

**Pennsylvania Square and Round Dance Federation
Minutes**

Holiday Inn, Johnstown Downtown, PA October 4, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 1 PM by Tony Rock, President. In attendance were 2 members from Allegany Valley, 4 from Central PA, 2 from Delaware Valley, 0 from Laurel Mountain, 5 from Susquehanna Valley, and 6 from Western Pennsylvania.

Naomi Fisher gave the invocation.
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Pete Wex.

Secretary's Report:

The minutes from April 12, 2015, previously distributed by email, had one clarification as follows. In reference to membership in PSRDF as a requirement to apply for USDA Insurance, a club must be a member of one of the affiliated Associations or Federations to be insured at a preferred per person rate. The rate for an unaffiliated club will be one dollar per person more. The minutes were then approved by Mike Matsko and seconded by Clyde Miles.

Treasurer's Report:

submitted by Naomi Fisher:

Beginning Balance per checking account 5/1/15		6,123.66
Income:		
Refund of Seed money for 2015 Convention	1,000	
Total Income for May-Sept of 2015		<u>1,000.00</u>
Available Funds as of Sept 30, 2015		7,123.66
Expenses:		
Promotional	283.00	
Seed Money for the 2016 Convention	1,000.00	
Office Expenses	142.62	
Leadership Breakfast	635.75	
Annual Awards at Convention	60.00	
Total Expenses for May-Sept of 2015		<u>5,002.37</u>
Bank Statement as of Sept 30, 2015		<u>4,802.29</u>
The difference is Check #166 to Do Pas O that was cashed in May but expensed in April		200.00

Federation Reports:

Allegany Valley SRDF

The fall meeting of the AVSRDF was held at the home of Tom Mohney on Sept. 20, 2015 with President Lou Stiles presiding.

ABC Dancers have changed their Sunday dances to the third Fridays of March, June, and Sept. The New Year's Dance will be kept on New Year's Eve, Thurs. Dec. 31 from 9:00pm -12:15am with Tom Mohney calling and Nathan Parrot cueing at the First United Methodist Church, 73 Clinton St. Greenville, PA.

Castle Paws and Taws average 2-3 sets per dance. Fun night was not well attended, with no potential new students. The benefit dance that was held for Nathan Parrot Sunday Sept 13, 2015 was well attended. They estimated 175 to 200 people attended with at least 10 sets on the floor most of the afternoon. Over \$6000 was raised to assist Nathan with his medical bills. They were very pleased with the support from the Square Dance Community. They had people from as far away as Cleveland and Warren, PA in attendance.

They sponsored their 19th annual Black Light Dance on Sept. 23 from 8-10:30 at the Cascade Park Dance Pavilion. Tom Strickland called and Bruce Haislip did the cueing. Dances will continue on a weekly basis at Cascade Park through the end of Oct. Then the dances will be held at the Lawrence County Career and Technical Center, Weekly until Dec. 16, 2015. Dances will be held on the second and fourth Wed. in Jan. Feb. and March and will return to the weekly schedule in April.

Fiddle A Rounds met on Thurs July 9, 2015 at the Monroe Community building in Knox, PA for their annual summer picnic. There were 9 members in attendance on Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015. The club is planning another 'Christmas on the River' event at the Allegheny Grille in Foxburg, PA. After dinner they are hoping to have enough members present to dance to their favorite singing calls. Dinner is at 6:00pm and dancing will begin at 8:00pm.

Circle 8 Square Dance Club usually meets the second and fourth Saturday of each month. In November there will only be a dance on November 14 and in December the only dance will be on December 12 due to the holidays. Usually enough couples attend to form two squares of dancers. However their membership is decreasing and they have been unable to establish a beginner's class.

Shenango Valley Sashayers report they normally have 2 – 3 squares. They dance on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. The Christmas party is Monday, Dec. 7, 2015 with Drew Loutzenhiser. Next year they are thinking of joining with Brookfield, OH Cloverleaves for the Christmas dinner dance. Attempts at having a beginner's square dance class have thus far not been successful.

Lou and Ruthie Stiles, Presidents, AVSRDF

Central Pennsylvania SRDA

The Central Pennsylvania Square & Round Dance Association held its Healthy Heart Dance at Divine Providence Hospital on April 26t. We raised \$543.00 for the Heart Division of this hospital. The Association will hold its Stamp Out Cancer Dance on October 25th at the same hospital.

The five clubs are dancing weekly. The advance club has one to 2 squares while the other clubs have been having two to three squares per week.

The clubs and association increased their financial and dancer support of the State Square Dance Convention for the second straight year. In an effort to get new square dancers two clubs spent over \$450 in advertising. The advertisement utilized radio, reusable vinyl banners, movable large signs, and newspaper ads. To date this effort has resulted in five new dancers. The Country Twirlers is sponsoring a trip to Alaska next year to dance in the 50th State Festival and tour the state. Currently we have 17 dancers signed up for the trip. The various clubs in the association have been dancing out at rest homes or care facilities in the area. Our association is introducing square dancing and line dancing into two schools in our association.

Submitted by Ed and Christine Styring, read by Diana Hershberger.

Added by Diana Hershberger: A group in State College is learning Advanced, with 3 students and five Angels.

Centre Squares' Anniversary Dance will be held on October 23.

Delaware Valley SRDF

In view of the alarming decrease of the membership in our clubs, I have often wondered what some of our clubs are doing, if anything, to promote square and round dancing in our region. Some clubs don't even have classes anymore. It seems that drastic measures are needed to prevent our dancing from disappearing altogether.

Therefore, we have created a Marketing Committee, of which Jay Haines is the chairman. Its task is to gather information on what kind of promotions are being held and their degree of success from clubs on a local, state and national level. This information will be analyzed and studied. This is a huge job and it will take quite some

time to come up with practical recommendations for our area. We hope to get some initial information at our next meeting, which is scheduled for October 24th.

Another decision our Federation has made is the creation of the office of Special Dance Coordinator, for which Jan Hampton volunteered. The task of the Coordinator is to help solve conflicts between clubs resulting from dating special dance events. Clubs sometimes plan a special dance for which they want a national caller, who usually is available only on a very limited basis. In case a scheduling conflict between clubs can't be solved by themselves, they will appeal to the Coordinator for assistance and a solution.

Our Annual Membership Dance will be held on November 15, 2015, at the Plymouth Meeting Church on the Mall. This dance is free to dancers that have paid their 2016 Federation dues, which includes the USDA Insurance.

We planned the following special dances in 2016:

4-17-16: Annual Federation Meeting and Dance

5-1-16: Spring Fling

5-15-16: Graduation Dance.

Respectfully submitted, Bruno Langewouters, President DVFSRD, read by Jane Styer.

Laurel Mountain SRDF

We almost folded, but as luck would have it, we are still functioning. As with all clubs, we are getting smaller. Each club is holding on. Bedford Squares dance the first Saturday of every month, Do Si Dos dance first and third Fridays, and may have a new couple this fall. ChimRocks dance the first and third Sundays. Killbucks is slowing losing ground. They dance on Mondays if they have enough people. Swinging Squares dance every Thursday holding their own. Track II dances every Wednesday with seven students. Wheelers and Dealers dance the first and third Tuesday and graduated five students with three new students. The Federation has a Sophomore Dance sponsored by an individual club each spring. We have the Federation dance the first Saturday in October and all are welcome.

Respectfully submitted, Donna Shank, and read by Diana Hershberger.

Susquehanna Valley SRDA

SVSRDA is happy to report that square and round dancing is doing well in the Susquehanna Valley. We currently have 13 active clubs. One of our member clubs, Prettyboy Swingers, just had their last dance since their caller, Henry Ferree, is moving to Florida in November and the club membership had been dwindling in recent years.

SVSRDA sponsored several summer dances this year primarily for our new dancers. SVSRDA pays for the callers and we keep the costs as low as possible, so the cost to the dancers can be low. \$2.50 this year. The purpose is to introduce new dancers to regular club dances.

Our Presidents Ball was held in April with Betsy and Roy Gotta directing the dancing and about 200 dancers in attendance. Next year's dance will be held on April 24th with Ted Lizotte calling and Linda Prosser cueing.

Our Graduation Dance to honor our graduates from the just completed classes was held in May with over 45 dancers and 4 callers and one cuer from throughout SVSRDA calling. This dance was hosted by the Gad Abouts and Panhandlers.

The SVSRDA Visitation program continues to be a very strong program attracting many dancers to clubs throughout SVSRDA. For the 2013-2014 dance year there were 490 individual visits made by our dancers and a total of 51 club visits. This year's program is well underway and many visits have been recorded.

Our clubs have tried a variety of methods to attract new dancers to our class this year. Several things that seemed to have worked were yard signs placed throughout the community and window signs in our cars. We were also able to post articles in our local newspapers.

We anticipate a great dance year with many of our clubs planning dances with guest callers including Mike Sikorsky, Jerry Biggerstaff, John Marshall, Howard and Donna Williamson, Tom Miller, Ken Ritucci, Bill Harrison, Tim Marriner, Johnny Preston, Ken Bower, Hunter Keller and Tony Oxendine among those scheduled. Check our schedule online for details. Our clubs have two dances scheduled for New Year's Eve around the region.

Jim & Carol Miller, Presidents SVSRDA, read by Susan Hein

Western Pennsylvania SRDF

It is sad to have to report that Laurel Swingers have had to dissolve after 43 years as a club. The last dance was held on September 17th.

Coming up this October 17th Mountainview Squares will host an Autumn Fest at Delmont Fire Hall, at 2360 PA 66, Delmont, PA. There will be Squares and Round dancing with one tip DBD and one tip Advanced. Early Rounds at 7:00 p.m. to 7:30

p.m. Squares and Rounds 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to 10:00p.m.

The Pittsburgh Area Callers and Cuers Association presents the Fourth Annual Round Dance Ball. An afternoon and evening of Round Dancing featuring Carter & Ruby Ackerman. It will be held Saturday, November 7, 2015 at North Hills Community Baptist Church, 801 Thompson run Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. Afternoon 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Phase II, 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Teach. The cost is \$7.00 per person. Evening 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Phase II-IV. The cost is \$7.00 per person. Both for only \$10.00.

Mountainview Squares Christmas Dinner Dance will be held at the Lamplighter in Delmont on December 20, 2015. Caller will be Norm Shaffor and Cuer is Bob & Patsy Heath. They also will have a New Year's Eve Dance at the Blairsville U. P. Church. Norm Shaffor calling with records for Rounds.

Butler Squares will hold a Spring Frolic Dance at East Butler Fire Hall on April 17, 2016. Dancing from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and a Catered Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Callers are Tom Miller and Norm Shaffor and Cuers are Nathan Parrott and Carla & Rich Eilenfeld.

At our last meeting on August 10, 2015 we finally elected Mick Hopf as our Vice President. He is also our West Pen News Editor.

Respectfully submitted,

Clyde & Judy Miles, President, WPSRDF

Committee Reports:

22nd Convention Feedback Report

by Barbara MacDonald and Gary Vioral

What worked well?

We made a profit (\$1074.32) after returning the seed money (\$1,000). It was touch and go and Joe went to the bank many times over the weekend.

We contacted all dancers across the state my mail (membership lists used across the state need to be updated to reflect dancers)

We provided several electronic newsletters throughout the year. Continued reminders kept the convention in front of folks.

Barb contacted all registered dancers by email or phone across the state that registered for the convention, but not for the hotel to assure they had rooms at the Radisson. This helped remind folks who had forgotten and got us the required room nights to avoid paying for the halls.

Our attendance included:

350 total. This included 278 dancers, 9 non-dancers, 63 callers or cuers and partners. The 350 included 7 children 3 free registrations, 6 students at reduced rate and

27 committee members.

156 for Thursday night, 126 pre-registered and 30 walk-ins (2 of which registered for entire weekend.

52 folks from other states

Not everyone said what federation, but we had 5 Allegany Valley, 10 Laurel Mt., 33 Central PA, 56 Susquehanna Valley, 46 Delaware Valley and 52 Western Pa. Most of the committee was from Western Pa.

Clubs were generous with 20 auction baskets and the convention realized a profit \$944.00.

Share the wealth had a profit of \$635.00.

We had 10 cuers (2 of which were also callers) who provided 18 hours of Phase 3-5 dancers, ½ hour of Phase 5-6 dancing, 4 Saturday teaches in addition to 2 hours on Friday's Early Bird and ½ hour of Friday's Showcase. In the Square dance hall we provided 32 dances and an easy Phase 2 teach.

We had 29 callers participate with only one cancellation a week or so in advance due to illness. It was great there were no last minute caller cancellations to make the program run smoothly. Having the approximately 22-minute time slots was ideal for callers and dancers.

The Early Bird Dance has 11 callers, the Die-hard 4 callers and the Trails-out Dance has 6 callers. The trail out dance had 8 squares with 5 to the very end.

Carter Ackerman did an excellent job in organizing and printing the schedules for dancing and events. He also is a great MC for our Saturday ceremonies.

Educational opportunities went well with 3 competition squares, 3 squares in the POOL dance. We had 23 at the sewing seminar and over 50 attending the Leadership Seminar. The two caller seminars had a total of 37 attending, including 17 callers and 2 cuers. The Topic was the length of lessons.

The Program Book had a net income of \$856.18 with \$502 in booster sheets and \$885 in 20 advertisements (only 2 from local businesses-rest from clubs, callers, cuers and federations.

It was important that we checked names at the entrance on Thursday night. This resulted in an extra \$290 from walk-in dancers.

Thanks to Penni and Karen for our First Aid needed that were only minor things this year. The 'Dance on the Waves' they considered a success and were glad for the additional work Sharon Kopp and Naomi Fisher did promoting the emergency system.

The Flooring Chairman (Paul Zajac) thanks the 15 people who helped to install the flooring as well as the 15-20 folks who disassembled the flooring.

We had lots of compliments on the solo activities and events planned by Rita Reefer. Information was placed in envelopes. 20 people participated in the luncheon at Perkins (pay your own way)

We had 20 baskets to auction. Tickets were 35 for \$10 or 15 for \$5.00. Services made the signs and money was given to Financial Chair each evening. 7 rolls of tickets

were needed.

Although the convention center set-up did not always meet our plans. They were willing to make adjustments or provide explanations for why they needed to be that way.

Many of our chairpersons and directors were new to this experience. We had a large learning curve with excellent results. It is wonderful that many are staying on for the 23rd convention in some capacity. Lots of compliments were heard from dancers, staff and other committee members about our committee.

What could be improved?

Since we did not have an assistant general chairperson, we did divide these tasks up to hospitality, education director, and help from the business manager. Bill Flick along with Penni helped to organize the Parade of Banners. It would be helpful to have an assistant general chair to learn the job throughout the year.

In the round dance halls we continued to run behind. It was suggested we should program 4 rounds per 20 minutes.

We needed to allow more time for Round Dance Teaches.

The caller request form needs some changes to be sure callers do call some in their first choice.

Callers and Cuers need to have their digital music and laptop tested prior to taking the stage.

Need to have good flooring diagrams for each hall to help the flooring chairman. Including the dimension of the room and flooring size needed.

The Flooring Chairman would like to have an enclosed cargo trailer to store and transport the flooring.

Not having Suzie-Q as the badge vendor caused a few difficulties of not having requested badges available. Although some adjustments were made, it would be better if she was there. (She had canceled out in March and we could not find any replacement)

For Program Books-need to have count by July 5 to know how many to print.

If someone does not send their ad in time for publication in the book, they should be charged a fee if they want to put it in the convention envelope.

Advertising in local magazines (USDA News and American Square Dance) did not work even though ads were submitted. "Where's the dance" did advertise. More information and guidance needed for Publicity.

In the hotel, it would be helpful to have committee located in rooms close to each other.

23rd Convention Report

Since the April PSRDF meeting Diana and I have agreed to serve as General Chairmen for the 23rd PSRDF Convention. We have established our committee with the exception of an Assistant General Chairman.

We had an early bird registration during the 22nd convention and received about 40 registrations at that time.

We gave away two Complimentary Registrations, one at the WPSRDF Fall Festival and one at the Laurel Mountain Federation Annual Dance.

Hotel reservations are now able to be made at this Holiday Inn. The rate of \$109 is a deal considering that even the lowest rate that I found on the web was \$146.

The Thursday evening trail-in dance will feature Jeremy Butler calling and Roy Gotta cuing. We will also host Tim Marriner as our featured caller for Saturday evening of the convention.

Joe Korinchak will be organizing a tour to the flood museum and the Johnstown area. Flyers and registration forms will be forthcoming.

We have provided a registration form, add sheet, and booster form to the webmaster for posting to the PSRDF web site. The flyer has been revised and copies are available. We hope to create an ad poster for the reverse side for our next printing.

Registrations, booster sheets and ad forms are available for federation delegates to take back to your areas and help us all promote our state convention.

An article was submitted to the West Penn News about the convention and google articles will be coming out after this meeting.

The ribbons have been ordered and will be sent with a letter to confirm registrations.

New items for the 23rd convention include:

- Use of a hand stamp for entrance to the trail in dance.
- Use of two different ribbons for the convention.
- Dancing programmed all day on Friday
- Clarification of the casual dress to include knee length shorts for both men and

women.

Respectfully Submitted, Tony & Diana

Caller/Cuer Report:

No report.

Showcase of Ideas Report:

No report, but the showcase needs a home please...won't take up much room.

No Historian:

No report. Volunteers please

License Plates:

Since the April 12, 2015 meeting there has been no applications received for the PSRDF Specialty License Program.

Last meeting I presented the process for applying for this program and asked that you would join in to promote this program and review this with your club delegates.

The form MV-9404S0 {1-15}, Application for Special Organization Registration Plate can be obtained at the PSRDF Website, psrdf.org and submitted to Mike. The fee is a onetime fee.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Matsko, Chairman, Specialty Plate Program

Computer Coordinator/Webmaster

The following changes were made over the last 6 months:

- Updated information for the 23rd State convention.

- Updated PSRDF officers' page.

- Updated Home page.

- Requested updates for the Central PA Federation pages.

- Updated WPSRDF pages as requested.

- Other corrections as requested.

The average daily visits reported by the Web host site for the last six months are 220 visits per day. Full statistical report available on request.

Membership

I am waiting on Federations to send in current data.

Submitted by Kenton Adams, PSRDF Webmaster, read by Diana Hershberger

Each club should send specified amount to its respective Federation, which in turn sends that money to the PSRDF.

Caller Selection

No one has been contacted.

Fundraising (was Ways and Means) and Publicity

There has been no one in these positions for some time. Asking for volunteers, Pete Wex and Susan Hein volunteered to handle fundraising and publicity. Thank you very much!

State Outfit:

No report. The state outfit is shown on the website. It is navy blue and yellow.

Audit

The Treasurer's books for the PSRDF from 5/10/13 to 4/30/15 were audited and found to be in order. The Business Manager's books for the 22nd PSRDF Convention for the period August 1, 2014 to August 23, 2015, the ledger statement, check register and bank statement were found to be in order as of August 31, 2015. Submitted by Clyde Miles.

Special Reports:

USDA

The USDA Annual Board of Directors Meeting was held in Springfield, Massachusetts, on Wednesday, June 24, 2015 prior to the opening of the 64TH NSDC .

We were pleased to see that PSRDF had their compliment of voting Delegates present.

In fact, there were 6 attending members.

At this business meeting the following list will cover the actions that were taken by the BODs.

- Election of Officers:
 - President – Jerry & Donna Robey – Illinois
 - Eastern Region V-President – Lisa Breault –Rhode Island
 - Central Region V-President – Ed & Lynda Willis – North Carolina
 - Plains Region V-President – Floyd & Judy Engelhart – Minnesota
 - Western Region V-President – Lpaul & Sally Schmidt – California
 - Secretary – Scott & Brenda Deal – Wisconsin
 - Treasurer – Jim & Judy Taylor – Colorado

- Approved 4 new USDA Affiliates
 1. Hawaii Federation of Square Dance Clubs
 2. North East Georgia Federation
 3. Square Dance Federation of Minnesota
 4. Central Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs

- Passed the Resolution Supporting the ARTS –Reimaging of Square Dancing
This is the new Square Dance Logo and Slogan – Live Lively – Square Dance.
This resolution passed by the USDA Affiliate Delegates that encourages their member clubs to support the new Square Dance Logo and Slogan by incorporating it in all of their publications and promotional materials. ARTS believes that Square Dancers everywhere recognize the need for the Square Dance activity to achieve greater recognition.

- USDA will celebrate their 35th Anniversary at the 65th NSDC at Des Moines, Iowa.

- USDA publications are available through Tony and Diana Rock or may be downloaded or requested through the website.

- If there is anyone who is still a member of a square dance club and is over 100 years old, there is a Centennial Award available to him or her.

Respectfully submitted, Mike & Pat Matsko, USDA Past President

Advisory Board

Convention Advisory Board (Tony and Diana Rock, Larry Gorski, Clyde Miles, Mike Matsko, and Barbara MacDonald) had a telephone conversation on Saturday September 19, 2015.

Tony and Diana Rock are part of the advisory team as past and present chairs, but only entitled to one vote. Bill Flick drops off.

Items for discussion:

- Changes to registration forms.
 - Dress Code:
We need a better explanation of casual. The wording, “Knee length shorts and no flip flops or tank tops” was decided upon.
 - Proper square dance attire after 6 PM.
- Transfer of Registration:
You need to notify the registration chair as we need an accurate list of attendees for insurance purposes.
- Everyone should pick up his/her own packet.
- On a trial basis for 2016: 2 ribbon system, one mailed and one given when pick up the packet. (Suzie Q pricing will help with cost) Ribbons need to be worn at all times.
- A motion was made that the Thursday night cuer should be paid \$100 plus one room night.
- There is still a concern about why we are having national callers in 2016, when the vote seemed to go against them.
- Items brought to attention by 2015 Convention:
 - Room for Directors? No, due to cost factor.
 - Purchase of trailer to haul flooring (could also be used to store) – for PSRDF to discuss as the flooring is owned by PSRDF, not by convention.
 - Professional pictures for convention booklet? Cost not reasonable and purpose of booklet does not require these. Discuss getting better quality for printer.

- Items raised by Executive Committee of state:
 - Adding Thursday night to dance. Need to keep track of attendance. For 2016, we will use a stamp. Some folks come only on Thursday since they have other weekend obligations. We decided to keep it separate.
 - Adding more hours on Sunday. Now it is 1.5 hours and to extend would add to the costs and most folks are tired by Sunday. Dancers need to wear ribbons.
 - Change convention to a festival. This would require a total change to the philosophy and format. We would need to rework guidelines and it would exclude local callers in favor of paid callers for higher fees.

Flooring

We have over \$5000 in flooring that was purchased for the conventions because people do not want to dance on carpeting. It currently is stored free of charge but is in cardboard boxes and is not suitably protected. We discussed the possibility of buying a trailer which would also facilitate with possible rental of the flooring to other organizations. However, we do not have available finances at this time to allow us to do that. We could also consider a used or donated trailer. Clyde Miles has volunteered to look into all the possibilities and work up a flooring rental proposal, including insurance and liability. Pete Wex will look at insurance issues.

Old Business

- After due consideration by the PSRDF, it was unanimously decided to suspend the incentive awards programs sponsored by us. This decision was necessitated after examination of the Federation's account balances following the 2014 convention and amid concerns that the registration for the 2015 convention was less than hoped. The decision was made in early June 2015 and posted to the website and announced to local federations on June 16, 2015. At some future time, when the Executive Committee believes our funds become sufficient, we will

resume the programs.

- The 2015 64th National Trail Thru has not given us a report. They promised to send one.
- Future featured national callers. We discussed if we want to have national callers on Saturday evening. Is it beneficial? National callers promote our dances and we should put a link to them with a video clip of their calling on our website. A survey was to be sent out to all dancers asking for opinions, but it was not sent. It was moved by Martha Thompson and seconded by Naomi Fisher that we continue to have national callers on Saturday evening at the state convention. The motion was approved by a vote of 13 yeas and 3 nays.

New Business

- The 2017 convention will be held on the second weekend of August, but we have no location selected yet. We are still looking. A suggestion was made to have it more centrally located so that more dancers will attend. The Camp Hill Radisson has raised their rates by \$1000. We will consider Lancaster, Erie and others.
- The slate of officers nominated for presentation at the election in April, 2016, are as follows:

President	Tony and Diana Rock
1st Vice President	Bob Lawn and Martha Thompson
2 nd Vice President	Pete Wex and Susan Hein
Secretary	Diana and Truman Hershberger
Treasurer	Naomi Fisher

No other nominations from the floor at this time.

- The PSRDF dues has been \$1 per person for the last 20 years. A lifetime membership is still \$20. We have had incentive programs, paid callers at the conventions on Saturday evening, and done other promotional things. If we want to continue to promote square dancing, we need to finance these items now. A motion was made by Clyde Miles to raise the dues to \$2 per year, and it was seconded by Mike Matsko. The motion was carried by 16 yeas and one nay. The increase will be effective 1/1/16.
- The Keystone Award still exists. There were no nominations for 2015, which had to have been submitted by March, 2015. The qualifications for the award are listed on the website and must be submitted by March, 2016. We will award up to three awards.
- We need 4 delegates plus alternates to attend and vote on issues at the National Square Dance Convention in Des Moines, Iowa. If you are going to the convention, please consider being a Delegate at the Wednesday afternoon meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Judy Miles, seconded by Ted Rottwitt.
Adjourned at 4:18 pm.

The next meeting will be Sunday, April 3, 2016, at the Holiday Inn
Johnstown Downtown, at 250 Market Street.