## Minutes of the OECD Annual General Meeting in Orange Hall at 7:30 pm on June 23, 2016

The meeting was presided over by Mary Williams and was attended by 21 people: Mary & Godfrey Williams, Sara Lawson, John Nash, Susan Barker, Graham & Jane Thompson, Gregory Reynolds, June Harman, Michael Dyck, David & Mary Shleifman, Andrew Macdonald, Christine Banfill, Michelle Sutherland, Milan Skubnik, (& Pepper) Tom & Marilyn Adams, Joey Walker, Wendy Jermyn, Don Smith

- 1. <u>Approval of the Minutes of the AGM 2015</u>: Moved Graham Thomson, seconded June Harman.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda: moved by June Harman, seconded by Joey Walker
- 3. Business arising from AGM 2015:
  - a) family dance: thumbs down last year. didn't happen
  - b) adopt-a-dance: dancers were to master a dance so we'd have a program if callers didn't show up...this also fell through.
  - c) Sunday afternoon sessions at Mlacak...for challenging new dances. Did not happen last year... individual callers (June, John) offered their homes for this purpose, and we have Orange Hall.
- 4. President's Report...Mary Williams

a) thanks to the many <u>volunteers</u> who share the load of club duties.

- b) we have 8 regular <u>callers</u>: Anne, Greg, Mary, Jane, John, June, Sara, Susan, (Greg in Orange Hall only; Jane on reserve). Callers prepare their own programs, and contribute their different styles and different repertoires.
- c) <u>dance of the month</u>: went well in the beginning, but then fizzled out...general comments favoured its retention. Can be combined with subtle coaching on technique, possible "move of the month" Policy up to new Executive.
- d) <u>beginner classes</u>: general comments that they are useful and appreciated Anne, Casey, Michelle will be involved in giving these classes next year. Sept & Jan? 4 or 6 weeks? .... to be decided by new Executive
- e) the club has a supply of <u>music on Wifi</u>, and new <u>CDs</u> are being added. \$500 has been set aside for new acquisitions. Members are invited to let June know of any requests.
- f) John Nash has been maintaining the W<u>iKi</u>, and that has been most useful to our callers. Joey Walker volunteered to help John upgrade the dance instructions on the website.
- g) there was some discussion as to where the "<u>library</u>" should be housed. Presently, it is in John's basement.
- h) <u>events</u> last year: 3 evenings with guest callers: David Smukler, David Millstone, and Adina Gordon. Music was supplied by the Playford Players and Hole in the Wall. June Harman organized a Jane Austen tea in the city.
- i) Irfôna *in memorium : D*onated music stand with plaque is to be used at all events with guest callers.

Waltz for Irfôna composed by Charlene Thompson: Choreography, by Mary Williams was selected in a competition.

A recording of Waltz for Irfôna is to be made by Susan Larkin and the Dancehall Players in Victoria.

- g) because of dancer sensitivities, we have established a strict <u>no-fragrance</u> rule at all of our dances.
- 5. TTO 2015. Ball Report .... Sara Lawson

Last year's ball took place November 6 to 8, 2015. Guest caller was Orly Krasner and Guest Musicians were Karen Axelrod, Eric Martin and Rachel Bell. The ball was attended by 65 dancers,

Due to the unfavourable exchange rate (\$1us cost \$1.30cdn), we encountered a loss of \$732.

6. Financial Report....Godfrey Williams

Over the past fiscal year (ending May 31, 2016), our net balance dropped by \$1197. The closing bank balance is \$4927, so we are in a healthy state for a non-profit organization. Motion to accept Godrey Williams Seconded Christine Banfil

## 7. Executive 2016-2017

President:	June Harman
Vice President	John Nash
Treasurer	Godfrey Williams
Secretary	Sara Lawson
Web Master	Graham Thompson
Publicity	Susan Barker
Ball Chairperson	Mary Williams
Members at Large	David & Mary Shleifman, Michael Dyck

Some Other Volunteer Roles

Member Registration	Margaret Jones
Refreshments	Brenda Heming
Callers:	Anne, Greg, Jane, John, June, Mary, Sara, Susan
Caller Roster	Sara
Teachers for Beginners	Anne, Casey, Michelle
Refreshments:	Edward (tea) (cookies) Andrew, Robert
Club Equipment:	Computer- David; Amplifier, microphone, music stand-Graham
Dances done (wiki)	Jane
Brochure	Susan
Name Tags	Jane

Adjournment at 8:45 pm: Moved Wendy, Sec Christine

The meeting was followed by a 1-hour dance session. We did 7 dances.

Respectfully submitted Sara Lawson June 27, 2016