GRAND RIVER SQUARES BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 Park Church, 5:45 PM

PRESENT: David Eppelheimer, Brandon Heitzmann, Karen Kania,, Peg McClure, Birthe Johannesen, Carol Bauer, Chuck Novak, Dave Fallen, Kim Wood

Co-President David Eppelheimer called the meeting to order at 5:50 PM.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Carol Bauer read aloud the minutes from the January 17, 2017 meeting. MOTION was made by Dave Eppelheimer to accept those minutes as written; this was seconded by Peg McClure. Carol also read the minutes from the emergency meeting held on 1/24/17. MOTION to approve them was made by Dave Eppelheimer.

VICE-PRESIDENTS' REPORT:

Karen Kania still has not heard back from Bobby Poyner about whether he would be interested in calling dances for GRS. She also asked Ken Burke which month of 2018 he would like to call for: January, February or March. We would also like to have Michael Maltenfort back in 2018.

Peg McClure requested input regarding who to have as a second caller for the 2018 Fly-In; we already have Mike Kellogg as one caller. Suggested choices were Hunter Keller or Kris Jensen; Chuck's suggestion was Kris Jensen as first choice and Hunter Keller as second choice. Peg and Karen therefore will first contact Kris to see if she will call for our 2018 Fly-In.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Birthe Johannesen reviewed our monthly figures. Briefly, we had \$1,525 in income, \$295.50 in fixed expenses, \$15.04 in variable expenses, with an ending cash balance of \$9,806.29.

FLY-IN REPORT:

Dave Fallen reports registration of 34 dancers, 17 of whom are our own club members. He says usually numbers will go up shortly before the price changes on March 1st. Nine registrants dance C-1 level.

Karen brought up the question of whether to start dancing at 11:30 on Saturday rather than 12:00 as she felt club members could use more time between the afternoon and evening dance sessions to prepare their food for the buffet dinner. Karen made a MOTION to change the Saturday start time from 12:00 to 11:30; this was seconded by Brandon. Motion carried. Peg/Karen will notify the callers of the time change, then Dave Fallen will change information on the website. It was decided to send out an e-mail in mid-March to notify dancers of this change, which would also serve as a reminder to register for the dance if they have not done so yet.

Peg/Karen will bring containers for people to taken some dishes home after the buffet to wash and return in time for the Continental breakfast on Sunday. We will be using only the upstairs of the Latvian Hall for breakfast and dancing on Sunday, which will save us \$200.00. Back half of the room (nearest the kitchen) will be set up for breakfast and front half will be for dancing. When we are done eating, the remaining food will be placed on the kitchen counters with the rest of the snacks.

Kim Wood would like to have an announcement regarding the 2018 Fly-In ready for distribution at

the 2017 Fly-In. However, we first need to have someone volunteer to be the Chairman, then decide on a theme.

CALLER'S REPORT:

Chuck found out that the Mt. Mercy hall is unavailable to us for the Nick Hartley dance on October 15. He suggested Faith United Methodist Church or Park church as alternatives.

Chuck received an e-mail from Fox-17. They would like to interview him and film some square dancing. He will ask the dancers tonight if they would mind being filmed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion of the Nick Hartley dance was tabled until next month.

Our next meeting will be on March 21 at Park Church, 5:45 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Bauer, Secretary