



Minutes of HSRDC 1st Quarter Council Meeting

Frontier Squares

5:30 PM – Saturday, January 23, 2016



The meeting was called to order by HSRDC Vice President **Rick Goetz**.

The invocation was given by **Bob Lester**. We were reminded to remember some of our ailing square dance members and those who have passed away.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Rick Goetz**.

The quorum was determined by **Linda Reaves**.

Charles Woody led us through the 2016 executive board vote ratification process. The Executive Board made a recommendation to accept Linda & Jerry Edwards as the Presidents of HSRDC for 2016. Rick Goetz was recommended to move to the position of first Vice President. The 2nd Vice President's job will be vacant for this year. Charles asked for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, a vote was taken and all three recommendations were accepted. Charles Woody installed the newly elected officers: Linda & Jerry Edwards as Presidents and Rick Goetz as the 1st Vice President. The 2nd Vice President's job will be suspended in 2016 in accordance with the bylaws.

Linda Edwards, newly elected President, presided over the remainder of the meeting.

The 4th Quarter minutes were reviewed by **Linda Reaves** and accepted by President **Linda Edwards**.

The Treasurer's report was given by **Dave Laufenberg**. Dave gave a comprehensive financial report for the year 2015. He reported the net excess income for 2015 was \$1,262.31. He reminded the clubs to send him the annual HSRDC dues of \$25, which are due in January. The report will be filed for audit.

Gaylene Bynum, Insurance Director, reminded us to complete an incident report anytime a square dancer is injured while dancing. She needs to receive the completed form within 30 days of the accident. The incident report can be found on the HSRDC website.

Rick Goetz, 1st Vice President, gave his report about the TSFSRD meeting he attended in Mineola, Texas. He was inspired to help clubs to work together this year. The TSFSRD Nominating Committee recommended the following people to serve next year. President: Phil & Janet Abell, Vice President: Nora Creed, Treasurer: Curtis & Ruth Rutledge, and Secretary: Keith & Kathie Malone.

Linda Edwards reminded us that the HSRDC board would like to visit every club's Graduation and Anniversary Dances. The Board would like all special dances be put on the Special Dance Calendar on the website. Please also inform the Exec Board of your dates.

HSRDC Houston Hoedown 2016 will be held at Moody Gardens Convention Center on October 28 – 29. Mike Seastrom will be the featured Caller and Fred & Linda Ayres will be the featured Cuers. Houston Area Callers & Cuers will have the "Beat the Rush" dance Friday afternoon. Linda Edwards distributed flyers to each club. Houston Hoedown 2017 will also be held at Moody Gardens.

Roxie Walker and troop presented a short skit introducing us to the 2016 State Festival in Waco, Texas. The TSFSRD 54th Annual Texas State Square & Round Dance Festival will be held at the Waco Convention Center at 100 Washington Ave. on June 16-19, 2016. All dancers are invited to participate in mainstream, plus, DBD, advanced, line dancing and round dancing.

New Business:

- A.) HSRDC badges and bars were presented to new officers and committee members.
- B.) Reimbursements for cakes at graduations and anniversaries will continue in 2016. A member of the club must be present at the quarterly HSRDC meeting to receive the check.
- C.) The Visitations Award Program will be continued. Dancers should turn in a blue visitation card with 20 signatures to the Friendship Director. During each quarterly council meeting a \$50 gift certificate will be awarded to one of the dancers. To be eligible to receive the gift card incentive the club designated by the dancer as his " CLUB ", must have at least one club designated official present at the council meeting. The club representative MAY NOT BE THE DANCER OR ANY HSRDC OFFICER, ELECTED OR APPOINTED. A representative from the club must be present to win. **Nic Prado** presented the winner this quarter, **June Walston** from the Fairbees, with her gift certificate.
- D.) It was reported that we will not be selling water bottles at this time.
- E.) Teen Scholarship Dance and Trade 'N Buy will be cancelled on May 23rd. It may be rescheduled for July 18th.
- F.) **Susan Pittman**, our Where 'N When Editor, was recognized for all her hard work. She was honored with a plaque and a monetary gift.

Club Announcements were made by various clubs.

The **TSFSRD Conclave** will be held March 4 & 5 in Conroe.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30, and everyone was invited to stay for the President's Ball.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Reaves, Secretary for HSRDC