



Metropolitan Chicago Association of Square Dancers
Minutes from the MCASD General Meeting Dec 3, 2017
At Trinity Lutheran Church, Roselle, Illinois

NEXT MEETING SUNDAY, April 15, 2018 AT 2 PM

***Website Training by SDChicago webmaster
Brian R. to take place before the 4/22/2018 meeting at 1 pm***

Please arrive early to help set up tables & chairs. Thank you.

Executive Board:

Duane & Robert Bradley, Janice & James Cha, Donna Carpenter, Sue & Ken Davies, Anita Johnson, Darlene Kulpa, Randy Moore, Bill Neurauter, Pat Semple, Frankie Terry

Delegates:

Arlington Squares, Tom Long; BnB Batavia, Rhea Britton, Terry Mertes; BnB McHenry, Bob/Donna Carpenter; Call & Caper, Duane Bradley; Chi-Town Squares, Kate Reed; Downers Grove Square Thrus, Gordon Delaney; Fox Valley Mixers, Jim Rakow; Glenview Squares, Dave/Ann Parr; Happy Twirlers, David/Wanda Staron; Naper Squares, Linda Neff; North Shore Squares, Joy Nachtrab, Pam Berg; ; Oceanwaves, Marlene Neurauter; Pollywogs, Barry Johnson; Southside Squares, Cornie Gardner; Square Spares & Pairs, Ed/Carolyn Stockwell; Swing'n Sugar Squares, Sue Davies, Pam Brown; Woodstock Squares, Chris Schildt, Martin Barcelo; Yellowrockers, Terry Moye

Call to Order - 2:02 pm by Janice Cha

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Marlene Neurauter-Oceanwaves motioned to approve the agenda. Martin Barcelo-Woodstock seconded the motion Vote: YES: ALL No: NONE Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Marlene Neurauter-Oceanwaves motioned to approve the Minutes. Rhea Britton-Batavia BnB seconded the motion, Vote: YES: ALL No: NONE Motion carried.

Treasurer Report - Anita Johnson

Anita brought copies of the treasurer's reports from September and October. In summary - fiscal year to date income total is \$3283.52 and expenses total \$2305.44 giving us a profit so far of \$978.08. Our cash on hand as of October 31 is \$20,615.24. Donna Carpenter-BnB McHenry moved to accept the treasurer's report for audit. Sue Davies – Swing'n Sugar Sqs seconded. Vote: YES: ALL No: NONE Motion carried.

President's Report - Janice Cha (for Rich Sehnert)

Janice highlighted several points from a note to her from Rich Sehnert. Rich wants to thank everyone who is taking an active part in MCASD. He also thanks everyone for bringing toys for tots; He referenced the changing of our LOGO; and Rich would also like to see the participation of MCASD members on the radio station WTTW as an annual event.

Vice President's Report – Janice Cha

Janice reported that the first MCASD New Dancer Dance for this season held at The Book Market in Glenview and hosted by North Shore Squares was a delightful success. Some 21 new students and 40 angels attended. Arlene Kaspik was the caller. Janice also commented that at the upcoming New Year's Eve dance, the host clubs will welcome newer dancers by offering Club 50 and Mainstream tips.

Secretary's Report –WE NEED ONE!!!

Insurance Report – Bill Neurauter

Insurance report was recently sent via email to all clubs. If venue needs their name on certificate, send to BILL. Agency will not accept club requests. Reminder that MCASD book should be at each dance. Each club should have accident forms present.

Webmaster – Janice commented briefly (for Brian Robinson)

Brian had another session to teach dance entry tools. If you have questions or need information to log on, please email Brian. Each club should have a person designated to learn to enter and update information regarding their dances.

SCISDA – Frankie Terry

Frankie has seen the Convention site, and assures us that it is a great, clean, facility. She also pointed out that public transportation is only \$24 each way between Chicago and Decatur with shuttle services once you are there. Frankie has the registration forms and ribbons available.

2018 IL SD Convention – Bill Neurauter

Please encourage club members to attend. If attendance is low, the convention will lose money. Tom Miller is caller. Bill mentioned that there are TWO locations for camping during the convention. As of Dec. 3, no convention meeting has yet been scheduled by Convention Co-chairs Bobby Poyner and Dennis Wiggins.

News Notes – Robert Bradley

Robert passed out what he had received for the December issue. He pointed out that he really isn't asking for the same information that can be found in the Chicagoland Directory, but rather anything that is out of the ordinary, that clubs want people to know.

Friendship Awards – Donna Carpenter

Requirements for the Friendship awards are located in Chapter 13 of the MCASD handbook, but Donna pointed out some significant changes that have been made: EACH visit made to the same club UNTIL a banner is stolen will be counted, as well as any visit to an MCASD new dancer dance can be counted toward the Individual "**Dancer Activity**

Award", noting that free dances, workshops, exhibitions, summer dances and ticket dances do NOT count. Also, the "**Club Friendship Award**" will be given to any club that visits at least **8 (eight) different** clubs during the season.

Historian – Randy Moore

Randy thanked everyone who has contributed toward maintaining our history. And Randy was thanked for doing what he does so faithfully for MCASD.

Publicity – Janice Cha

Janice stressed the use of Facebook (facebook.com/squaredancechicago) to get the word out to people new to the activity and pique the interest of prospective new dancers. The SquareDanceChicago.com website is another resource.

Pumpkin Ball 2017 - Darlene Kulpa

Darlene noted that this year brought more money to MCASD than any of the past nine years. The schedule of the day seemed to work for everyone. The length of the "Ball" has been discussed, and will be addressed again.

Sweetheart Dance 2018 – Frankie Terry

Frankie Terry gave tickets to each club to sell for the upcoming Sweetheart Dance. This year Tom Manning and Barry Johnson will be calling, and Ron Ashenden will be cueing. Presale cost is \$8, at the door will be \$10. Lined up for 2019 are Jimmy Robison and Lottie Buckbee calling and Larry Johnson cueing.

Roll Call

During the meeting representatives of the Marine Corps came to the meeting, thanked everyone for the great response to "Toys for Tots" and presented MCASD with a plaque.

Unfinished Business

(1) James Cha passed out a few copies of the proposed logo change. Delegates had questions and comments. After much discussion regarding the changing of the **logo** for MCASD, Rhea Britton made a motion to table the topic until individual club members can share their thoughts on the subject. The motion was seconded by Donna Carpenter-McHenry BnB. 14 voted FOR, 13 voted against. Motion carried.

(2) Janice gave an update on the Grant 2017 program and informed us that any money awarded would come after the season.

New Business

None.

OPEN FORUM

Several clubs advertised their upcoming dances.

Motion to adjourn – Barry Johnson- Pollywogs, Rhea Britton seconded. unanimous

*Respectfully Submitted by
Darlene Kulpa, Swing'n Sugar Squares*