

Laughing Squares of Indianapolis, Inc.
February 14, 2019
Meeting Minutes

President Jerry Hale called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.; there were 15 members present.

Treasurer Lisa Dee Guy presented the Treasurer's report for January. She noted that the total expenses should have been written as \$608.25 while the income was \$777.50, netting an increase for the year and month of \$169.25. She explained that the "IDA Membership" paid last month was actually IDA Insurance. Nina Upton made a motion that the corrected report be accepted; Donna Hale seconded it and the motion carried.

Fred Mosemiller, Secretary, read the minutes of the January 10, 2019, meeting. Bill Garrison moved and Marcia Elliott seconded a motion to accept the minutes as read; the motion carried.

Marcia, Cheer Committee, reported that she'd sent no cards this month other than the two signed and sent after our last meeting.

Melinda Dimiceli reported that the audit done last month was fine. Jerry announced he will contact IDA Area Chair Carol Derbin to see how we should handle helping with set up and take down at the New Dancers Round Up in April.

Since Krannert, due to another commitment, cannot accommodate our dance on August 8th, we discussed three options: cancel the dance, dance at another location, or move the date of the dance. Marti Mosemiller mentioned that while there is already another area dance on August 15th, August 1st, while just a week after our second July dance and with Andrew Berger calling, would be our first dance with Zelmer Daugherty in two months and should draw a big crowd. Bill suggested we might use a church in Clermont; Jerry is checking with the church just south of Krannert. It was decided that after we find out about the availability of the two alternate locations, we will make a final decision at our March meeting.

After discussion of plans for a graduation for the current class, it was decided to ask current caller/instructor Gary Hutton when he anticipated the class being ready to graduate. It was decided it would be a free graduation dance/final lesson open to all, that Jan Smith would be asked if she would like to have a demo round dance that evening, and that both cake and punch would be served. Marti will contact state club presidents, Scott Roberts will prepare a flyer and Jan Dunaway will arrange for refreshments. (After checking with Gary after the meeting, Jerry contacted Krannert which approved the use of the room for the graduation celebration now scheduled for March 26th.)

It was decided that we would have Square Dance Apparel Giveaways on both February 26th and March 5th, during our lessons; the announcement will be made at our February 19th meeting and members/angels will be reminded to allow students to select clothing first.

There was discussion of possible DBD (Dancing By Definition—you dance in any position, not by “sex” or “gender”) lessons or a workshop. Jack Robinson, who has participated in DBD lessons previously, pointed out possible pitfalls and concerns. Jerry will talk with Zelmer to see if he’s interested in pursuing DBD; Gary is also a possible teacher.

Jerry reminded everyone that our next dance, February 28th, is our Cherry Dessert Dance.

Jan, Refreshments, reported the Chili Dance was a lot of work with much chili left over; there was discussion about limiting themed dances that require extra food/room/work, including the Ice Cream Social. Donna Hale suggested the July 25th dance be a Luau Dance. Marti suggested that, since we have no assigned Anniversary Dance this year, the October 24th dance should be our 61st Anniversary Dance, with both cider and doughnuts being served; she will contact Ron Burger, our webmaster, about the changes.

Jerry adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Fred and Marti Mosemiller
Secretaries