

SPECIAL MEETING OF MIAMI VALLEY FOLK DANCERS' COUNCIL

July 31, 1980

PLACE: Jeanne Gulden's home - 6:45 p.m.

ATTENDING: Carole Pappas, Sam Ballinger, Jeanne Gulden, Tony VanDer Sluijs,
Louise Van Vliet (Chairman of Program Committee), and Marjorie Darragh

CHAIRING: Carole Pappas

The regular business of the group was dispensed with as this special meeting was called because the Chairman of the Fall Workshop, Bruce Cantrell, has been unable to find a teacher for a Russian workshop. Bruce was willing to chair a Polish workshop and Mary Wolff gave him the name of a teacher, but he was unable to reach the person.

Grace Wolff talked with Marie Demiduk, who has a Czech group of dancers in Dayton, and Mrs. Demiduk felt she could find a teacher. However, the Czech group was interested in the workshop but wanted our group to take the responsibility for it.

Carolyn Stovall suggested a woman teacher from Connecticut who would teach German and Austrian dances and she offered to chair the workshop. However, the expense of bringing a teacher that distance with such a short time for publicity did not seem advisable.

Louise Van Vliet gave us a report on the desires of the Miami Valley Folk Dancers in the last survey which was taken. She suggested that more people seem to be pleased with our ethnic Sunday programs since we have only three or so dances from the country of the day and several other dances from other countries. This gives everyone something which they like. She felt an International weekend would be accepted better than any specific nationality.

Sam moved that we cancel the fall workshop due to the short time left for publicity and planning as well as our not having a definite teacher in mind. Tony seconded the motion and it passed.

The Council felt it would be nice to do something this fall, and Carole suggested a one day workshop on a Saturday, with a catered meal and a party in the evening. Teachers were suggested and it was decided to ask Tony Francis if she would teach a one day workshop of International dances. Council gave Carole the authority to offer Tony \$50.00 for the day. Carole said she and John would Co-Chair the day with the help of the Program Committee. This day would be planned for late October or early November, and we would open it up to members of other groups. We will decide on charges etc. at our next meeting. It was agreed unanimously that if Tony Francis could not do this, we would cancel the entire plan.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Darragh