



*B.C. Square & Round Dance Federation*



**Minutes of BOD Meeting  
Saturday, March 31, 2012  
Royal Oak Women’s Institute Hall  
4516 West Saanich Road, Victoria**

Attendance:

Region	Delegates	Non-Delegates
1	8	1
2	8	5
3	5	0
5	4	0
8	7	1
9	6	0
Total	38	7

Flags and agendas were distributed to delegates and voting procedures explained.

Announcement: Directions to the hall for the Maverick’s 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dance this evening were given, i.e. check page 5 of Cross Trail Thru magazine distributed.

President, Norm Cox, asked those present to take a moment to give thanks for those present and remember those who were unable to be here. The meeting was opened at 10:07a.m. and Norm introduced the executive.

**M/S Al Ritchie/Beth McGifford to allow non-voting delegates to have corresponding privileges but no voting privileges. CARRIED.**

Additions to agenda: The item listed as workshop under 12 i is to be scheduled for immediately after the lunch break. **M/S John Corrigan/Mort Fromson that the agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED.**

**M/S Beth McGifford/Genie French that the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of March 26, 2011 be accepted as circulated. CARRIED.**

**Correspondence:**

- Correspondence from Revenue Canada regarding registration for HST purposes was forwarded to treasurer and appropriate actions taken
- A letter was sent to the B.C. Senior Games advising we are no longer involved in the games as per motion at the last AGM.
- Correspondence received from Region 5 regarding Notices of Motion to be dealt with under New Business
- Correspondence from Al Ritchie regarding Notice of Motion regarding quorum changes

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- Correspondence from and to Swan Valley Swingers regarding financial contribution for promotion of the activity
- Correspondence from Mary Anne Turner requesting the BOD consider placing the Health Brochure on the website for downloading.

**Reports:**

All of the Executive, Committee and Regional reports were put on the website and Delegates had been asked to read them, bring copies and come prepared to discuss the reports, if required. The chair asked if there is any action or discussion required on each report:

- President
- Secretary
- Past President will be responsible for nominations for elections at the next AGM.
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President
- Third Vice President
- Canadian Society
- Round Dance Coordinator
- Squareup B.C.
- Moving and Grooving
- Webmaster
- Four Score & More. Nils Hoeg is resigning and a new coordinator is required for this committee. John Tutte volunteered and was accepted. Requests for badges should be sent to John by email at [djvall@shaw.ca](mailto:djvall@shaw.ca). Clubs and individuals should NOT contact the badge company directly.
- 1-800 Phone Line
- Social Dancing DVD. The Federation should continue with involvement and ownership of this program as long as we have a financial investment still in it.
- Region One. Gillian Bloom announced that a new dancers class at the Country Cousins was not included in the original report.
- Region Two.
- Region Three.
- Region Four.
- Region Five will be running a callers school with Darryl Clendenin in May 2012.
- Region 8 has both a Round Dance and a Dancers Association report.
- Region 9

**M/S Genie French/Mort Fromson that the Reports be accepted as posted. CARRIED.**

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### **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's Report indicated there is an income of \$3,157.85 so far this year but this will be reduced between now and the AGM as normal expenses come in. **M/S Beth McGifford/Mort Fromson to accept financial report as presented. CARRIED.**

### **Old Business:**

**11 i. Video Library:** The first Vice President, Gord Ruedig had requested feedback from the Regions as to the disposition and/or location of the Federation Library. The Library is not being used very extensively. **M/S Gord Ruedig / Merv Meyer that the Federation dispose of all items in the library that are not in DVD format. CARRIED. M/S Gord Ruedig/John Corrigan that notice be given to each Region that said items are to be disposed of and that individuals or organizations with an interest in any of the items be offered them on a first come, first served basis at a nominal fee to cover shipping and handling. CARRIED. M/S Gord Ruedig/Helen Maddeaux that the Federation offer its remaining DVD Library on a time sharing basis to each Region which would like to participate in the program provided that the Region first appoint a representative to oversee the operation of the Library in accordance with Federation policy while the Library is in possession of that Region. CARRIED.**

Coffee Break

**11 ii. Health Brochures.** Last year we printed 5000 copies @ 5c copy. **M/S John Corrigan/Merv Meyer that the brochure be placed on the web page for easy access. CARRIED.** Copyright items will have to be appropriately marked (e.g. picture). Space for entering local contact information should be possible to apply when printing. One of the original concerns with printing was that we would lose control over the quality of the finished product. The webmaster will be asked to arrange for the implementation in consultation with the committee that developed the pamphlet.

**11 iii. Penticton Festival Committee Report:** A committee was formed at the AGM to determine if it was possible for the Federation to take over the running of the annual Square Dance Festival in Penticton. Al Ritchie reported that there was not enough support for this idea at this time. Beth McGifford reported that the Penticton Festival is not ending at this time but the current committee will assess available options.

### **New Business:**

**12 a.** The Notice of Motion regarding a Quorum for the AGM (By-Law 5.6(i)) was declared out of order by the chair as it had not been posted on the web page for 60 days prior to meeting. The Notice of Motion will be prepared for the next AGM. The purpose of the Notice of Motion is to make the quorum more easily achieved with the decreasing numbers of dancers able to attend.

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**12 b. Canadian Society Delegates. M/S Peggy Jo Zettl/Genie French that Darcy & Beth McGifford will continue as our delegates to the Canadian Society for the next 2 years. CARRIED.**

**12 e. The Notice of Motion for Equalizing of Delegates. M/S John Tutte/Merv Meyer that a committee, made up of representatives from different Regions of the Federation, be struck to find a way or ways by which each Region of the Federation can have an equal vote at the annual BOD meetings, regardless of the number of Delegates attending and that this Committee make a report of its findings and recommendations in the form of motions – or, if required, Notices of Motion – at the 2012 AGM. M/S John Corrigan/John Tutte to table this motion for the AGM.**

**12 c.** The Motion from Region 5 that future Annual Spring Meetings of the Federation Board of Directors be held in a location more or less central to the seven Regions of the Federation is ruled Out of Order by the chair as it requires wording changes to the Bylaws. Current bylaws require that the next BOD meeting be selected at current BOD meeting. Formal Notice of Motion is required to change this.

**12 d. M/S Roy Ballam/ Betty Langtry that the 2013 meeting of the Board of Directors meeting be held in Region 2. The meeting date will be April 6, 2013 at a location to be determined. CARRIED.**

**12 f. M/S Helen Maddeaux/Connie Ritchie music that has been used in a Federation Round of the Month should not be used again with new choreography in subsequent Federation Rounds of the Month for a period of at least Ten (10) years. CARRIED.**

**12 g. M/S Roy Ballam/Betty Langtry that \$5 Federation fee be waived for wheelchair bound federation members in the Province. CARRIED.**

Past President, John Corrigan will be looking for nominations for Federation Executive for the BC Federation at the AGM to be held in Penticton on August 10, 2012. The positions of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President and Treasurer are up for re-election at this time. A Round Dance Coordinator will also be appointed at the AGM.

**12 h.** Festival Guidelines: Page 40 of the Guidelines is obsolete and should be deleted. The 2011 Festival was cancelled. Are any Regions looking at hosting a Festival in 2013, 2015 or 2017? A group in Region One is considering a Mini Square Dance Festival similar to the Round Dance Festival held in Powell River in 2009.

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John Corrigan recommended that when an executive or committee head is being introduced the partner should also be recognized. For example, the President Couple not just the holder of the position.

Lunch Break (12:05)

12:55 The meeting reconvened and President, Norm Cox spoke about the Promotion Committee in Region 2 and their participation in the “Wellness Show” under the sails at the Convention Centre in Vancouver.

1:00 Gord Ruedig, First Vice President and Brian Elmer, chair of Squareup BC gave a presentation, “**Square Dance Makeover: A Menu for a New Customer**”. A detailed handout was available. Contact SquareUP BC if you would like a copy of the handout.

Delegates and visitors formed discussion groups and the workshop resulted in the following actions:

**1. M/S Brian Elmer/Roy Ballam that the BCS&RDF give a funding grant in the amount of \$5,000 to a pilot Square Dance project in Vernon as outlined in documents submitted by Bob Byrne. DEFEATED.**

**2. M/S Brian Elmer/Gord Ruedig that the BCS&RDF establish a “Makeover Team” or, at least, a team of those leaders in the activity who are concerned about the future. This initiative would begin with identifying a Team Leader who can find people interested in joining in and who can get ideas flowing. A budget of \$2000 is to be available to the group. (note that \$2000 was allotted to the dormant Team-Building project and might be diverted from there). CARRIED.** A Committee was formed consisting of Gord Ruedig, Brian Elmer, Lyle O’Hara and possibly Nick Turner. Lyle O’Hara will lead the team.

**3. M/S Mort Fromson/Brian Elmer that the BCS&RDF establish a “Pilot Project Fund” of \$2000 that can be earmarked to provide grants to applicants who demonstrate that they have a product or concept worthy of testing. CARRIED.**

**5 Corrected:**

**M/S Merv Meyer/Alan Ebl that the BCS&RDF fund advertising in the amount of \$2,000.00 in media such as Facebook for new dancer classes throughout all areas in the province that plan to have new dancer classes this fall. Carried.**

**Motion to Adjourn (3:58) Julius Bagi**