

MVFD Council Meeting-----October 8, 2001

AGENDA

Minutes of the last meeting

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

- Request from Scottish Group
- Bylaws Subcommittee
- Demonstrations

New Business

- Coffee Pot
- Picnic Reservation

- Halloween
- Christmas Party
- New Year's Eve

- Honor Couple/Person Nomination

- Fall Workshop (2002)/ Tri-City

MVFD Council
Minutes: October 8, 2001

Meeting time: 7:00P.M.
Council members present: Ed Anderson, Joanne Dombrowski, Jim Wooley,
Dolores Brooks

The meeting began with a Treasurer's Report given by Jim Wooley. As of October 8, 2001, the MVFD treasury shows a gain of \$613.92 much of this due to the increase in Guest Fees this year. The recent Israeli Workshop (September 29-30) shows a loss of \$45.16 even though the consensus was that the week-end was a success and fairly well attended.

Dolores read the minutes from the last Council meeting held on July 15, 2001. A question was raised concerning the donations made by the Steed family and Eva Clair and whether these donations had been formally acknowledged by the MVFD. It was concluded that a formal letter needed to be sent informing the Steed and Clair family that their donations had been used toward the purchase of our new variable speed CD player.

Joanne reported that Sara Fleischer has agreed to assume kitchen responsibilities for the remainder of the year 2001, replacing Truus van der Sluijs.

Leslie Hyll has informed Council that since Cityfolk is now dancing in the Pavilion under the auspices of MVFD, they will be responsible for opening, closing, and cleaning up after their dances.

The minutes were accepted and approved as read.

Regarding Old Business, Dolores presented the proposal from the Flying Ghillies Scottish Country Dance Group regarding the co-sponsoring of an afternoon social dance on Saturday, January 12, 2002. The proposal was read and a discussion followed:

- a. The Program Committee, specifically Harry Khamis, is to be informed of Lisa Garrett O'Lear's offer to teach Scottish dancing to our group prior to the January dance. Harry and his committee are to decide if and when we would like to have Lisa teach/review dances that will be part of the January program.
- b. It was decided to eliminate any price reduction for MVFD members going with a \$3.00 entry fee for all regardless of the level of participation in the dance program.
- c. We will inform Jim Rohal of this upcoming event so that he can include an announcement in the next newsletter.
- d. Dolores agreed to be the liason between both groups and would have the key to open and close the Pavilion on that date.

The proposal was passed and a letter will be sent to Lisa Garrett O'Lear informing her of our decisions.

A second point under Old Business involved a report by Joanne regarding the Bylaws Subcommittee which has recently completed their First Draft and is soliciting feedback from the membership. The major point of change in the draft concerns changing the requirement for membership into MVFD from attending 20 lessons to attending any 12 club-sponsored events. This is a once-in-a-lifetime requirement even if a member drops out of MVFD for a period of time. Also, dues for annual membership are to be paid yearly preferably in January.

Regarding Demonstrations by MVFD club members, Joanne will approach Carolyn Stovall to ask if she would be willing to be a contact person.

Under New Business Joanne reported that Ann Ballinger has given our old coffee pot to the South Slavic Club.

Ed Anderson will reserve a shelter for our annual picnic at Delco Park for the 2nd Sunday in August, 2002.

Ethnic Sunday will be cancelled in July and August, 2002.

Regarding Halloween, the Program Committee will decide if and when to celebrate the holiday.

Our Christmas Party will be held on December 20th with John and Carole Pappas as MCs.

As in the past, we are hoping to hold our annual New Year's Eve Party at Dot Santi's house. Joanne will ask Sara and Carolyn to help coordinate the evening meal.

The Council decided to nominate John and Carole Pappas as this year's Honor Couple. A letter to that effect must be submitted to the Dance Council by November 13th.

Concerning our Fall Workshop (2002), Council decided to combine this event with our yearly Tri-City (normally held in March) and hold both on a Saturday in the fall. The format would be a mini-workshop held in the afternoon and a dance party to follow in the evening. It was also suggested that we use this venue as a kick-off for our 50th anniversary.

Concerning Other Business, Jim brought up a letter from Cityfolk asking for our financial support of their "Permanence Fund." Council decided that since we already pay \$40.00 in yearly dues to Cityfolk and are now offering additional support by allowing them to use the Pavilion under our auspices it was not necessary to donate any more funds.

A discussion followed concerning our stance in the future regarding coordinating dance events when approached by other dance clubs. Council determined that this is really an

area that should be addressed by the Miami Valley Dance Council. If, in fact, they are anxious to further the growth of dance organizations in the Miami Valley, they may want to review their policies and make the use of the Pavilion more financially feasible to fledgling dance organizations. The Miami Valley Folk Dancers prefer not to be an intermediary in allowing new groups to become members of the Miami Valley Dance Council and hence have access to the Pavilion at a reasonable rate.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Dolores Brooks
Secretary

Proposal from the Flying Ghillies Scottish Country Dance Group of the Cincinnati Branch RSCDS to the Miami Valley Folk Dance Group for co-sponsoring of a dance with the Flying Ghillies Scottish Country Dancers on January 12, 2002.

The Flying Ghillies Dance Group of Dayton would like to invite the Miami Valley Folk (MVF) Dancers of Dayton to participate in a Scottish Country Dance (SCD) Afternoon Social Dance on Saturday January 12, 2002.

We would like to make this a mixed group function, where the MVF Dancers are welcome and feel comfortable dancing with the SC Dancers of the area. If MVF Dancers are interested, Lisa Garrett-O'Lear, the local dance teacher, is willing to give instruction(s) on one or more Thursday evenings during the MVF Dancers regular night of instruction so that they may learn the dances and better enjoy the dance.

Because this dance will be for all levels of Dancers we feel that the MVF Dancers will be able to participate easily in the afternoon's activities. Dolores Brook has submitted a list of SC Dances that the MVF Dancers have already learned. We have included a copy of this list and would welcome any updates. The SCD teachers will set the program shortly. An effort will be made to try to incorporate some of these known dances into the program. Once completed, a copy of the program will be available to the MVF Dancers.

The format of the Social dance is:

Gathering of the dancers.

Dancing approximately 18 dances over a 3 hour period with 2 intermissions to prerecorded music

A Master of Ceremonies announcing the dance and introducing the briefer (who then briefs the dance / gives the dance instructions)

Refreshments provided by the local SCD group.

Set-up and Clean-up by the Dance group

We understand that the fee will be \$35, for the hall rental. We expect the Scottish Country Dancers will each pay \$3 for entry and would ask the same for the MVF Dancers that plan to dance at this event. A price reduction could be arranged if a MVF Dancer wishes to watch the dancing or less actively participate.

If there are any questions they can be answered by Lisa Garrett-O'Lear (298-7848 or olegar1@ameritech.net) or Patty Lindsay (429-8654 or plindsay@mindspring.com)

Thank you for considering this proposal.

Lisa Garrett-O'Lear and Patty Lindsay

Scottish Country Dances submitted by Dolores Brooks to the Flying Ghillies:

Aird of Coigah

Bees of Maggie Knockater

Double Sixsome

Let's Have a Ceilidh

Loch Lomond

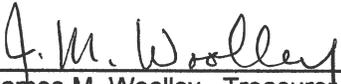
Mairi's Wedding

Mayflower
Polka Dot
Postie's Jig
Saint Bernard Waltz
The Saint John River
Trip to Bavaria
Wild Geese

**Miami Valley Folk Dancers
Treasurer's Report for 2001**

Balance as of December 31, 2000	\$3044.00
<u>Receipts</u>	
Dues	\$1659.50
Guest Fees	\$399.10
Interest	\$20.30
New Year's Eve Guests	\$9.00
Tri-City	\$290.73
Grace Wolff Party (Hall Rent)	\$35.00
Folk Bazaar - Columbus	\$13.00
Postage	\$5.00
Cityfolk - MATAPAT	\$177.00
Demonstrations	\$100.00
Entertainment Books	\$420.00
Israeli Workshop	\$1202.50
Steed Memoria	<u>\$110.50</u>
Total Receipts	\$4441.63
Total Funds for the Year	\$7485.63
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Pavillion Support (Hall Rent)	\$1015.00
Refreshments & Kitchen Supplies	\$92.31
2001 Dance Convention advertisement	\$25.00
New Year's Eve	\$55.10
Tri-City Year 2000 Balance Forward	\$28.73
Tri-City	\$229.86
Greeting Cards	\$32.45
Culture Works	\$50.00
DIFI	\$140.00
Postage	\$19.04
Program Committee Expense	\$55.00
Cityfolk - MATAPAT	\$200.00
Newsletter/Rules Change Paper	\$26.56
CD Player	\$275.00
Israeli Workshop	\$1247.66
Entertainment Books	<u>\$336.00</u>
Total Disbursements	\$3827.71
Balance as of October 8, 2001	\$3657.92
Gain/(Loss)	\$613.92

Respeccfully submitted:


James M. Woolley, Treasurer