

Minutes of the R5CCDA AGM, held Saturday June 4th, 2016 in the Hart Pioneer Center, Prince George.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m

Present were: Nick and Mary Anne Turner, Bernie Smith, Don Hollis, Bill and Jan Cave, Glenda Mathews, Rosetta Meyer, Ken Crisp, Bill Cocker, Laurel McKirdy, Susan Hunter, Stephen Adams, Reta Gagnon, Glen and Cathy Davidson, Jolanda Van Dyk.

1. Adoption of Agenda: Moved: Glenda Mathews, Second: Jan Cave Carried

2. Minutes of 2015 AGM (posted in R5 Bulletin prior to meeting and voted by consent not to have read at this time)

Moved to Adopt: Bill Cave, Seconded: Reta Gagnon Carried

3. Business arising from Minutes:

A. For your information -at last AGM BCS&RD Federation adopted a motion to change composition of Regional Delegates to four regional members in good standing rather than 2 Callers and 2 Cuers (Motion to 2015 Federation AGM made by Nick Turner)

B. For your information -BCS&RDF Website is being revamped. We are encouraged to make greater use of it and are asked to report errors and omissions to Webmaster Frank McNeil. fmcneil@shaw.ca

4. Financial Report: Posted on R5 website prior to meeting.

Moved to adopt: Bernie Smith, Second: Don Hollis Carried

Moved: Bill Cocker, Second: Rosetta Meyer: "Resolved that surplus funds be invested as follows: Three (3) x \$1,000 two (2) year term deposits at Integris Credit Union at effective rates on the day of investment" Carried

5. Correspondence received - Newsletters from Federation President; emails from 2017 Festival Committee. All have been posted in Cariboo Connection or recent Bulletins.

6. Reports and Business arising from reports.

Reports have been published in Bulletins and so were not read.

A. Thanks were expressed to Bill and Marilyn Rose, Del Hustwait and John Tutte for representing our Region as Delegates to the BOD. Thanks also to Bill Rose for his comprehensive report back to the Region.

B. Cariboo Connection Newsletter

- Compliments were given to the editors by Bill Cave.
- Costs for the 2015/16 season: \$235.36 (\$0.87 per copy, 270 copies printed) Bill Cave offered to take care of printing as he has business discount card at Staples.
- Editors requested more personal articles/letters from the membership about club square dancing - especially feedback from new dancers.
- Moved: Don Hollis, Second :Reta Gagnon: That the R5CCDA continue funding publication of the Cariboo Connection. Carried.

C. Brian Elmer's New Dancer Survey Results Report.

- Surveys had been filled in by new dancers on their first night of dancing. The surveys were mailed back to Brian for analysis and a results report was created. This report can be found on the Federation website.

http://www.squaredance.bc.ca/images/Documents/ndsurvey_2015.pdf

The blank survey is shown first and if you scroll down you will come to the results. Nothing startling emerged from the survey but some of the comments are interesting.

- A discussion ensued about the use of Facebook. Susan Hunter pointed out how using Facebook was a great way to get free advertising as Facebook spreads exponentially thus exposing many people to Square Dancing - be sure to post as 'Public'

- Although notification regarding the Survey had been sent to all clubs by our Secretary, Prince George seemed not to have received the Survey.

7. Old Business

There was no action taken or feedback given following the discussion at the last AGM about T shirts with a logo that could be used by all members of club squares participating in Demos. Susan Hunter from Prince George suggested that she might look into this for us.

8. New Business

A. The new brochures and rack cards created by the Federation's Revitalization Committee were handed out to club representatives. They are available to each club in our region but we suggest that clubs actively running new dancer classes would be the best candidates to receive some of these cards. There is a space on them for you to add a label of your club's specific information. These are free and a second printing has been made. Obtainable from The BCS&RDF.

B. Election of Officers

- the only position to be elected at this time was the Treasurer

Moved: Bill Cave, Second: Reta Gagnon, that Bill Cocker be elected by acclamation to continue as treasurer for a second two-year term. Carried

9. Guest Speaker: Ken Crisp, President BCS&RDF

Ken emphasized that the Federation was there to help in developing ideas but in no way would interfere with, or dictate to, clubs. Some funds are available to help with Regional events such as cuer/caller schools, Regional meetings, Festivals etc. In discussion, the membership was urged to come up with ideas to promote Square

Dancing and to send details to Ken rather than just voicing a vague “idea” and also be prepared to head or be on a committee convened to pursue the idea.

10. Information for Region 5 members:

- the BCS&RDF AGM will be held in Penticton on August 5, 2016 at the Penticton Senior Drop in Centre - 2965 Main Street South. All dancers and leaders are welcome.
- There will be a BC Square and Round Dance Festival in 2017 - July 6, 7, and 8th. It will be held at the Cloverdale Rodeo Grounds . The registration forms are available online, but will have to be mailed in until July 6th - After July 6th, you will be able to register and pay online. The cheapest rate for the 3 day package is in effect until Sept. 1, 2016. After that, the price increases. Festival colours will be aqua and tan. More information can be found at bcfestival2017.squaredance.bc.ca The sooner you register, the sooner the organizers will know what kind/level of a program to offer.
- A weekend dance event will be held in the Chase Community Hall - June 17th to 19th. Caller is Steve Edlund and Cuers are Mariann Sanford and Sandy Meyer. There are Mainstream, Plus and Round dance events. Following that there is a Caller and/or Cuer School for new and experienced callers or cuers. It will be held June 19th to 24th with instructors Garry Dodds and Pat Zeeman. Posters with more information for both events can be found at <http://chasethefun.com> NOTE: This Caller School may be cancelled because so few people have registered at this time.

Motion to adjourn Cathy Davidson / Laurel McKirdy

Meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.