

ASDSC Board Meeting  
September 9, 2007 Minutes

President Mitchell Cari called the meeting to order at 1:07 PM, Raley's Event located at 1915 Douglas Blvd. Roseville, CA.

Board member in attendance:

President- Mitchell Cari, Vice-President- Morris Weisbart, Treasurer- Sue Regadanz, Jr. Past-President- Robert Kamuf, Historian- Carolyn Matthies, Membership- Larry Lauszus, Promotions- Jerry Little, District 2 Director- Charlie Truax, District 5 Director- Corky Bolin, District 7 Director- Carol Rhine, District 8 Director- Joe White and Harvest Hoedown Co-chair Bonnie Abramson.

Guests John Roloson, Suzanne Owens, and Christine and John Zell.

**President's report:** President Cari reported on the August state Council meeting and encouraged all Board members to help boost enthusiasm for the 2008 State Convention that will be in Sacramento.

**Secretary:** In Keron Weisbart's absence, the minutes of July 15, 2007 ASDSC Board meeting were presented by the president. Corky Bolin made a motion to accept the July minutes as presented, which was seconded by Carolyn Matthies. Motion passed.

**Treasurer:** Treasurer presented summaries of current financial status of the Association. Treasurer transferred \$5000.00 for our CD to the checkbook as authorized by the delegates to cover promotions expenses. Treasurer also presented a four-year summary of incomes and expenses related to promotions activities. Treasurer also reported that she had raffle tickets for the 2008 State Convention. Bonnie Abramson made a motion to accept treasurer's report. Joe White seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Vice-President:** Vice President Weisbart reported on the September 29, 2007 5th Saturday Night Dance is being sponsored by Districts 2, 3 and 4. Charlie Truax mentioned checking with the Orangevale Grange on the hours of rental for the dance to make sure we were covered for the introduction to square dancing session before the dance.

**Jr. Past President:** The Bylaws committee of Bonnie Abramson, Morrie Weisbart, Gene Booen and Bob Kamuf was asked to have their review of proposed Bylaws changes done by the December or October meetings if possible.

**Caller/Cuer Procurement:** In Steve Swanson's absence, Bonnie Abramson presented contracts for local callers and cuers to perform at Harvest Hoedown 2007 at the rate of \$25.00 per hour for Charlie Eskin, Dan Drumheller, Marie Hathaway, and Win Robinson. Joe White made a motion to approve these contracts. Morris Weisbart seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

Bonnie presented contracts for Fun Weekend 2008. Contracts were presented for Jet Roberts for \$400.00 for Saturday and Sunday, Hunter Keller \$100.00 for Friday night and Eric Henerlau

\$500.00 for Friday-Sunday. Bonnie Abramson Made a motion to approve these contracts. Larry Lauszus seconded the motion. Vice President Weisbart asked about a prohibition in ASDSC Bylaws against having a caller call at consecutive association festivals. Motion was passed. Bonnie made a motion if there is a section of our Bylaws which prohibits hiring a caller for consecutive festivals, that such section be set aside (suspended). No second was offered on this motion.

A subsequent search of Bylaws did not reveal a section prohibiting the hiring of a caller for consecutive association sponsored festivals.

**Historian:** Historian is to meet with President and prepare to update Association history. President and Historian are to choose a mutually acceptable date Prior to October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Membership:** Larry Lauszus has received one registration packet from Patchwork Squares. Mitchell Cari asked Larry to check on the registration packet for Starlite Shufflers. President asked District Directors to remind clubs to turn in their registration packets before October 31<sup>st</sup>.

**New dancer:** President Cari stated that he had found a caller and hall to host a communal dance class as had been directed by the delegates. Having no New Dancer Director has hindered this project.

**Promotions:** Jerry Little mentioned the "Twelve Banner Visitation project". The first dance is September 22 at Elk Grove Hoedowners. Bonnie Abramson discussed an idea to use ribbons and a one-day 'wear your dance clothes' event to promote square dancing. President discussed the waning interest Progressive squares. President Cari mentioned demonstrations dancing, which had occurred on Aug. 18, 22 and 25, and upcoming exhibitions on September 23 and 29<sup>th</sup>. He is looking for dancers to dance at these events. Bonnie Abramson asked about requesting some reimbursements from the organizations requesting exhibition dancers as entertainment for their functions. Charlie Truax asked about having the demos listed on the website. President Cari asked about exhibition at a Relay for Life on September 15<sup>th</sup> in Rocklin. The Board by consensus decided not to do a demo because of the short notice time. President Cari brought up a request for an exhibition on October 27 in conjunction with Harvest Hoedown in Yuba City. Bonnie Abramson and Jerry Little will try to work something out with the City of Yuba City. President Cari suggested running a newspaper ad to promote square dancing. The Board declined by consensus

There was a general discussion on ideas to promote square dancing. A committee consisting of Christine Zell, Charlie Truax, John Roloson and Scott Pearce with Jerry Little as chair was appointed by the President to come up with ideas for promoting square dancing. Morrie Weisbart made a motion to run an ad in local newspapers. Bonnie Abramson seconded the motion. Motion failed. Bonnie Abramson made a motion that the President should try to send out a Public Service Announcement to any local media outlet. Bob Kamuf seconded motion. Motion passed.

**Sunshine and Blood Reserves:** Bonnie Abramson requested a card be sent to Bill McCrory  
Morrie Weisbart read report from Keron Weisbart.

**Fun Weekend:** Morrie Weisbart reported that there had not yet been a wrap up meeting.  
President Cari appointed an audit committee consisting Sue Regadanz, Bonnie Abramson, and  
Carolyn Matthies of to review the Fun Weekend books. The committee asked that the co-chairs  
be there to answer questions from the committee. Morrie Weisbart agreed to be available for the  
committee when the audit is performed.

**Harvest Hoedown:** Bob Kamuf read written report. There was a general discussion about  
vendors for Harvest Hoedown. Bonnie Abramson reported that she had contacted a few vendors  
and had a few yet to contact. Contracts have been sent to those coming for this year.

**District 2 Director:** Charlie Truax had flyers for Overalls new dancer class available for  
distribution.

**District 5 Director:** Corky Bolin had flyers for Elk Gove Hoedowners anniversary dance on  
September 22. (Report attached)

**District 7 Director:** Carol Rhine reported that the Maverick's clothes closet would be held just  
once a year in October.

**District 8 Director:** Joe White reported Buttons and Bows had a booth at the Placer County fair  
in Auburn. They were also doing an exhibition dance and they were parking cars at the Auburn  
home show. Goldancers are starting a new dancer class. (Report Attached)

**Website:** Morrie Weisbart provided a written report on website activity. Board members  
requested that the report be made at the end of the month preceding each meeting so the report  
was not distorted by partial figures from the current month. Morrie said he could do that.  
(Report attached)

**Hotline report:** President Cari read a summary of hotline activity provided by Andrea Schatz.  
There was a discussion about an afternoon class for grade school age children.

**Old Business:** October 20 dance in Old Sacramento: President Cari reported that he had emailed  
the woman in charge of the Old Sacramento event about a dance location and had not heard back  
from her. He felt it was unlikely that we would have that event this year.

Nominations for 2008 officers: Morrie Weisbart presented the current slate of candidates  
(attached). President Cari asked Board members to encourage dancers from clubs run for  
positions on the Board. Charlie Truax expressed a concern about the time commitment if Morrie  
Weisbart were elected as President and appointed as Website Director. Vice President Weisbart  
stated that he did not think the time requirement was a hindrance to holding those two offices.  
Sue Regadanz made a motion asking the Board to set aside that section of the Bylaws (Article  
VIII Section 3 (g)) limiting the president to two consecutive terms and asking President Cari to

run for the office of President for 2008. President Cari pointed out that the Bylaws specify that only the Delegates may amend the Bylaws. President Cari explained the process described in the Bylaws to amend the Bylaws. President Cari explained that the motion as presented by Sue Regadanz was not in order.

Bonnie Abramson made a motion to recommend that the delegates suspend Article VIII Section 3(g). Sue Regadanz seconded the motion. There was discussion the process of enacting amendments to the Bylaws. Charlie Truax questioned the status of Bonnie Abramson to make the motion on the floor. Bonnie Abramson stated position as Co-Chair of Harvest Hoedown gave her status to make the motion. Charlie Truax asked to have the status as a quorum confirmed. President Cari stated there were 11 of 17 current officers present. John Roloson asked about assuming the position District 1 Director in the absence of Bud Baker. President Cari explained that John Roloson could not assume the position of District 1 Director since that position is an elected position and our Bylaws do not provide for representative appointment by elected officers. The motion passed with no objections.

President Cari asked Jerry Little about plastic bins for flyers that were mentioned in the minutes from the June Board meeting. Jerry Little was not sure what needed to be done.

**New Business:** President Cari presented a motion from Christine Zell for the Association to provide up to \$500 to clubs to help defray costs advertising administration of new dancer classes. Charlie Truax seconded the motion. Discussion followed on the details of implementation of the motion. Morrie Weisbart made a motion to table the motion on the floor and refer it to the promotions committee. Charlie Truax seconded the motion. The motion to table passed.

President Cari presented a motion by Christine Zell to be presented to the Delegates to define the intent of the toll free telephone number to be for promotion of square dancing.

President Cari presented the issue of where to park the ASDSC trailer. Sue agreed to allow us to park the trailer at her property.

Bonnie Abramson asked Morrie Weisbart about the tracking of 'ten year' members of the Board. President Cari stated that he would look in his files to see if he had something on this topic and would let Vice President Weisbart know what was found.

Charlie asked about the position of Calendar Director. President Cari explained that the position is still in the Bylaws until the Bylaws are amended but that the position was currently vacant because the Delegates had voted to discontinue the printing of a dance calendar.

John Roloson asked if the motion to suspend Article VIII Section 3 (g) is approved and President Cari is elected to a third term would Mr. Kamuf remain as Jr. Past President. President Cari replied that Mr. Kamuf remains in that office until he is replaced.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30PM.