

IAGSDC

General Membership Meeting

Toronto, ON, Canada

July 4, 2016

- Phil Davis called the meeting to order at 9:46am.
- Treasurer report: For 2015 there was a surplus of \$4,676.20 as a result of the license fee from Squeeze the Hive in Salt Lake City. The 2017 budget was approved by the delegates with a balance as of 12-31-15 \$48,788.366.
- Membership is 50 Full, 1 Assoc., and 12 Affiliates. Cotton Pickin' Squares of Memphis was welcomed back to IAGSDC. Total members approximately 1850.
- Brochures were placed on the tables that help promote square dancing. Brad Bruner (Club Liaison has many brochures ready to give to clubs for their promotional purposes). Want to use these so we can begin the produce new (updated) brochures.
- A number of items discussed during the delegates meeting. New website coming soon. Fred Loehr and Michael Wills assist us with our new interactive site. We thank them for their help. The site is up now in demo mode. Your delegate can give you the URL so you can see the new site. Announcements later on when we actually go live. Allen Hurst presented a quote for the history project. We are now able to digitize paper records and the 3 dimensional records we have that have been collected in Karl Jackel's home. The delegates authorized the IAGSDC officers to lead a committee to monitor the process and spend for the initial budget that was presented. More information as that progresses throughout the year.
- Proposed by-law amendment in the membership section (Article III section 2, letter E) of the by-laws. Proposed by Rahn Anderson of the Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus. The amendment was to add "gender identity, gender expression." Rick Hawes moved and Bill Anderson. Discussion: Why not add gender non-identity? In the second point of the membership clause achieves that point. Can we have a call for

the vote? Lee Godfrey from Tri-Angle Squares called for the vote. Passed unanimously by the membership.

- Future conventions: 2017 Palm Springs, 2018 Seattle, 2019 Philadelphia, and by acclimation vote we are going to Denver in 2020. The delegates voted to leave option opened for 2021 convention. Officers will monitor this process for the next 6 months before their mid-year meeting. Delegates had approved the by-laws change a few years ago to allow us to conduct business outside of this annual meeting. We are prepared to move forward on 2021 and beyond for future conventions
- Salt Lake City reported that they had 792 attendees at Squeeze the Beehive. There was a surplus of \$28,786.43 (thanks to John Faulds donation of his commissions). Donations made to local groups and future conventions.
- Elections of Officers. Phil served as chair but is stepping down. On the board: Vice-Chair: Aaron Wells (Chi-Town Squares), Secretary: Kent Tolleson (Hotlanta Squares), Club Liaison: Brad Bruner (Hotlanta Squares). Delegates elected Michael Pemberton (by acclimation) from Chi-Town Squares to a 2 year term as Treasurer. He stated this will be his final 2 years on the board. The delegates elected Ed Zeigler (Midnight Squares) as Chair for a 2 year term.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:55am.