

**E.O.S.A.R.D.A. Council of Dancers Meeting Minutes  
April 17 2016**

**St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall  
425 Center St. at Dibble, Prescott, ON**

Board In attendance: Dave Western, Gavin Currie, Jim Sawtell, Jane Trach, Jim Trach, Dave Currie, Pierre Reinhard, Richard Sharman, Mary Anne Reinhard, June Tripp, Barbara Englehart, Ronald Gardner, Andy Himberg-Larsen

Regrets: Bob Summers, Bruce Warner

**Represented Clubs and Representatives at COD**

Adams Aces		
Bay Waves	Christine Jameus	Susan Harford
Capital Carousels	Gavin Currie	Ziggy Segstro
Charmin Promenaders	Wendy VanderMeulen	Helen Mac Cullum
Got Lines	Dave Western	
Harbour Lites	Germain Hull	Gerald Casselman
Kanata Squares	Marie Currie	Dave Currie
Grenville Gremlins	Mary Power	Bernie Power
Round Tuit Dancers	James Sawtell	Gerry Sawtell
Riverside Gypsy	Pierre Reinhard	Mary Anne Reinhard
Meri Squares	Ann Davelaar	June Tripp
Mississippi Squares		
OSRDF	Peter Courdin	Karen Remy
Ottawa Date Squares	Benoit Renault	Robert Dunlop
Sunshine Squares	Jim Kearns	Diane Kearns
Swinging Swallows	Bill Shields	Renton Patterson
Swinging Bs	Teresa MacInnis	Joan Gaudieall
Seaway Squares	Harold Moore	Marie Moore
Village Squares		

1. Call to Order            13:34            - Dave Western

2. Confirmation of a quorum            - Barbara Englehart

Quorum verified

3. Opening remarks            - Dave Western            **See Attached #1**

4. Approval of the draft agenda            - Dave Western

5. Approval of Minutes of the November 2015 Council of Dancers - **Passed**

**6. Reports**

6.1) Operations Committee

6.1.1) Financial Report            - Charlene Gardner **See Attached #2**

Wendy VanderMeulen – Will we have surplus?

Charlene Gardner – June 30 – Yes we will have a surplus

### 6.1.2) Registrar's Report

- Barbara Englehart – **Nil Report**

- Discussion on number of new and returning dancers. + 10 overall

Peter Courdin OSRDF – Society reports 1058 for 14/15 and 939 15/16

Charlene Gardner: Working with Peter Piazza on the totals

Peter Courdin OSRDF : 99% of registrations should be in before January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Dave Western: We are up 10 Dancers overall

James Sawtell - Round Tuit Dancers: Have you addressed Callers and Cuers issues, Federation reports 0 Callers and Cuers?

Charlene Gardner: Yes I have sent all the information about who is a caller or cuer.

### 6.2) Publicity, Promotions and Publishing Committee - Mary Anne Reinhard – **Nil Report**

Packages for each club – Ideas of what has been successful in promotion of Dancing.

#### **ACTION: Clubs**

**Look at the Rough draft and feedback my May 30 to Mary Anne Reinhard**

Federation rebate form - link not working at the moment

Ann Davelaar - Meri Squares: Congratulation on working so hard. To Mary Anne and her team.

### 6.3) Dance Committee

- Barbara Englehart – **Nil Report**

#### **ACTION: Suggestion on Frosty Fling 2016 and 2017**

Mary Anne Reinhard : Traverler Dangle sheet on the table, Drop off to any EOSARDA Director or your Presidents

### 6.4) Information Technology Committee

- Bob Summers – **Nil Report**

Teresa McInnis – Swinging Bees: any Facebook pictures must have permission to post, using people faces in any picture on any social media should have permissions

Dave Western: Privacy is very important. Bob has been doing a great job on the websites and working with Federation on the links.

Mary Power - Grenville Gremlins: Some of us don't have Facebook and we never use it.

Dave Western: Facebook is only used in addition to all the other forms of promotion we use. It is not replacing eodance or any other regular communication method.

### 6.5) Club Liaison, Recognition and Awards Committee - Richard Sharman - **See Attached #9**

50 mail chimp, Any Individual can apply for mailchimp and have them sent directly to them.

#### **ACTION: Clubs – make sure you forward the Mail Chimps to your members.**

Yearend Celebrations are all organized

Celebrations: Cornwall's 40<sup>th</sup> and Charmin Promenaders in May.

Peter Courdin OSRDF : Federation need some lead time to produce any certificates for such events. Please get the information to them as soon as possible.

#### 6.6) Ottawa Area Callers Association (OACA) - David Currie – See Attached #4

Wendy and John will have a workshop on June 10 or 11th Practical and Theory

Teresa McInnis – Swinging Bees: sometimes we are holding back the progress of the teaching. We need to have more fun nights.

Ann Davelaar - Meri Squares: Confusion in the list 52 steps what happens next year

David Currie: explained the Basic 50 program. The club callers will organize to make sure that everyone is learning all the moves.

Dave Western: at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year all will be at the same level for both C 50 or B 40 teaching methods. C50 drops some of the Basic moves they may need later. This is in an attempt to keep it fun and interesting.

Peter Courdin: down south they are just teaching and dancing during the evenings. Some clubs want to promote faster to the higher levels.

#### 6.7) Round Dance Teachers Association (RDTA) - Jim Sawtell – Nil Report

No one want to be on the board, no meetings for a couple years. May close the Association.

Ann Davelaar – Do the Cuers want Input from EOSARDA?

Jim Sawtell: No it seems like they don't want input.

Dave Western: Seem to have be a difference in the program styles, more difficult to move from 1 level to another.

#### 6.8) SVSRDA - ??

Has been doing very well, Christmas dance and upcoming Mother day dance.

45 new dancers, swing into Spring is successful. New president.

SIS already has 160 people registered.

#### 6.9) Ontario Square and Round Dance Federation - Peter Courdin– See Attached #8

Charlene Gardner: how much in grants did you give out last year

Peter Courdin: \$200 only

Dave Western: Federation never gives out all its allotment, clubs are not asking for re embersments.

Peter Courdin: Only Napenee applies to both EOSARDA and Federation. Perhaps there is a loss in communication.

Jim Kearns sunshine squares: why are the two associations providing subsidies.

Dave Western: explained why we have two associations. EOSARDA will give up to \$250. Federation will give up to \$200 in expenses.

### 7. Business Arising from the Minutes

#### 7.1) Young Dancer Initiative and your Club - Dave Western

Dave Western: We still have \$4000 we need to give out to promote Square and Round Dancing. We have not gotten any proposals yet.

We can use this to promote round dancing as well.

Gerald Casselman - Harbour Lites: Sent out information to groups, only one group approached them, will try again Hard to adjust to the kids schedule Young doe not want to dance with the seniors.

Discussion on how to raise awareness in the area.

Dave Western: We have DVD/CD that can be used to teach in school or other area if needed.

Gerald Casselman: our callers are over worked as it is. We need more callers. Who is available during the day?

Dave Western: has asked the callers association and they said they will support this initiative. All depends on the availability of the Callers or cuers

Peter Courdin: Some clubs with young members, would the young members be willing to reach out to their friends?

Andy Himberg-Larsen: we have a couple groups with young dancers and they are happy to dance with Old people.

Dave Western: Dancing with old people US nationals most kids did not want to dance in the youth rooms they wanted to dance with the adult rooms more advanced.

Comments:

- Young people want to dance with young people
- We should focus on young callers and cuers,
- We should target youth groups and have young people call their friends in to the groups.

Karen Remy: The youth room was being used as a babysitting room.

Callerlab – do we have demos of young dancers to show these youth groups?

Bernie Power - Grenville Gremlins: had young people in their group, the only way to get young people and keep them interested is having a blitz teach, they pickup fast and keeps them interested.

## 7.2) Round Dance Working Group

- Ziggy Segstro – See Attached #7

### **Biggest problem: No Cuers**

Hard to teach new cuers if they have not been dancing for years.

Dave Western: it is not a choice between Square Dancing and Round Dancing. It is sad to see the decline

Ziggy Segstro: We don't have a teacher in the evenings, No cuers available.  
Most old round dancers do not want to learn to Cue.

## 7.3) Swing into Spring 2016 & 2017

- Andy Himberg Larsen

Teresa MacInnis : discussed the details of the SIS weekend, Waiting of final numbers  
Brunch and mother day dance on Sunday, 40 round dancers registered.

Jane Trach : Is Swing into spring Associated with EOSARDA? How does insurance work?

Dave Western: We are all covered by the Federation insurance, EOSARDA and SVSARDA are working together the help SIS, EOSARDA is the Support behind the SIS and will help in any way possible leaving any surplus to be kept by SVSARDA for upcoming years.

Andy Himberg-Larsen: SIS 2017 May 5-7

## **8. New Business**

### 8.1) Round Table Discussion

“EOSARDA What are we doing right? Where are improvements needed?” - Dave Western

Wendy VanderMeulen: EOSARDA doing a great job, well organized and Great president. Thank you for bringing back Fall Fest.

Bernie Power - Grenville Gremlins: eodance – very good website very useful, he uses it to promote activities – fantastic job.

Ann Davelaar: had not heard about Plus teach. John Charman Teaches plus in Meri Squares.

Sunshine Squares has workshops. Wendy teaches plus this summer.

8.2) Sample Publicity Package - Mary Anne Reinhard

Comments required back to Mary Anne by end of May

8.3) Dance Program 2016/17 - Barbara Englehart

8.4) Election of Directors for 2016/17 - Dave Western - **See Attached #5**

**Motion to Adopt this list of nominees: Ziggy Segstro 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Anne Reinhard - Passed**

Nomination:

Ann Davelaar: Do you ask people what their strengths are or do they volunteer for jobs

Dave Western: We allow people to volunteer for tasks and positions on the board of directors.

Nominees:

Ann Davelaar

Benoit Renault Robert Dunlop

8.5) Election of Federation Representatives - Dave Western

Nominations:

Peter Courdin & Karen Remy

Jane Trach & Jim Trach

**Motion to accept: Benoit Renault, 2<sup>nd</sup> Diane Kearns all in favor, Passed**

8.6 Electronic version of Square Time - Richard Sharman

**Propose:** make available to anyone but still print copies

Hope each club will still purchase at least one hard copy.

**Motion: To make available an electronic copy of the Square times for the public free of charge, while maintaining a hard copy for those who want a hard copy, archives and distribution lists.**

Motion : Richard Sharman 2<sup>nd</sup> Ziggy Segstro **Passed - no opposition**

Discussion:

Peter Courdin: Great idea would be nice to access on line.

Benoit Renault: would electronic copies be access by anyone

Richard Sharman: yes will be in a PDF format.

Dave Western: more accessible to more people we send out a number of copies and will continue We may even eliminate hard copies in the future.

Jim Kearns: will we continue to charge for advertising in the electronic version and promote dances?

Richard Sharman: Yes we will and be able to promote more events not limited to the number of pages.

Mary Power: will we still be able to get the printed copy? And that it will not disappear?

Dave Western: We will keep going forward with printing a paper copy of the ST. It will encourage all clubs to get 1 printed copy that would help keep it possible.

Mary Anne Reinhard: in Square Times we have a lot of printed photos, will this violate privacy?

Peter Courdin: you can print out your own PDF version if you require a hard copy allowing individual and clubs to have more flexibility in their distribution.

Wendy VanderMeulen: privacy issues, thought you can't identify people in a picture without their permission.

\*\*Discussion on the validity and possible issues with posting pictures. No conclusion on this.

## **9. Other business**

- a) Date and location of next Council of Dancers

**Submitted by  
Ronald Gardner  
Secretary**

**Next COD  
NOV 20<sup>th</sup> 2016 Citizen Building 1:30 – 4:00**

## **Reports:**

### **Attachment #1 - Submitted by Dave Western**

Opening Remarks - Council of Dancers April 17, 2016

Good afternoon and welcome to the April 2016 Council of Dancers and our 2016 Annual General Meeting.

If any of you have not yet signed in, please do so now, and if you are representing a club, please make sure that the name of the club is clearly indicated. (PRINT legibly please, Ron has to try and read it later.)

If you don't have one, a few copies of the agenda are available on the back table.

We will take a fifteen minute break around 2:45 at which time we will have tea/coffee and snacks. Please resume your seats promptly at the end of the break.

Under EOSARDA's Constitution and By-laws:

- Any registered dancer may attend and speak at the meeting,
- But only Club Representatives have a vote.
- Each registered club may have up to 2 representatives both of whom may vote on any issue before the Council.
- However, no individual Club Rep may vote more than once on any issue (you don't get two votes if you are the only rep from your club)
- Directors cannot vote unless they are also Club Reps.
- The Board is bound by any decision or direction issued by this Council.

When addressing Council, please keep in mind that, no matter how notorious you may think you are, you are not necessarily known to everyone in the hall. The Secretary in particular needs to know who you are and what club you represent. That way he will know who to blame when making up the Minutes and also who to contact if there are any questions about what was said. When addressing the meeting for the first time, please clearly state your name and club affiliation before contributing to the discussion.

Those of you with prepared texts are asked to submit them to the Secretary electronically as soon as possible after the meeting.

To enable this Council to make decisions and to elect a new Board, a quorum of 25% of Member Clubs is required. We currently have 30 clubs registered as Members of EOSARDA, so a quorum is 8 clubs. Madame Registrar, can you confirm that we have enough Member Clubs present to allow us to continue?

This afternoon your Board of Directors will be reporting to you on the Board's activities over the course of the past year. We will also be sharing with you our plans and hopes for the next dance year.

Are there any other items that anyone would like to add to the agenda?

Also this afternoon you will be electing a new Board of Directors to lead your Association through the 2016/17 Dance Year. While a number of Directors have agreed to continue to serve on the Board for another year, for which I thank them most sincerely, eight Board members have tendered their resignations, among them, some of our longest serving Board Members

Not returning next year are: Bruce Warner, Chuck and Billi Langtry, Pierre and Mary Anne Reinhard, June Tripp and Jane and Jim Trach. I would like to thank all of them for their service to the Square and Round Dance movement, with particular thanks to Bruce, Chuck and Billi for their very many years of service on the Board. All will be missed.

In this regard I would like to say a few words about EOSARDA.

When it comes to EOSARDA there is no “we” and “them”. And, as Pogo says in the cartoon that you found on your seat when you came in, “We have met the enemy and he is us”.

This Association exists because its member clubs want it to exist. The programs that EOSARDA runs and the dances that it organizes are done at the request of and hopefully with the full support of our membership. EOSARDA does not exist to impose its will on its member clubs or to dictate how they operate. EOSARDA is neither a regulatory nor a governing body.

Our task is to promote square and round dancing across Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec and to provide assistance to clubs as needed.

From time to time I hear that some people or some clubs are not satisfied with some of the things that EOSARDA does or the way that it operates.

This afternoon, you will have the opportunity to let Council and next year’s Board of Directors know what you think your association is doing well and where it is falling short. I can assure you that your comments will be listened to and will be given careful consideration .

But if your association is to continue to fulfill the role that you want it to; if your association is to continue to provide clubs with new dancer subsidies, to recognize significant anniversaries, to organize regional dances, to maintain a fully functioning web site and to support club efforts at recruitment and retention, we have to have a fully staffed Board of Directors.

The work is not hard, the time demands are not onerous. We are talking about attending 8 meetings a year and serving on at least one of the Association’s standing committees, most of which meet virtually rather than face-to-face. But this work cannot and will not get done unless there are people willing to do it.

With your help, we can continue our efforts to keep square and round dancing alive and well in Eastern Ontario. Without it, your Board cannot hope to meet the demands placed upon it. Its up to you.

Please help us to help you by volunteering to join the Board.



**Attachment #2 – Submitted by Charlene Gardner**

Information not posted online but available on request.

Attachment #3 - Submitted by Mary Anne Reinhard

#### **Attachment #4 - Submitted by David Currie**

##### Report to EOSARDA and Council of Dancers from OACA

Over the last 32 weeks or so the members of the OACA have provided weekly dance sessions to the 941 dancers in this geographical area, not to mention all the special events held within the same time frame. Naturally as the season is drawing to a close we took the time to reflect on what we have achieved and how we achieved it.

When it came to a discussion of how the Basic program had gone this year, we first reported the contents of Don Moger's email as to the success of his initiative in Cornwall. We then looked at the problems of compatibility between the Club 50 and our choice of the Callerlab Basic first 40 calls. A discussion followed during which Geoff stated that the Callerlab list is the result of many years and the expertise of many callers. Even calls which may not seem as interesting to some of us, are the basis of Plus, Advanced and C level calls, as Paul wisely pointed out. Brian and Wendy both reported that for them, for various reasons, it was a good thing that we limited ourselves to the first 40 Basic calls this year. It was decided to continue this initiative. Next fall, the balance of the Basic program will be taught to this years' new dancers followed by the Mainstream after Christmas. At the Swing Into Spring weekend, Andy will ask the callers to limit Basic to the Callerlab first 40.

Wendy and John are hoping to hold their New Caller information session on the second weekend in June. If you know of anyone interested in calling please refer them to either Wendy or John so that they may make contact. It will include theory and practice. Wendy also asked that we publicize her Summer Dance program for Basic and Mainstream to our clubs. It will be held at the air conditioned Tom Brown Arena during the summer months. It should also be noted that Wendy will be a teaching assistant at next year's session of the Northeast Caller's School in Manchester New Hampshire.

We as a group sincerely hope that you enjoyed your time on the dance floor this year. See you in the Fall.

## Nominations for EOSARDA's 2016/17 Board of Directors

1. Currie, David
2. Currie Gavin
3. Dunlop, Robert
4. Englehart, Barbara
5. Gardener, Charlene
6. Gardener, Ron
7. Himberg-Larsen, Andy
8. Hull, Germain
9. Hull, Shirley
10. Sawtell, Jim
11. Sharman, Richard
12. Summers, Bob
13. Western, David
14. Tripp, June
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**Attachment #6 - Submitted by Dave Western**

Young Dancer Initiative Report - Apr. 2016

Speaking of unallocated funds, last year Federation sent us \$4,000 for the promotion of square and round dancing. Your Board matched this donation with a further \$4,000 and set a total of \$8,000 aside for the Young Dancer Initiative. None of this money has been spent.

The up-take of the Young Dancer Initiative by clubs has been somewhat disappointing in that only two clubs have actually asked for a presentation on the Initiative, and to date we have received no applications.

At the request of the Harbour Lites, Jane, Jim and I made a presentation on the Young Dancer Initiative to the club earlier this year, The presentation was well received with lots of very good questions being asked, but no commitment being made at that time.

Mississippi Squares also requested a presentation to the club which was delivered by Jim and Jane Trach.

We have had an exchange of e-mails with a member of the Swinging Swallows, which included sending him an electronic copy of the Young Dancer Initiative Power Point Presentation. He is working with a third party who is apparently reviewing the information provided.

Wendy VanderMeulen has also advised that she is in preliminary discussions with a third party for a youth-oriented initiative,.

Following a recent e-mail from a young person in Brockville, both Bob Summers and I followed up with offers to help start a club for younger dancers in that town. But our e-mail replies have gone unanswered.

So while there has been some peripheral activity, nothing concrete has materialized. We are hopeful that sooner or later someone will decide to get things moving, but to date that remains nothing more than a hope.

## **Attachment #7 - Submitted by Ziggy Segstro**

### **THE FUTURE OF ROUND DANCING**

At one time, I suggest that Ottawa was the round dance capital of Canada!! We had six round dance clubs; more than any other area in Canada. We danced from beginners to Phase 6!!

However, with the extinction of three round dance clubs in Ottawa (Take-A-Step Rounds, Harmony Rounds and Round Tuit Dancers) and the conversion of three Rhapsody Round dance clubs to two over the last few years, the future of round dancing in Ottawa is in jeopardy. Currently there is no round dance club in Ottawa teaching round dancing at the beginner, i.e. Phase 2-3 level. What remains in Ottawa are the two Capital Carousel clubs. These clubs dance at the Phase 3-4 and 4-5 levels.

Although beginner round dancing is being taught in Kingston, Carleton Place and in Cornwall, the emphasis there is to teach "square dance rounds" or easy rounds, rather than encouraging dancers more complicated dancing thereby allowing dancers to move up to higher levels of round dancing, i.e. the Capital Carousels

The number of Capital Carousel dancers is slowly diminishing every year, mainly due to ill health. In recognition of this, the Carousels attempted to rectify this a few years ago by starting round dance teaching a number of times, but lack of interest forced it to be cancelled.

Recently, at the instigation of David Western, the Capital Carousels approached the Callers Association requesting it's assistance in efforts to recruit dancers into round dancing. With its support, we requested their co-operation in having Capital Carousel demonstrate round dancing at their clubs. We received three requests. Last Thursday evening we put on a demonstration at the Swinging Swallows club in Pembroke. And Friday evening we demonstrated round dancing for the Bay Waves. On April 25th, we will put on a demonstration for the Grenville Gremlins. And later this month we will be demonstrating round dancing at a large condominium in Ottawa. We hope that this trend will continue with the result that dancers will be interested in learning round dancing.

Thanks to the co-operation of Susan and Doug Conners from Kinston, the Capital Carousels have started a Phase 2 – 3 Club. It will be held at Parkdale United Church on Thursday afternoons. The hours of 1 – 2 PM will be for beginners, and 2 – 3 PM will be dancing at that level and learning new dances. It starts on Sept. 8 and runs to Dec. 1. Cost is \$5/person, but the first lesson is free. Donna Stewart, our Cuer/Teacher and Webmaster has developed a short video on our website regarding this. It can be accessed by

<http://learningcreations.ca/CapitalCarousels/video-flyer/>

Although this initiative will not meet the immediate needs of the Capital Carousels' diminishing number of dancers, it is a start. I am asking the co-operation of all clubs to encourage their dancers to try round dancing. Flyers for the new club are available at the sign-in table.

Attachment #8 - Submitted by Peter Courdin

**ONTARIO SQUARE & ROUND DANCE FEDERATION**  
**REPORT TO**  
**THE COUNCIL OF DANCERS MTG.**  
**April 17, 2016**

**Ontario Federation Report:**

1. Finance: The Ontario Federation had a small surplus of \$205 for the last fiscal year. It currently has total Assets amounting to \$54,612
2. Ontario Memberships: The total membership for Ontario this year as at March 31, 2016 is 2788 vs. 3229 for last year. An overall decrease of 441 members or 13.6%.
3. Recruitment Grants: The Federation has approved a recruitment bursary as submitted by 1 EOSARDA club for \$200.
4. Recruitment & Promotion: The Federation has approved a new program which provides Funds for New Clubs start-up costs. The program guidelines are currently being written and will be published shortly.
5. Federation Website: The website is being completely revised and should be up and running by the end of April, 2016.
6. Society News: There will be a National Square and Round Dance Convention in 2016 being held in Regina, SK. The next convention will be held in London, ON in 2018.
7. Association representation on the Ontario Federation Board: Each Association is allowed to have 4 representatives on the Federation Board. However, the board can have 2 Directors at Large to represent dancers not with an association. Anyone interested in serving on the Federation board can contact the President.

Peter Courdin & Karen Remy  
President Couple  
Ontario Square & Round Dance Federation

**Attachment #9 - Submitted by Richard Sharman**

**Club Liaison Report to Council Of Dancers meeting April 2016**

Since the last Council of Dancers meeting (15th November) 50 Mailchimp messages were sent out and 1 request for reimbursement for Club Recruitment was processed.

3 editions of Square Time were published: 61.4 Dec 52 pages, 62.1 Feb 36 pages, 62.2 Apr 48 pages.

For New Dancer Celebrations packages have been delivered to the EOSARDA Reps attending them consisting of a Canadian Square and Round Dance Society Pin, an EOSARDA leaflet and a free ticket to Frosty Fling 2017.

A certificate marking 40 years was presented to Singing B's in Cornwall. A certificate has been prepared to present to the Charmin' Promenaders in May.