

Mid Year State Meeting
Jan. 20, 2024

Call to Order

Tamara Mendoza called the meeting to order at 1:07pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance:

President: Tamara Mendoza,
Vice President: Susan Noyes,
Treasurer: Felicia Harvey,
Secretary: Lorraine Pratt
2nd Vice Squares: Robert & Carol Doyal,
2nd Vice Rounds: Randy Pratt
President Elect: Karen Zakovec

Southeast Chair: Marvin & Ann Carter,
Central Chair: Greg & Lynn Tillery
Southwest Chair: Absent

Jim Martel, Lise Brooks, Jerry & Marybeth Gilbreth, Denis & Anna Pabst,
Larry & Ruth Ann Martin, Ron Peterson, Buckly & Pam Zumwalt, Jim Turner,
Buddy & Gale Askren, Ken Wilson, and Sandra Libens.

District reports:

Southwest _ Absent

Central District - Lynn Tillery - Not as many members as we would like.

We will have a dance this afternoon and the next one in September.

Next meeting in 3 weeks.

Southeast - Tamara Mendoza - Doing well. At least one square plus and
some times two squares every week. Getting ready for the state dance.

Lise Brooks asked "How many are registered for the State dance?"

Answer 20.

Treasurers Report

Report given by Felicia Harvey - Started with \$3524.56

Deposits of \$ 380.00

Debits of \$ 290.47

SE is not taking or using the seed money.

I will need W-9 for each district that pays their callers more than \$600.

Confusion with NMSRDA dues, talked to Lynn Tillery to clear up the confusion.

BMI needs to be paid last treasurer is getting late fees.

Treasures report approved as read.

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Old Business

Constitution: We will look at the changes one by one.

Motion made by Buckley Second Lynn Approved 4-0

I. Name.

Added B. This organization shall be a not-for-profit 501 (c) (7) incorporated entity. No member organization or individual delegate shall have any vested interest in any funds, property, or assets of the organization.

Motion made by Karen Second Lynn Approved 4-0

II. Purpose

Added B. To effect the publication at regular intervals of a magazine containing information of interest to square and round dancers in the state of New Mexico.

Motion made by Karen Second Marvin passed 3 for - 2 against

X. DISSOLUTION OF NMSRDA CORPORATION, DISTRICTS AND LOCAL CLUBS

Added A. Upon majority vote of the Board of Directors to dissolve the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of NMSRDA to any non-profit corporation that encourages, propagates, and coordinates square dancing, round dancing, and related activities.

X. B. Two Options:

Karen - The districts are children of the state organization, and if the district money is under the state EIN number it is the state money not district money.

Buckley - The state organization can't come and get our district money unless our district allows the state organization to have it?

Karen - Yes, the state organization can ask for the money and take it because it is under the state origination EIN tax ID number.

Buckley - Our district can spend the money how ever we would like to spend the money in our district.

Karen - No, there are specific guidelines on what the money is to be spent on, for example, district dances and callers.

Robert - The guidelines are very broad and not specific at all.

Lorraine - Central District Bylaws state that if Central District folds the left over funds are to be distributed to the clubs which are left dancing in its district organization.

Ken - If the district money is part of the state money; why is the district money not included in the state treasures report?

Karen - I don't know, the only time the state treasurer gets the information is at the end of the year to file the taxes. This creates a huge liability for the state treasurer.

Randy - It's not really a big liability, the tax form asks one question, "Is the organizations income more than \$50,000 of income."

Felicia - If there is already funds in each district account those funds are under the EIN number of the NMSRDA state organization. The district could exhaust the funds in the account with the state EIN number and have their own district EIN Number.

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Karen - I think we are setting up NMSRDA up for disillusionment.

Lorraine - We visited all the districts when we got involved with the state organization and when we visited the Southeast district Dorothy Straley voluntarily did the taxes for the NMSRDA and did not require all the paperwork. But did it as a service for the districts, so each district did not have to have their own tax ID number.

Robert - The fear we have is that state board is going to take the money our district has earned. The funds we have in the district is the only thing we have control over.

Karen - If you want your own money that is not controlled by the NMSRDA write a check to state treasurer for everything in your NMSRDA district account.

Robert - Are you saying, we can leave right now, but the money in our district account stays with NMSRDA.

Karen - Yes, that is correct.

Lynn - If you leave the NMSRDA organization the organization gets all of the money.

Robert - Northwest felt forced out of the NMSRDA organization by the board of directors of NMSRDA.

Lorraine - When the Northwest pulled out of the organization these revisions were not in effect and they are not now. They went with their Northeast district bylaws. Constitutions and by laws are a generality on how to run an organization. Districts have more control over their funds than the state organization. Because the state organization and board of directors' job is to put on a state festival and not run the districts. I don't see it as a parent-child relationship.

Motion made by Marvin Second Lynn Option #1 did not pass. 2 for - 3 against

Motion made by Marvin Second Susan Option #2 did pass. 3 for - 2 against

Added B. In the event of the dissolution of a District of NMSRDA, any funds or property will be distributed in accordance with said District By-laws.

Motion made by Karen Second Lynn

Three options Option #3 did pass 4 for - 0 against

Added C. In the event of the dissolution of a Local Club, any funds or property will be distributed in accordance with said Club By-laws. If By-Laws, were created under the State or District EIN then, the state's By-Laws take precedence. If clubs have their own EIN or Tax ID not created under the state's EIN, then the club's dissolution is governed by the owner.

Lorraine - All of XI - XIII - Indemnifications are an addition to the constitution. It is not in the USDA constitution because USDA does not have a constitution, but it is in their By laws. These indemnification recommendations were not accepted as additions to NMSRDA constitution.

Motion made by Karen Second Lynn

XI - XIII - Indemnifications did not pass 1 for 2 against 1 abstain.

Stretch Break 2:07

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Call to order 2:15 by Tamara

By Law discussion

Motion made by Lynn Second Marvin Passed 4-0

Look at article X. Dues Section C. Distribution of Dues

- C. Distribution of Dues – 30% of the dues for each adult member shall be retained by the home District of said member; 70% of the dues for each adult member are to be forwarded to the State Treasury. Subscription to informative dance-related publication is optional.

Motion made by Karen Second Lynn Passed 4-0

To push the rest of discussion and revision of NMSRDA By-Laws until May 5 when there will be more representation.

Ken - will make color copies for the next meeting.

Robert - Have the By Laws discussed at their district meetings.

New Business

State Festival 2025 - May 16-18

President will be Karen Zakovec

Vice President Greg & Lynn Tillery

2nd Vice President Squares Jerry Gilbreth

2nd Vice President Rounds Bob & Sally Nolen

Secretary TBA

Treasurer TBA

Publicity - Robert Miller

Theme - working on it

Caller TBA

Cuer TBA

Next Meeting Roswell May 4, 2024,

Marvin - We would like to have everyone come to the State Festival May 3-5 2024.

Tamara - We are doing a Hee-Haw theme Friday night.

We are doing a Petticoat Junction theme Saturday night.

Square dance recycle shop.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40