

FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF MIAMI VALLEY FOLK DANCE COUNCIL

Tuesday evening, January 29, 1985

PLACE: Home of John Pappas

Attending: John Pappas, Sam Ballinger, Joanne Dombrowski, John Puterbaugh, and Marjorie Darragh

Meeting was called to order and minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Treasurer reported we took in \$542.53 in January making a total of \$2,047.11 in the treasury. Secretary read a list of suggestions and guidelines which she typed up from reports by the program chairmen given at the 1984 and 1985 annual meetings. This list was requested by Ed Anderson, 1984 Program Chairman, which he will give to the new program committee for guidance.

Old Business:

Yves Moreau Weekend - A call was placed to Yves and his wife advised he is in Norway. She thought the first weekend in November would not be convenient for him, so Nov. 9-10 was tentatively set as a date for the workshop. We will request permission to use one of the following centers for Saturday, Nov. 9: first choice Burkhardt, second Bomberger, and Lohrey third choice. Since Nov. 10 falls on the second Sunday, we will be able to use the Solomon Pavilion that day and save some money.

New Business:

The following committees were set up for 1985:

Promotion - Dick Clair

Kitchen - Zora Krainz

Orientation Class - Ann Ballinger

Thursday night refreshments - Dottie Santi

Tape Committee - John Pappas and Harry Khamis

Miami Valley Dance Council Representative - Lou Hyll

Program Committee -

Carolyn Stovall - now serving until July 1

Truus Van DerSluijs - to replace Carolyn July 1

Other new members - Gitta Reck, Carole Pappas, Jim Wooley and Lily Ulrich

Committee to purchase new tape recorder (with variable speeds) - Harry Khamis, John Pappas, and Lou Hyll

Russian Workshop with Alexandru David - Feb. 14:

John Pappas and Co-Chairman, Joanne Dombrowski, reported Alexandru had called. He said he will not decide which dances to teach until the workshop, depending on the ability of the dancers. However, he will bring a syllabus for us so that we will be able to make copies of dances taught and have them for reference. He also advised he will bring recordings with instructions and have them for sale. He will teach for 3 hours - 7:30 to 10:30 with request dancing from 7 to 7:30 and from 10:30 to 11. His fee is \$100.00 plus transportation from nearby city. Council will request the Program Committee to review the new dances he teaches on our Ethnic Sunday in March.

Snow Assignments: Council members were given names of members they should call in case of inclement weather cancelling Thursday night dance or Ethnic Sunday.

Promotion of Folk Dancing:

Council had a discussion of possible ideas which could be used to promote folk dancing in this area, as well as increase our own membership. It was decided to have posters made up and flyers which could be handed out or posted in various places. John* suggested we *(Pappas) try and get some of the libraries interested in having a collection of folk dance records, instructions etc. for people interested, as well as advertising our club if they permit having flyers available for people to pick up. Sam will have 1000 flyers reproduced for distribution in various locations. We will also have our members put flyers up in their workplaces (if allowed) and other locations. We also decided it would be a good idea to have a "Welcome Back Night" for past members and try and get them interested in coming again. We might have a carry-in dinner that night. It was suggested we ask Grace Wolff to chair this event with everyone helping contact past members. It was decided not to have this until fall in order to really plan well for it.

Next Council meeting was tentatively set for Tuesday, April 30, 7:30 p.m. at Marjorie Darragh's. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Darragh
Marjorie Darragh, Secy.

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cc: John Pappas
Sam Ballinger
Joanne Dombrowski
John Puterbaugh