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 UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA
 ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
 Renaissance Riverview Plaza Hotel, 64 S. Water Street, Mobile, AL
 2nd Floor, Bon Secour Ballroom

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 21, 2023 1:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order Krebsbach
- 2. Invocation Robey
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance Reedy
- 4. Introduction of Guests and Visitors Krebsbach

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by president, Mark Krebsbach. After the invocation and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance guests were introduced. This included someone from Callerlab who told us that there are professionally done videos that are free to use by clubs for promotions/lessons/etc. That website is Livelivelysquaredance.com.

- 5. Roll Call of Affiliate Organizations Weber

It was determined that there is a quorum present.

- 6. Minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting..... Weber

Minutes of the 2022 Annual meeting were emailed out to delegates prior to this meeting. A correction was noted: North Dakota is in the Plains region not the Western region. South Carolina moved to dispense with reading of these minutes since everyone had them already, seconded by Illinois to accept these minutes with the correction noted. Motion passed.

- 7. Correspondence All

- 8. Application for USDA Membership.....Krebsbach & Area VP's

Ponderosa, Legacy, and Desert Squares have applied to be Associate Members of USDA. They would not have voting rights. Motion by South Carolina, 2nd by Arkansas/Louisiana to accept them. Motion passed. Heart of America Singles applied for Affiliate Membership of USDA. Motion by Missouri, 2nd by SC to accept. Motion passed.

- 9. Officers Reports:

Officer reports were in the delegate packet but the following had additional information since that was emailed.

- A. President Krebsbach
- B. Vice President Eastern Region Willis
Need new person
- C. Vice President Central Region..... Ebright
North Carolina not having convention this year. Hopefully next year.
- D. Vice President Plains Region Gulbrand
- E. Vice President Western Region Schmidt
Ending their 3rd term but have a candidate to replace them.
- F. Secretary Weber
- G. Treasurer Taylor
\$5000 was willed to USDA by a Texas dancer that died to be used for Youth Scholarships. Remember that you can do this in your will.
- H. Past President Rock

- 10. Delegate Discussion: Questions for USDA Officers

- 11. Committee Reports:

- A. Parliamentarian Maczko
- B. Information Officer Schmidt
- C. Insurance Coordinator Sanders
As of June 17, 2023 there are 17,302 dancers insured
- D. Handicapable Dancers Becker
Square dancers went to a handicap group in Shreveport and did a little square dancing with them and they loved it. Want them to come again. Remember that anyone can teach some basic square dancing.
- E. Youth Advisor Reedy

Tell students not to wait till the February deadline to submit scholarship applications. Start early and put some real thought into it and do a good, complete application. We did not present a youth scholarship this year. Last year it was increased to \$2,500 and one scholarship per year. But the one scholarship we received this year

was incomplete because it was done at the last minute and did not include the items that it needed to have with it. Hopefully next year. Seniors in high school and freshmen in college should apply.

F. Ways and Means Rock
Tony and Diane Rock are retiring from USDA after 10 years on the board. There are hats, fleece and shirts for sale at the table or online.

G. Centennial Award Dunkel
Awards were given to people who are 100 years old and still active with square dancing in Michigan, Georgia and Oregon since the last report and there will be another one in July. Honorary centennial award pin was given to Jim Maczko.

H. USDA NEWS Dunkel
Retiring after 11 years as editor

I. Education and Publications Bradshaw
New tri-folds that are available on the website

J. USA/USDA Traveler Robey
It's fun and easy....get signature from your home state, a few neighboring states, and of course Alabama today and you've got a good start. Forms are available on the website.

K. After Party..... McCall

L. Showcase of Ideas Weber

M. ARTS Willis

N. USDA 501 (c) 3 Group Exemption..... Maczko/Inglis
Can do 501c3 for your club through USDA without dealing with the IRS directly. It helps to have this status when asking for donations from businesses for festivals, etc. If your club has been filing form 990N there should be no problem. But if you haven't then you might have been voided in 2010 and don't have an EIN anymore. Need to call IRS customer service phone number, choose option 2 then 4 for fixing it.

O. Webmaster Wheeler
Be sure to "like" the USDA facebook page. They check it 4 times a day

P. Social Media McCall/Abramson

Q. Online Education & Webinars Abramson
There is a seminar the 2nd Saturday of the each month. Check link on website for more info and to get email reminder

R. Proposed Budget 2024 Taylor
The proposed budget for 2024 was in the delegate packet. Oregon motioned and Illinois 2nd to accept the budget. Motion passed.

12. Delegate Discussion: 3-2-1

) Three things you plan to share with your Affiliate

) Two new things you learned today

) One question you still have

13. Unfinished Business:

A. Education Seminars – Mobile, Alabama

i. Insurance Sanders

ii. Roundtable Krebsbach

iii. Tool Kit for Club Leaders Rock

iv. 501(C)3 Maczko/Inglis

B. CALLERLAB, April 24-26, 2023 – Sparks, NV Report. Abramson

C. ROUNDALAB, June 15-19, 2023 – Springfield, MO Taylor

D. ARTS Meeting: Sunday, June 25, 2023 Willis

14. New Business:

A. Election of Officers Maczko

i. Voting Procedures / Ballots

ii. Election Procedures

Motion, seconded, and passed to accept slate of officers as presented.

President...Ellery & Karen Gulbrand; Eastern Region VP... open position; Central Region VP...Scott & Sandy Ebright; Plains Region VP...Mark & Bina Krebsbach; Western Region VP...Nina Grigsby; Secretary...Edythe Weber; Treasurer...Jim & Judy Taylor

B. Other New Business

- 15. Installation of 2023-2024 USDA Officers Maczko
- 16. USDA Service Awards Maczko
5, 10, & 30 years awards presented
- 17. Recognition of 2022-2023 Executive Committee Krebsbach
Thank you certificates given to each board member for service of up to 30 years. Also to Jim Maczko for 42 years of service...founder of USDA organization
- 18. Adjournment Krebsbach
2:45pm

Submitted by:
Greg & (Mary Ann) Morford
ND Delegate to USDA Annual Board of Directors Meeting