SCVSDA General Committee Meeting August 31, 2024 Meeting held via Zoom Minutes (Draft)

10:04 am President Wegener called the meeting to order.

Attendees: Mary Jane Wegener (President), Joe Dehn (Vice President), Mary Gingell (Secretary), Jim Davis (Treasurer); Kurt Gollhardt (Advanced Squares), Mary David (Belle Swingers), Vicki Campagna and Sharon Storms (Bows and Beaus), Michael Egan (Interlocked Squares), Phil Harris (Lucky Steppers), Carole Cohane (PACE), Jane Bishop and David Westerman (Star Eights), Sue Harris (SDA), Sue Lietz-Davis (Top Cats).

Confirm quorum (Gingell): 9 of 9 Clubs represented; 10 people voting; we have quorum. (Westerman joined after initial determination of quorum and people voting.)

Introduce first time attendees (Wegener): Mary David (Belle Swingers)

Wegener: The purpose of this meeting is to vote on the Bylaws amendments and other measures necessary to apply for 501c3 status through USDA. See Agenda (Attachment A) listing the steps to be taken.

Dehn reviewed the proposed Bylaws changes (Attachment B and C – alternatives). He recommended the third option in Attachment C. Gollhardt moved the third option, P. Harris seconded. Motion carried without objection. Gollhardt moved to change the word "shall" to "may" in that paragraph, P. Harris seconded. Motion carried without objection. Proposed Bylaws changes as amended passed without objection.

Westerman moved that SCVSDA apply for associate membership in the USDA and agree to abide by the Bylaws, the Standing Rules, the Code of Ethics, and the Code of Conduct of the USDA as written or as may be amended. P. Harris seconded. Motion passed without objection.

Gollhardt moved that SCVSDA apply for 501c3 status through the USDA program. Campagna seconded. Motion passed without objection.

Wegener and Dehn will work to get the paperwork completed and ready for signatures by the time of the August 31 Whing Ding. Davis will have the checkbook ready at the Whing Ding so as to be able to write the necessary checks to be sent to USDA.

Announcements:

Wegener reminded the delegates that the next meeting is September 21, 2024 and will include election of officers.

Dehn reminded the delegates that Jubilee is coming up and urged everyone to get their club members and other square dancers to register.

Wegener adjourned the meeting at 10:42 am.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Gingell Secretary