

Canadian Square and Round Dance Society

**Summary of the May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was "Called to Order" at 4:00 p.m. CDT by President, Alan Clays.

Twenty Board Members were on line for this meeting. Every province was represented.

The November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Board Meeting Minutes were accepted as circulated.

Discussion Arising from the Minutes were as follows:

A CSRDS Privacy Policy is now in place. It can now be viewed on the CSRDS web site.

A Notice of Motion was prepared for the upcoming Annual General Meeting to be held Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. There is an addition to Article 4.7: Board of Directors: The last line to read: **"A maximum number of two members may be nominated/elected from any provincial or territorial square and round dance federation, or such other areas as decided by the Board of Directors."**

A couple of alterations were made to the National Convention Guidelines Volume 2:

OPERATIONS

4.1: Programming:

Last sentence of the first paragraph: "No function or dance should be scheduled during the Opening or Closing Ceremonies." **Add the following:** "The Convention area Society Director and the host Convention will make arrangements that sufficient time be scheduled at both the Opening and the Closing Ceremonies suitable to meet the needs of the Society Board, and that a designated area be set aside at the Closing Ceremonies for the placement of Callers and Cuers in order they be recognized and acknowledged."

10.4: Society Luncheon:

Last sentence second paragraph: "It is organized by the host Convention and paid for by the Society, although other funding arrangements can be made, including attendees paying for their own meals." **Replace with the following:** "The Convention area Society Director and the host Convention will organize and approve the Society Luncheon menu, time, and place. Luncheon costs to be paid by the Society, although other funding arrangements can be made, including attendees paying for their own meals."

Teleconference Centre: A discussion arose regarding the Board purchasing a Teleconference Centre to be used at meetings when all the Board and/or Committee Members when all members are unable to attend the meeting in person. This item was TABLED for further discussion.

Perfect Convention Attendance Certificate: A sample certificate was circulated prior to our Board Meeting. Some changes were suggested. Martin was asked to prepare these special certificates to be presented at the convention in London, Ontario in July 2008.

Treasurer, Roy Church presented the financial statement and a draft budget for 2007 – 2008. The Closing Balance (as of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007) was \$4,751.26.

Committee Reports:

Membership/Insurance: Martin Mallard expressed his frustration at the incompleteness of some of the information that is required on the club information sheets. There was a concern that many dancers are not taking out membership. If they have no membership number then they are not protected with our Liability Insurance Coverage. More discussion will take place at our next meeting.

Publicity/Promotion: Marion Knight reported on the various types of advertising that is being done, such as, Magazine Ads, DVD Production, TV Commercials, CSRDS pin sales, ABC Dance Program and the National Square Dance Directory (which is now on the web). Marion asked the Board's permission to hold several teleconferences throughout the year (in spite of the higher cost of teleconference calls). Marion would prefer to hold the PR Teleconferences just before the CSRDS Board of Directors' Teleconference. The Board approved this request.

DVD (Dancing Keeps You Young): The Board of Directors' with the permission of the originator of this project, Lloyd Juhala, will be reformatting the DVD so that it can be used on Canadian provincial, association and club web sites. At this time, other countries will not be granted permission to use our DVD.

Special Donations, Endowment Fund: This fund remains at \$240.00.

Communications (Web, Toll Free Line): Marion Knight reported that Black Sum is now hosting all servers. The billing is done annually. There will be a slight increase in cost. Most Toll Free calls are being made during the summer months. There are various types of requests on the Toll Free line.

Professional Development: Chuck Jordan reported that there were eight applications forwarded so far this year. Requests have come in from Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Saskatchewan and British Columbia.

Honours and Awards: Gary Geldart prepared a brief history of the certificates.

Convention Co-ordinator: Norman Demeule reported that he had been in communication with the Saskatchewan Federation. There was a slight indication that a convention could be held in Saskatchewan in 2012. Norm will discuss this further with the Executive of the Saskatchewan Federation when we are in Saskatoon for the Annual General Meeting in October 2007.

Convention 2008: Bill and Bonnie Taylor reported that 880 dancers had registered as of May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The Delta Hotel is fully booked; and, the Hilton has 40 rooms left.

Convention 2010: Bob Ruohoniemi reported that 124 dancers had registered to date. These 124 dancers come from eight provinces and United States. Convention 2010 now has established a website.

The ARTS organization (a function of Callerlab) is not interested in having representation from Canada on their Board.

A new auditor will need to be approved at the October 2007 Annual General Meeting being held in Saskatoon, SK. The previously approved auditor had passed away in February.

Vancouver and District were given approval to use the CSRDS logo on their promotional items.

The Board of Directors have arranged their meetings (Saskatoon, SK) as follows:

Saturday, October 6, 2007	9:30 a.m.	Pre AGM Board Meeting
Saturday, October 6, 2007	1:30 p.m.	AGM
Saturday, October 6, 2007		A brief Board Meeting following the AGM

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. CDT.

This summary was prepared and distributed by CSRDS Secretary, Lorraine Kozera.