

THIRD MVFD COUNCIL MEETING - 1978

Date: February 6, 1978

Place: Home of Carole Pappas

Attendees: Council - Sam Ballinger, Bruce Cantrell, Carole Pappas,
Hulon Shows, and Carolyn Stovall

Visitors - Ann Ballinger, Jeanne Gulden, and John Pappas

Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. They were approved as read.
Sam Ballinger read the Treasurer's report and it was approved as read.

John Pappas brought the council up-to-date on last year's unfinished business. They are as follow:

- 1) Request to dance at a national meeting of the Neighborhood and Parishes Council which will be held at Bergamo, May 5. This is to be international dancing, representing as many different countries as possible.
- 2) Greek workshop changed from May 6 and 7 to April 29 and 30.
- 3) Promotion of folkdancing activities - Insufficient last year. (John Pappas, Adele Nellis and Ken Steed were appointed as a committee to promote folkdancing. They will be authorized to add to this committee if they see fit. Council also authorized an expense fund for this purpose.)
- 4) Keys turned over to chairman.
- 5) Repertoire Committee - (Council will refer this back to the original committee.)

Pat Hennessey and George Jackson were appointed to audit the Treasurer's book.

Chair recommendations - (Attached) *accepted by the Council*

Reviewed Methods of Operations and agreed to adopt it as written.

Report of new program committee's first meeting:

- 1) Anne Beattie was elected chairman.
- 2) Ethnic Sundays were tentatively set up as follows:
Feb. - Hungarian; Mar. - Israeli; Apr. - American; May - Greek;
July - British Isles; Aug. - Romance; Sept. - Russian; Oct. - Balkan

Secretary was asked to notify Columbus, Cincinnati and Muncie, Ind. of ethnic Sundays as soon as they are finalized.

Council asked program committee to emphasize ethnic Sundays, ethnic dishes, dress, displays, background of dances, posters, etc. They were also asked to plan at least six months ahead so that we can notify other clubs, and to advertise in the form of posters at the pavilion approximately two weeks in advance.

Council will guide the program committee to review dances already known of that *particular* ethnic background, and to reduce the numbers of dances taught. Also, to plan the *program* *through the* ethnic Sunday ~~for~~ Feb. 1979 so the new committee has a chance to get organized.

Program committee was given permission to purchase records they see a need to buy. Council also authorized them to give \$15.00 (unless she has a stated fee) to our March ethnic Sunday Israeli instructor.

Program committee was also asked to see that absolutely no teaching is done during our scheduled Thursday programs. Teaching is reserved for 9-9:30. Only quick run-throughs will be permitted. If the person in charge of a program desires to teach a dance, he or she must notify the program comm. and that will be arranged during the 9-9:30 teaching period. We are asking the program committee to make a survey of the club on dances they would like to have retaught from 9-9:30, or perhaps an ethnic Sunday of these requests. They were also asked to see that anytime a dance is taught, that clear instructions for that dance are put into our book. *Also dances taught at the 9-9:30 period should be taught with the intent of purchasing a record if the club does not have one.*

Council established as its goal for this year a membership of 100:

- a) Ann Ballinger was selected to send cards to those who do not attend beginner classes for the past six months, and to be responsible for follow-up on members who have been absent for the past three months.
- b) Jewel and Ken Steed to be host and hostess to visitors.
- c) Promotion committee

Workshops - Program Committee was asked to survey in order of preference for a Fall, 1978 and Spring, 1979 workshop.

Council gave Hulon permission to call Rose Ann Mills to ask her to continue as refreshment chairman. Club will not assume responsibility for monthly refreshments - up to \$10.00 plus coffee.

Demonstrations -- Chairman of council is to be aware of all demonstrations, and to survey our people to see how they feel about them, and whether they would like to participate. *if practice sessions and special clothing is required. Further discussion and actions needed after survey.*

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole E. Pappas

Carole E. Pappas, Secretary

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL MEETING

CHAIR RECOMMENDATIONS:

Meetings February, July, October

All other business be on call 7:00 - 8:00 dance nights with one item or issue to be announced prior to meeting.

Chair will only announce to club decisions as decided by Council or committees upon their requests.

Any item or decision for which the Council is unanimous in their vote or no objections it will be considered that this also is representative of the club feelings therefore, action will be taken on the Council's decision.

If there is a split in the Council vote or one person objects, there will be an effort made to reconcile the difference so we are unanimous. Otherwise the Council will analyse the minority vote and determine if a poll or survey should be made of the club. A survey or poll of the club does not mean that the results of the poll will be adhered to. The Council will still vote but with the knowledge of the club's desire.

The secretary's report need only record the final position of an item, issue or decision and whether it was approved. There is no need to record discussions or personalities involved. If there is a minority position desired, it will be recorded. Issues or items which are not approved do not have to be recorded unless the minority so requests.

There is nothing in the By-Laws requiring past precedence be followed unless specifically a part of the By-Laws. Past experience and precedence is a good reason to base a decision but it is not automatic.

Decisions by the Council affecting a committee and its assignment will not be made without the chair-person or a representative, being present to express the views of the committee.

There will be no closed meetings. Also at meetings other members will be invited to express their view or raise objections. When there are no objections to the specific statement, this will be considered an unanimous vote of approval. Otherwise a vote will be taken only of Council members. Any member of the Council may call for a ballot which will be honored to prevent prolonged discussions. Any member of the Council may call for a vote at any time they consider the Council is ready to vote.

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If ~~major~~ policy or an issue in which the club should hear or present discussion a special meeting will be called normally to be held on the nearest ethnic Sunday with two weeks notice. Only the announced agenda item(s) will be discussed.

Any suggestion from a member will be handled diplomatically. Suggest the person be requested to write down his suggestion, or the Council member help the person express it in writing. Be sure to submit the name of the suggestor so we can give credit to ~~him~~ the person. If the Council rejects the suggestion, the Council must also give the person a reason.

When a committee is appointed, the committee will be given a statement of objectives, goals, any guidelines and desired date of completion if applicable. When completed, the committee will be thanked & the minutes reflect the action.