

GRAND RIVER SQUARES BOARD MEETING

November 15, 2016
Park Church, 5:45 PM

PRESENT: Dave Eppelheimer, Brandon Heitzmann, Karen Kania, Birthe Johannesen, Carol Bauer, Chuck Novak

ABSENT: Peg McClure

Co-President Dave Eppelheimer called the meeting to order at 5:52 PM.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The October minutes were read aloud by Dave Eppelheimer. Spelling correction - Jim Molloy (not Malloy). No other changes were suggested. MOTION to accept the minutes as corrected made by Karen Kania and seconded by Dave Eppelheimer, motion carried.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Per Karen, some of the locations of dances were not included on the website; she will inform Dave Fallen of them.

Mike Kellogg's contract was signed at the Toronto convention. Location of the contract is unknown at this time. It could possibly be with either Fly-In Co-Chair, Dave Fallen or Kim Wood, and Chuck will check with both of them for it.

We don't have a second caller scheduled for the 2018 Fly-In yet; this needs to be settled soon.

Should we use Mt. Mercy more often for a dance venue? Holding dances here makes them more special and sets them apart from lessons. The question was raised as to how the \$100 rent for monthly dances at Park Church is used, to cover costs, or for special funds of the church? Money donated to Mt. Mercy is used for their food bank.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Birthe)

Expenses

Park Church rent	\$ 80
flowers-3 people	\$120.61

<u>Balance</u> , end of October	\$7,835.00
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Reminder: Club dues of \$20.00 are due *before* January 1st.

CALLERS' REPORT: Chuck will assign warm-up callers for the club dance and let Karen and Dave Fallen know who they are.

FLY-IN REPORT: Neither co-chair was present, are they being notified of our meetings? The Fly-In Co-Chairs will be reminded via e-mail to attend Board meetings. A Fly-In Chairman is needed for the 2018 weekend.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Karen Kania will contact Mt. Mercy to see if we can get in there for our next three dances. If there is a problem with that, we will keep the dances at Park Church. Maureen is the contact person at Mt. Mercy with the keys and who lets us in at 5:45 PM. Karen made a MOTION to change our club dance location to Mt. Mercy for January, February and March 2017; this was seconded by Birthe and passed unanimously.

Past club dances have been held on the third Saturday. Should we keep them on this date? (everyone agreed that we should.) Should we try to get callers other than those we've had recently?

The Comerica Bank branch near Birthe which she has been using for the club treasury is closing; she would like to move our money elsewhere. Money needs to be in a non-interest bearing business account. It was agreed she can move it wherever it's convenient for her.

Suggestions for a second caller for the 2018 Fly-In are Ken Burke, Hunter Keller, Chris Jensen, Ett McAtee and Betsy Gotta. We are still open for other suggestions, especially for female or younger callers.

Karen made a MOTION that we have contracts for our club dance callers as well; this was seconded by Chuck, and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be held January 17, 2017.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Bauer,
Secretary