of callers and instructors.

Advertising- Placing information about our next convention in the USDA magazine, a quarterly publication was discussed. Calling, rather than emailing the information, will be done by the December 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

Etta suggested that we contact other state convention websites to get information out about our own event.

Registration - Teri needs an updated list of email addresses. Paula suggested going back two years to update the list and have one person in charge of it.

For mass mailing it was suggested to use black & white printouts of the registration form to be more cost effective. Teri offered to print out mailing labels for Kay Anders.

A motion was made & accepted to make June 1<sup>st</sup> as the deadline for instructors to register for the convention.

Website - MJ will work on updating the website himself putting in links for the clog, line, and round dancers. We need a list of inactive callers, cuers, and instructors.

A motion was passed that we temporarily suspend the duties of the district representatives. We will have to make an amendment to the by-laws to remove district representatives.

We need to update club contacts and possibly enlist Darlene for this job because registration is too time consuming.

MJ will be adding the confirmed cuers and instructors to the website.

The idea of a convention t-shirt for a fundraiser was brought up but no one present was for the proposal.

Our next Federation meeting is Sunday, May 1 at 3:00 p.m. at Shoney's in Flatwoods.