

# NM 2025 Dance Festival Planning Meeting

## **Date:**

Saturday, May 3rd. Call to order at 4:45pm

## **Attendees**

- Karen Zakovec President
- Lynn Tillery Treasurer
- Greg Tillery 1st Vice President
- Bob Nolen 2nd Vice President for Rounds
- Mary Hoffman Decorations
- Lisa Miller Secretary
- Robert Miller Publicity

## **Secretary's Report:**

- Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed prior to the meeting.
- Lynn motioned to approve the minutes, and Lisa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

- Lynn reported a balance of \$5287.12.
- There are 84 people registered for the State Festival. We are expecting as many as 15 squares.
- We have not used any of the \$3600 given to use as seed money.
- Bob motioned to approve the treasurer's report, and Mary seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Unfinished Business:**

### **Website:**

- Karen will contact Jim Groves to get the passwords and information to take over the NMSRDA website.
- Bob made a motion that Robert creating an NMSRDA website (taking over from Jim Groves if possible) and a new Facebook page (there is none currently.) One person from each district will have admin rights. Lynn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Publicity:**

- Robert and Lisa advertised the introduction to square and round dance sessions on Saturday morning to several free online sites.
- Bob reported that Jerry has talked to the TV station and is waiting to hear back from them about coming to the dance Friday.
- Robert sent a request to the Governor's office to make May 17<sup>th</sup> the state Square and Round Dance day. He received a notice that the request was received but has not heard if it was approved.

- Robert and Lisa have contacted all the clubs listed in the NMSRDA newsletter to request information about their club. Dream-A-Rounds, Desert Dancers, Enchanted Squares, Hot Chile Steppers, Duke City, Eldorado Depot Dancers, Crossfires Plus Club Dance, Rio Ramblers, and ABQ Sun Dancers have responded. We are waiting to hear back from Silver City, Wilde Bunch, Rich's Dance Night, AWL and Sierra Twirlers.
- Robert has \$36.83 left in his budget and will use some of that to make the posters for the lobby

### **Color Guard**

- Boy Scout Troup 126 will do the honors.

### **Hall of Fame and Life Members:**

- There are no new nominations for either.

### **Food**

- Central District clubs are responsible for food.
- Karen ordered 72 cupcakes and will put fake engagement rings in them.
- Board members are asked to bring coolers
- Lynn and Karen plan to have hot tea available.
- Karen will pick up plates, cups and utensils.

### **Raffle**

- Board members will donate a bottle of wine for the raffle basket
- Clubs will donate a basket for the raffle

### **After Party**

- Jerry will sing country western songs for people to dance.
- We will plan to have a competition Friday night during the after party with an all-female versus an all-male square.

### **Decorations**

- MaryBeth and Karen made the table runners
- Mary found helium for 50 balloons for \$50. Robert will bring his air compressor to help fill balloons. Mary plans to have 3 arches and would like to support the arches from the ceiling with fishing wire.
- Mary will have a photo booth in the lobby. She and Robert will work out the details.
- Friday and Saturday night will have different decorations with Saturday being more formal.
- Mary needs more volunteers on Friday morning at 10am to help decorate. The resale shop will also be set up at that time.

### **Dangles, Ribbons and Registration**

- Dangles have been received. They will be given to anyone registered for the whole festival with priority given to those who pre-registered.
- Karen has ribbons to identify people who only register for Friday or Saturday nights.

- Karen and Lynn will handle registration. Marge Page offered to help.

#### **Local Callers and Cuers**

- Buddy and the Ayres are contracted to call and cue Friday through Sunday.
- Andrith Davis & Michael, and Tamera will be the local cuers
- Greg Tillery, Kris Jensen, Robert Doyle, Jerry Gilbreath and Joey Solis will be the local callers.
- Local callers and cuers will call and cue Friday afternoon from 3-5 and Sunday morning.
- Local callers will sign in to call. The schedule will be set during the dance.

#### **New Business:**

##### **State Board Meeting**

- The State Board Meeting will be Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup> at noon. Out-going and in-coming officers should addend.
- Karen will get food for the meeting and ask at registration who will attend in order to get a count for food.

##### **Dance Attire**

- Saturday during the day – turquoise shirts for men and women
- Saturday night – black an silver skirts, black men's tops and pants

#### **Next Meetings:**

- None. We will touch base as necessary

**Meeting Adjourned:** 5:45 pm **Submitted by:** Lisa Miller, NMSRDA Secretary

**Date:** 5/3/2025