Grand River Squares Board Meeting 6/18/13

President: Peter Huschilt

Vice President: Kim Kennedy & Michelle Montague

Treasurer: Birthe Johannesen

Secretary: Kim Wood

Officers Present: Peter, Michelle, Kim W, Birthe, Kim K Others Present: Jim Molloy, Dave Fallen, Chuck Novak

Meeting was called to order at Park Church at 6:10pm

A) Minutes from Prior meeting were approved after a motion to clarify that the second 2014 caller was not confirmed.

B) Treasurer Update

Beginning Balance \$5805.77
Ending Balance \$5875.77
Deposits \$115.00
Expenses \$45.00

C) The agenda was presented and approved

D) Old Business

- Flutterbyes Dance Positive feedback from those who attended the dance. The Flutterbyes were welcoming and people had fun.
- ➤ Pride- 13 dancers showed up for pride. We ran out of dancers at 4:30. Feedback was positive. People liked the dance floor and said the booth was in a good location.
- > Summer Schedule
 - No dancing July 2nd
 - We can use the the fover of the Wealthy Street Annex for the September dance.
 - It was confirmed that Aaron Wells is calling for the September dance.
 - Joel agreed to a Thursday night party instead of a Tuesday night gathering
 - Fall callers for October and November dances will be put on July meeting schedule. Kim K. to bring a list of candidates and their last call dates for board review.
 - Chucks grille out July 16th. Wealthy street was canceled for that Tuesday. Chuck will provide more details as it gets closer.
 - July 23rd Jim will be calling
- ➤ Fly-in 2014 Peter to get together with Dave E to put together 2014 fly-in budget for July board meeting.
- Fly-in 2015 Need a chair for the 2015 fly-in. Group discussed what weekend it should be. It was suggested that we set the date for fly-in after a chairperson was decided.
- ➤ Gay Men's Chorus advertising The group agreed that we will put an advertisement in the next spring and fall programs..
- ➤ Power cord After purchase of the speakers we discovered that we need a power cord. Chuck found the cord and bought it. It was presented to the board that the club pay for the

- cord for \$22 and \$6 shipping. The board approved. Birthe to give Chuck the check.
- ➤ Closet space Our closet at the church is getting too full for new equipment. Dale, Jim and Chuck will sort though the caller stuff and toss unused things. This needs to happen soon as we are in the last week at the church.

E) New Business

- ➤ Delegates for IAGSDC Kim K. is our delegate and he will be attending. David E. is the alternate.
- Fly-in Registrations The Philadelphia club approached Chuck and asked if we would like to exchange fly-in registrations. The board agreed to do so for the 2015 fly-in.
- ➤ Paying Callers The question was raised if we should pay our club callers
 - Currently the club pays for the club callers weekly and annual dues, for caller labs and ASCAP license fees.
 - Chuck checked with other clubs on this matter and found that the Flutterbyes do not pay their callers but the callers run the club. They do not have a board. Arlene said \$35 to \$60 per hour for a 2 hour class is average. Chitown pays their callers \$125 but callers must pay for weekly dues, annual dues, caller labs and ASCAP license fees.
 - Questions were raised as to how much these clubs charge in weekly and annual fees. That wasn't known at the time.
 - This issue was tabled until the next board meeting.
- ➤ Policy & Procedure It was pointed out that our Policy and Procedures has inaccurate club fee amounts. Description of new dancer fees are not in writing and should be. Also suggested that we write up the club caller policy such as free caller labs, no annual dues, etc... Due to the size of the task it was suggested that we form a sub-committee to address this issue. Dave F. volunteered. Michelle to give Dave the latest version of our Policies.
- ➤ Network Membership & Advertising The board had questions on the cost and benefits of membership and the cost of advertising. The item was tabled until July's meeting.
- ➤ Holland Pride June 29th To be held Centennial Park. This is the first time it is held outside. They need support.
- ➤ Recruiting for the fall this was tabled until the July meeting
- F) The next board meeting is scheduled for July 30th at 6:00pm at the Wealthy Street Bakery.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted Kim Wood