New Mexico Square and Round Dance Association (NMSRDA)

Mid-Term Meeting

January 18, 2025

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm by State President Karen Zakovec.

Minutes from 2024 State were approved as published.

Treasurers Report -

Currently have 122 NMSRDA Members – 69 from Central District, 28 from Southwest, and 25 from Southeast.

As of 01/18/2025, there has been income of \$2,879.00, Expenses of \$508.71 for a balance of \$2,370.29

Southeast District -

Hanging in there. Only one club dancing 1-2 squares at each dance. District Dance scheduled for March 8, 2025.

Southwest District -

In the process of finalizing plans for the 2026 Festival. Right now planning on the 3rd weekend in May, 2026 with Andy Allemao as featured caller.

Clubs in the district are maintaining with a couple clubs doing a little better.

Crossfires are no longer at Beltran Bridge Center. They are now dancing at Trails West.

Sierra Twirlers are dancing 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays.

Old Business -

Jerry Gilbreath, 2nd VP Squares -

Schedules are being worked out. State Callers will be calling both Friday and Saturday afternoons.

Bob Nolen, 2nd VP Rounds -

The annual round dance festival is scheduled for the first weekend after Labor Day. Currently set for Phase 4, 5 & 6. The festival had to be canceled in 2024 for lack of registrations. May drop the dance level back to 2, 3 & 4.

The cuers in the area that will be helping are Andrith Davis from Colorado, Gene and Denise Barreras from Colorado, Bob & Sally Nolen and Randy and Lorraine Pratt. We also have Tamara Mendoza from Roswell and a couple from Oklahoma. Will have two halls going during the weekend.

Fliers will be out in February and also in the Newsletter.

State 2025 Planned.

Have 26 people registered – a little over 3 squares. We need 8 squares to break even. Pre-registrations are needing to come in so we will know where we stand and can breath easier.

Saturday morning we are planning on an Introduction to Square Dancing and also an Introduction to Round Dancing. These will be an hour long from 9 to 10 am. Plan on getting some advertising out through Channel 13 and Fox. Hope to have them come in on Friday, video tape and advertise on the news for the next day. We will be posting information for the entire state on beginner dancing.

Callers at State -

State callers will be calling from 3:00 to 5:00 pm on Friday afternoon at the Trail End Dance. On Saturday, State callers will be in the small hall doing a plus workshop.

Buddy Weaver will be in the large hall, with a high energy dance. He will also be doing a Mainstream workshop from 3:30 to 4:30. There will be an Advanced dance/workshop from 4:30 to 5:30.

Raffle Basket requests from all districts. Create your own theme. State will be happy with any baskets that we can get.

Hall of Fame – no new nominations and no carried over. We haven't had any new inductees in about 3 years.

New State Officers for 2025 Festival -

Joey Solis as President
Jerry & Nikki Downing as Vice President
Shirley Sweetnam & Duane Smith as Treasurer
Joe & Cathy as Secretary
2nd VP - Squares
Tamara Mendoza as 2nd VP - Rounds

Other -

Karen thanked Central District for the dance to follow the meeting, and a thank you to everyone for attending the meeting.

Greg Tillery made a motion to adjourn, Marvin Carter 2nd. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Tillery, acting as secretary