

Santa Clara Valley Square Dancers Association, Inc.
Board Meeting Minutes
15 July 2001

- 1. Call To Order** - The meeting was called to order by Barry Binge at 1:05 PM in the Chateau LaSalle Clubhouse.
- 2. Quorum Confirm** - A quorum was present. Those represented were: Barry & Sandy Binge, Mary Knoppe, Jim Davis & Sue Lietz-Davis, Lloyd & Lorraine Hlavka, Randy Clarke, and Rosalie Burkhead.
- 3. Optional Appointment of Parliamentarian** – None appointed.
- 4. Excused Absences** –None.
- 5. Approval of Previous Minutes** –A motion was made by Jim Davis and seconded by Rosalie Burkhead to approve the 20 May minutes. Motion passed.
- 6. Treasurer's Report – Kindra Van Spyk** – The detailed Treasurer reports for May are Attachments 1 and 2 and the reports for June are Attachments 3 and 4. A motion was made by Jim Davis and seconded by Randy Clarke to submit the corrected Treasurer Reports to audit. Motion passed.

7. Reports of Officers and Directors

President – Barry & Sandy Binge – We went to the following: Golden State Round-Up, Ice Cream Fling Thing, and 50th National Square Dance Convention. Danced with Gadabouts, Crazy Dazys, and Bows & Beaus Newer Dancer Class. We also delivered Golden Dancer Certificates to Square Hoppers.

First Vice-President – Vacant –

Second Vice President – Mary Knoppe – I was at many of the last months' dances. I had questions on the Golden Awards. Have they been distributed? Original letters of Incorporation, how long will they be out of the Safety Deposit Box? Jim Davis responded with a commitment to get them scanned and back in the box. He also gave a brief description of the other "stuff" in the box. We also attended Golden State on Saturday, 26 May for the Grand March. The Whing Ding in September has been confirmed by the school and I will get the info into the Prompter.

Recording Secretary - Randy Clarke –When I am home I dance regularly with the El Camino Reelers on Wednesday nights. I am an angel for our ECR C-1 class. I attended the 50th National Square Dance Convention, where I participated in Two Certificate Programs, "President-Vice President, and Treasurer". I also had an opportunity to view the Youth Hall and its operation. My opinion of that halls' operation is that it is NOT run in the best interest of the kids. There were generally kids in the hall, but not always enough to dance. Callers are expected to call in that hall and it is not a good experience for the kids or the caller when there are not enough to fill out a square. The attending adults can not dance. I believe SCVSDA should pen a letter to the 51st convention committee suggesting a "look at" and "change" to the operation of that hall. I have DRAFTED a letter on behalf of SCVSDA. It is Attachment 5.

Correspondence – Mary Knoppe – Correspondence received between 20 May 2001 & 11 July 2001.

- Lucky Steppers – Club roster & Annual Dues Ck#492
- Gadabouts – Club Roster & Annual Dues ck#1007
- Belle Swingers – Club Roster & Annual Dues ck#711.
- CA State Square Dance Council – Overpayment.
- Curli Q's Return Mail – May 2001 Minutes Delivered to Lloyd Hlavka to present to club 5 July
- Curli Q's Annual Membership Roster and Ck#1028.
- Bank of America Safe Deposit box notice of payment.
- Lucky Steppers & Bows & Beaus receipts appear to be received March 2001.
- Rae Mohr has a new E-mail Address: easydozit@earthlink.net.

Directors

Here is the list of Directors and the clubs they are responsible for.

Rosalie Burkhead – Bachelor 'n Bachelorettes, Belle Swingers, Bows and Beaus, Charley's Angels, and Gadabouts.

Lloyd Hlavka – Curli Q's, Lucky Steppers, Spinning Wheels, Crazy Dazys, and Blossom Hill Cloggers.

Jim and Sue Davis – Carnival Twirlers, Silver Buckles, Top Cats, El Camino Reelers, Squares and Flares, and Square Hoppers.

❖ **Open Position** –

- ❖ **Rosalie Burkhead** – Went to the Strawberry Festival at John Muir. Visited the B & B and Belle Swingers talked to Larry Davenport and Don Thomsen to help their new dancers come to the 7 July newer dancers hoedown. These callers teach different than Keith. Went to the 50th national and had a ball, my 1st one. Went to Bows & Beaus newer dancer hoedown on the 7th of July. Helped with the Monday class of Bows & Beaus newer

dancers. Visited Susan Paten of the SF B & B had that terrible surgery. Went to the Ice Cream Fling Thing. Went to the Chicken Hop.

- ❖ **Jim Davis and Sue Lietz-Davis** – We attended the Golden State Roundup, Cup of Gold, 50th National, Ice Cream Fling Thing, and the Chicken Hop. We danced with Top Cats, Silver Buckles, Carnival Twirlers and Stanford Quads. We attended the 45th Jubilee Committee meeting. At the 50th Nationals we danced in only about 8 of the halls and had a good time. The Youth Hall rules did not seem quite correct. I received a complaint from a parent that although they could not dance with the youth neither were the youth properly supervised in that they could leave at will.
- ❖ **Lloyd Hlavka** – I attended the National Square Dance Convention in Anaheim this June. I danced with the Bows and Beaus and their class and with the Curli Q's where I got the correct mailing address. Their association minutes had been returned due to an obsolete address. Served Ice Cream at the Ice Cream Fling Thing, hosted by Bows & Beaus. It was too crowded in the Plus Hall at Nationals. No dancers at Mainstream or Plus Round Halls.

8. Reports of Standing Committees

45th Jubilee – Jim Davis and Sue Lietz-Davis – The 45th Jubilee committee met 10 June 2001. John Sybalsky resigned as Assistant Program Chair. We will be handing out the pre-registration packets at the Delegates meeting today. Our next meeting is Saturday, 28 July at 10:00 AM which is a potluck BBQ. The meeting after that is 25 August at 12 Noon. The Jubilee committee meeting in May failed to reach quorum. We had 7 committee members but not the treasurer. I ask that the quorum for the Jubilee Committee be set at, either General Chairman and 4 other Chairs, or a majority of the positions. The Jubilee balance is \$ 3,139.27. A motion was made by Randy Clarke and seconded by Lloyd Hlavka to remove the additional 44th Jubilee program revenue of \$100.00 excess, to the SCVSDA treasury.

Insurance - Mary Knoppe – Only six clubs have paid, they are Belle Swingers, Curli Q's, Gadabouts, Lucky Steppers, Spinning Wheels, and Top Cats. The dues are delinquent on the 1 August 2001.

9. Reports of Special Committees

Bylaws – Jim Davis – No report.

Calendar – Lorraine Hlavka – Trina Gentry E-Mailed me Charley's Angels calendar dates so the calendar information is picking up. Send calendar info to my E-Mail address lhavka@earthlink.net .

Dancing at the Fair – Mary Knoppe – I took a badge order and will be selling here at the meeting. Does Kindra want the documents for the fair? I still have a few more badges to sell. I will give the money to Kindra as received.

Public Relations – Vacant - No report.

Fiesta Dances – Kindra Van Spyk – We had planed to pick dates for 2002 now however; it was decided to do the date picking at the October or November meeting.

Webmaster - Kindra Van Spyk – The SCVSDA Web page URL is <http://www.glyphic.com/scvsda/>. John Sybalsky has been working on the site appearance and content. It has had a MAJOR transformation. If it has been a while since you last look take another look! There is a **LOT** of information available now. Contact John for any updates and/or corrections. Kindra has a new E-Mail address: kindraxx@yahoo.com

10. Unfinished Business – A discussion ensued about the implications of the March change of the dues and insurance, referring to the \$ 81.00 minimum for all clubs except Silver Buckles. Jim Davis made a recommendation that the Board recommend to the Delegates, that clubs that otherwise meet the rules, but do not pay the \$ 81.00 minimum will fall to Associate Member Status except Silver Buckles. The recommendation was seconded by Randy Clarke. Motion passed.

11. New Business – A nomination committee was convened. Mary Knoppe is the chair. Jim Davis, Rae Mohr, and Barry Binge are current members.

12. Approval of Bills – Kindra Van Spyk – Total Bills for this period are: \$ 194.00. A motion was made to pay the bills by Kindra Van Spyk and seconded by Rosalie Burkhead. Motion passed.

13. Adjournment – A motion was made by Jim Davis and seconded by Rosalie Burkhead to adjourn the meeting at 2:35 PM. Motion passed.

Submitted Electronically, 10 August 2001
By Randy Clarke, Recording Secretary

Attachment 1

**Santa Clara Valley Square Dancers Association
Financial Bank Activity report from 1 May through 31 May 2001**

BANK OF AMERICA - GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT

General Checking Beginning Balance 1 May 2001

\$ 3,356.82

RECEIPTS

05/23/2001 Mary Knoppe Deposit From Dancing at the Fair \$ 104.90

Total Receipts

\$ 104.90

EXPENSES

05/05/2001 327 San Jose Unified School Dist \$ 163.00

05/05/2001 329 Void \$ 0.00

05/05/2001 330 Void \$ 0.00

05/06/2001 331 Mary Knoppe Startup cash for Fair \$ 100.00

05/06/2001 332 Public Storage May 2001 \$ 144.00

05/20/2001 333 Public Storage June 2001 \$ 144.00

05/20/2001 334 Prompter Renewal \$ 20.00

05/20/2001 335 Mary Knoppe General Operating \$ 13.34

05/20/2001 336 Mary Knoppe Fair Expense – Locks \$ 8.62

05/20/2001 337 Barry Binge Travel to CA Council \$ 200.00

05/20/2001 338 Chateau LaSalle Social Club Meeting Space \$ 15.00

05/20/2001 339 Mary Knoppe Fair Expenses Mike \$ 20.00

05/20/2001 340 Public Storage July 2001 \$ 144.00

05/20/2001 341 CA Square Dance Council Dues \$ 100.00

Total Expenses

\$ 1,096.96

General Checking Ending Balance 31 May 2001

\$ 2,589.76

BANK OF AMERICA - GENERAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance – 1 May 2001 \$ 2,360.02

Interest – May \$ 1.88

Ending Balance 31 May 2001 \$ 2,361.90

BANK OF AMERICA - INSURANCE SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance – 1 May 2001 \$ 540.97

Interest – May \$ 0.43

Ending Balance 31 May 2001 \$ 541.40

BANK OF AMERICA - CD ACCOUNT – Maturity Date – 09 August 2001

Beginning Balance - 1 May 2001 \$ 6,045.16

Rate 4.50% Estimated Interest – May \$ 24.00

Ending Balance 31 May 2001 \$ 6,069.16

BANK OF AMERICA - CD ACCOUNT – Maturity Date – 15 October 2001

Beginning Balance – 1 May 2001 \$ 7,321.48

Rate 4.74% Estimated Interest – May \$ 29.53

Ending Balance 31 May 2001 \$ 7,351.01

45th JUBILEE ACCOUNT

See separate financial report Carried as \$ 3,000.00 \$ 3,000.00

TOTAL ASSETS – 45th Jubilee account *EXCLUDED* \$ 18,913.23

Attachment 2

Santa Clara Valley Square Dance Association

Revenue and Expenses for Year to Date versus Budget: 31 May 2001

	Balance Forward 04.30.01	Current Transactions May	Year to Date 05.31.01	Budget for 2000-2001	Year to Date vs Budget
RECEIPTS					
Convention Surplus	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Dancing at the Fair	\$ -	\$ 104.90	\$ 104.90	\$ 100.00	\$ 4.90
Insurance Fees	\$ 79.75	\$ -	\$ 79.75	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,570.25
Interest- CD	\$ 333.56	\$ 53.30	\$ 387.09	\$ 400.00	\$ 12.91
Interest- Insurance Acct	\$ 3.24	\$ 0.43	\$ 3.67	\$ 10.00	\$ 6.33
Interest- Savings Acct	\$ 11.67	\$ 1.88	\$ 13.55	\$ 100.00	\$ 86.45
Interest- Jubilee Acct.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Jubilee Surplus	\$ 253.26	\$ -	\$ 253.26	\$ 600.00	\$ 346.74
Membership Fees	\$ 168.75	\$ -	\$ 168.75	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,581.25
Other	\$ 291.08	\$ -	\$ 291.08	\$ 9.00	\$ 282.08
Whing Dings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,800.00
Fiesta Dances May/September	\$ 390.00	\$ -	\$ 390.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 410.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 2,027.31	\$ 160.74	\$ 2,188.05	\$ 10,229.00	\$ 8,040.95
EXPENSES					
Calendars and Handouts	\$ 341.95	\$ -	\$ 341.95	\$ 300.00	\$ 41.95
Dancing at the Fair	\$ -	\$ 128.62	\$ 128.62	\$ 150.00	\$ 21.38
Historian	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Inaugural Festivities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Insurance	\$ 93.40	\$ -	\$ 93.40	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,556.60
Operating	\$ 122.79	\$ 33.34	\$ 156.13	\$ 800.00	\$ 643.87
Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 149.00	\$ 149.00
PO Box & Safety Deposit Box	\$ 44.00	\$ -	\$ 44.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 41.00
Professional & Auditor	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Public Relations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Rent-Meeting Hall	\$ 60.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 325.00
State Council - Travel & Lodging	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 200.00
State Council – Hospitality	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State Council – Dues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Storage	\$ 686.00	\$ 432.00	\$ 1,118.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 582.00
Taxes and Filing Fees	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ 30.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 10.00
Whing Dings	\$ 333.07	\$ 163.00	\$ 496.07	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,503.93
Youth Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
Fiesta Dances May/September	\$ 493.50	\$ -	\$ 493.50	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 706.50
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 2,604.71	\$ 1,071.96	\$ 3,676.67	\$ 10,229.00	\$ 6,552.33
BALANCE	\$ 577.40	\$ 911.22	\$ 1488.62	\$ Balanced	\$ 1,488.62

Attachment 3

**Santa Clara Valley Square Dancers Association
Financial Bank Activity report from 1 February through 30 June 2001**

BANK OF AMERICA - GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT

General Checking Beginning Balance 1 June 2001 \$ 2,589.76

RECEIPTS

06/25/2001	Bows and Beaus	Membership and Insurance dues 2	\$	18.00
06/25/2001	Lucky Steppers	Membership dues 2	\$	12.50
06/25/2001	Tax Refund	State	\$	10.00

Total Receipts \$ 506.80

EXPENSES

01/31/2001	297 January Report	Void #297 – re-added to balance	\$	10.80
01/31/2001	Corr January Report	44 th Jubilee Excess adjustment, to \$253.23	\$.03
06/23/2001	242 Jiffi Badges	Invoice # 60132	\$	40.75
06/23/2001	343 Void		\$	0.00
06/30/2001	200 Check # 200	Declared Void	\$	11.89

Total Expenses \$ 118.09

General Checking Ending Balance 30 June 2001 \$ 2,412.17

BANK OF AMERICA - GENERAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance – 1 June 2001	\$	2,361.90
Interest – June	\$	1.46
Ending Balance 30 June 2001		\$ 2,363.36

BANK OF AMERICA - INSURANCE SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance – 1 June 2001	\$	541.40
06/25/2001 Lucky steppers insurance dues 2	\$	5.50
Interest – June	\$	0.33
Ending Balance 30 June 2001		\$ 547.23

BANK OF AMERICA - CD ACCOUNT – Maturity Date – 09 August 2001

Beginning Balance - 1 June 2001	\$	6,069.16
Rate 4.50% Estimated Interest – June	\$	24.00
Ending Balance 30 June 2001		\$ 6,093.16

BANK OF AMERICA - CD ACCOUNT – Maturity Date – 15 October 2001

Beginning Balance – 1 June 2001	\$	7,351.01
Rate 4.74% Estimated Interest – June	\$	28.70
Ending Balance 30 June 2001		\$ 7,379.71

45th JUBILEE ACCOUNT

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TOTAL ASSETS - 45th Jubilee account EXCLUDED \$ 18,795.63

Attachment 4

Santa Clara Valley Square Dance Association

Revenue and Expenses for Year to Date versus Budget: 30 June 2001

	Balance Forward 03.31.01	Current Transactions 04.30.01	Year to Date 04.30.01	Budget for 2000-2001	Year to Date vs Budget
RECEIPTS					
Convention Surplus	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Dancing at the Fair	\$ 104.90	\$ -	\$ 104.90	\$ 100.00	\$ 4.90
Insurance Fees	\$ 79.75	\$ 11.00	\$ 90.75	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,559.25
Interest- CD	\$ 387.09	\$ -	\$ 387.09	\$ 400.00	\$ 12.91
Interest- Insurance Acct	\$ 3.67	\$ 0.33	\$ 4.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 6.00
Interest- Savings Acct	\$ 13.55	\$ 1.46	\$ 15.01	\$ 100.00	\$ 84.99
Interest- Jubilee Acct.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Jubilee Surplus	\$ 253.26	\$ -	\$ 253.26	\$ 600.00	\$ 346.74
Membership Fees	\$ 168.75	\$ 25.00	\$ 193.75	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,556.25
Other	\$ 291.08	\$ 10.00	\$ 301.08	\$ 9.00	\$ 292.08
Whing Dings	\$ 496.00	\$ -	\$ 496.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,304.00
Fiesta Dances May/September	\$ 390.00	\$ -	\$ 390.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 410.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 2,188.05	\$ 47.79	\$ 2,235.84	\$ 10,229.00	\$ 7,993.16
EXPENSES					
Calendars and Handouts	\$ 341.95	\$ -	\$ 341.95	\$ 300.00	\$ 41.95
Dancing at the Fair	\$ 128.62	\$ 40.75	\$ 169.37	\$ 150.00	\$ 19.37
Historian	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Inaugural Festivities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Insurance	\$ 93.40	\$ -	\$ 93.40	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,556.60
Operating	\$ 156.13	\$ -	\$ 156.13	\$ 800.00	\$ 643.87
Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 149.00	\$ 149.00
PO Box & Safety Deposit Box	\$ 44.00	\$ -	\$ 44.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 41.00
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Rent-Meeting Hall	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 325.00
State Council - Travel & Lodging	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 200.00
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State Council – Dues	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Storage	\$ 1,118.00	\$ -	\$ 1,118.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 582.00
Taxes and Filing Fees	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ 30.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 10.00
Whing Dings	\$ 496.07	\$ -	\$ 496.07	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,503.93
Youth Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
Fiesta Dances May/September	\$ 493.50	\$ -	\$ 493.50	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 706.50
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 3,676.67	\$ 40.75	\$ 3,717.42	\$ 10,229.00	\$ 6,511.58
BALANCE	\$ 1,488.62	\$ 7.04	\$ 1,481.58	\$ Balanced	\$ 1,481.58

Attachment 5

D R A F T

To: 51st National Square Dance Convention Committee

From: Santa Clara Valley Square Dance Association

To Whom It May Concern,

We all work very hard promoting square dancing. The enjoyment of square dancing should be viewed by all of us as one of **the most important** aspects of the preservation of our activity. Certain concerns in the programming of the 50th National Square Dance Convention have been brought to our attention. We believe that they need attention.

1. What are the philosophy and goals of the Youth Hall?
 - a. Callers are expected to provide calling and can be frustrated when there are not enough dancers.
 - b. Not enough kids to fill a square – allow adults to dance.
 - c. Should the hall be supervised with required adult & child check in/check out?

Several times, the caller was present but not enough kids. If it is to provide a youth friendly environment then it failed at the 50th National in that when there were insufficient youth in the hall to form a square they did not dance, or in one case with the caller in the hall the youth were forced to leave the hall and dance in the foyer with youth friendly adults while the caller's wife stood in the doorway and kept the caller informed as to the dancer's status. Youth should be allowed to dance in a youth only square, but youth should also have the option of dancing in a youth friendly square wherein Youth friendly dancers should be allowed to fill out a square *within* the youth hall.

If it is to provide an environment of Youth Protection then it failed at the 50th National in several ways. The youth were allowed to self-check out - regardless of their age. A youth protected environment should allow the parent checking a youth in to determine that the youth not be allowed self checkout. We believe that supervision on rest room trips was not provided, so there was an opportunity for a failure of vigilance even for a youth not desiring to leave. Parents could not leave their child at the Youth hall and be ensured that they were under supervision.

2. What is the philosophy of the decision on the number of halls and hall sizing?
 - a. Plus halls were very crowded
 - b. The Mainstream halls were nearly empty
 - c. The Plus / Rounds halls were nearly empty.

There seem to be several halls that were much larger than they needed to be and others that were NOT BIG ENOUGH! The convention committee needs to be able to handle this expediently, to keep the dancers happy. If it takes 15 minutes to fix a problem, that is too long. The room monitors need to be able to do what is necessary to size the room IMMEDIATELY! That may be moving or exchanging with another room, but it needs to be done as quickly as possible so that ALL of the dancers can dance.

Our youth are the ones that are going to eventually take our places and it is VERY necessary to handle them in such a way that they will want to continue to Square Dance. Leaving a sour taste in their mouth, from the above experience, is not the right way to do this.

Keeping the **ranks** happy is also a **very** important requirement. Simply providing a place to dance is not enough. Dance space needs to be sized correctly, or adjustments made to size it on the fly. Leaving it too small is a **big** mistake which keeps dancers from dancing. Having a cavern for a dance floor makes the callers sound terrible and also makes the dancers wonder where everyone is. We realize that perfect is not possible, we are only suggesting that it be closer to optimum than experienced at the 50th.

Thank you for a Great 50th and we look forward to and ever better 51st.

Best regards,

Barry and Sandy Binge
Presidents of
Santa Clara Valley Square Dance Association
San Jose, CA
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