

**Chattahoochee Country Dancers
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes - Approved
November 8, 2009**

Start Time: 6:30 PM

Adjourn Time: 8:30 PM

Much Appreciated Host: Angelika Pohl

Attendees:

Steering Committee: Jim Crawford, David Digby, Rob Harper, Jennifer Horrocks, Sherry Kilpatrick, Robert McGregor, Angelika Pohl, Robbin Ryan, Tim Timmer

Meeting was called to order at 6:35p by Rob Harper, President. The minutes of the October meeting were discussed.

Motion: Approve the October 10, 2009 minutes as presented. (Made by Angelika Pohl. Seconded by Jim Crawford. Passed by voice vote with none opposed.)

The December meeting was scheduled for December 13 and will be hosted by Jennifer Horrocks. The January meeting will be scheduled at the December meeting to allow incoming committee members to have input.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Band Practices and Policies Committee (BPPC) had their first public meeting with approximately thirty people attending. A considerable amount of input and feedback was received regarding the music and aspects that people felt “drives” the dance. This information and what the committee should do with it was also discussed. The committee is working together effectively and plans to hold future public input and feedback meetings.

For organizational finances, Rob presented a summary of recent Friday night attendance. The SC members found this useful and would like to see the Treasurer prepare other financial reports for review at each meeting. As the fiscal year for CCD runs from June 1 to May 31 each year, we should expect our tax return to be available in January or February.

A discussion was then held regarding getting back previous dancers as well as keeping new dancers. One suggestion was to post sound clips on the website for each of our local bands.

The Nominating Committee to determine the new slate of SC members is Lilian Bryan, Cis Hinkle, Wayne Kirchner, Bill Porter and George Snyder. Bill will serve as chair. They are seeking nominations to replace retiring members David Digby, Rob Harper and Angelika Pohl. Qualifications to serve on the Steering Committee, such as knowledge of week-to-week operations as well as continued interest in CCD, were discussed. Elections will be held December 18, with announcements of the upcoming election being made two weeks prior to the election.

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NOVEMBER DANCE WEEKEND

The current early registration for the November dance weekend and anticipated walk-ins for each dance are projected to put the attendance over the numbers for 2008. A special notice was made of Roger McLain's volunteering to move sound equipment, kitchen necessities (coolers, plastic and paper kitchen goods) and lights to the Decatur Rec Center. Robbin Ryan also noted that there still quite a few gaps in the registration desk hours and requested that folks sign up to help there.

CHRISTMAS NIGHT DANCE (Friday 12/25)

As Christmas night falls on our regular Friday night we still need to fill some of our talent roles. None of the regular bands or callers are available. Currently there are two bands - Free Association and Jamie Laval\Sandi Goldring – available. George Snyder is checking his availability. Sound and front desk are still not filled. The regular sound techs are not available, so Rob will reach out to an expanded list of potential sound techs to see if someone is available.

Christmas charitable donations were discussed. It was felt that one of the many functions at CCC might be a logical and neighborly option for the CCD to support. Angelika and Linda Graves will focus on this once the festival is behind us.

NEW YEAR'S WEEKEND

Bands and callers have been lined up for Thursday, December 31 (New Years Eve) and Friday, January 1 (New Years Day). Jennifer and Kimbi Hagen are still working on lining up a band for January 2. The Musselwhite Family Band is a potential. It was planned that the annual lighting in the dance hall continue as well as the "shoe drop" on New Years Eve. Food and beverages will be potluck. CCD will provide lemonade, water and serving items. Since the sound equipment will be set up throughout the weekend, Rob is exploring the idea of having a "community" dance on New Years Day in the afternoon.

Motion to adjourn made by Tim Timmer. Seconded by Sherry Kilpatrick. Passed by voice vote with none opposed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10p.

Respectfully submitted by Sherry Kilpatrick, Secretary

These minutes were approved by the CCD Steering Committee at the December 13, 2009 meeting by voice vote with all in favor and none opposed.