

**OTONABEE SQUARES**  
**Minutes of Annual General Meeting**  
**May 11, 2015**

George Street United Church Hall

Bill Holley, president called the meeting to order at 7PM.

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Bev Whibbs and second by Olga McQuay. Carried.

**Approval of Minutes of AGM of May 12, 2014.** Moved by Jean Lander and second by Bill Holley. Carried.

**Financial Reports.**

Financial Reviewers report: Debbie Andrews, has reviewed the books and declared that they were well maintained and in agreement with the bank statements.

**Treasurers Report: Anne Hare**

Presentation of annual financial statement,

Club Assets 1 April 2014	4593.41
Income 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015	18,393.62
Expenses 1 April to 31 March 2015	16,897.13
Club Assets 31 March 2015	6,089.90

Moved by Anne Hare to accept the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Doreen Jones. Carried.

Presentation and approval of budget for 2015/16 dance season.

Budgeted Income 2015-2016	14,575
Budgeted Expenses 2015 -2016	14,635

Moved by Anne Hare to accept the budget, second by Jean Lander. Carried.

**Vote on membership fee and weekly fee for 2015/16**

Moved by Jean Lander, second Bunny Laing to keep weekly fee at \$5.00. Carried •

Moved by Jean Lander, seconded by Wayne Hare to keep our current membership at \$5.00: \$1.00 is membership and \$4.00 is insurance. Carried •

**Callers Comments** .Wayne said he enjoyed calling this past year. Wayne spoke about losing dancers and what can be done to increase members.

Wayne was thanked by Bill Holley for his calling and teaching.

**Presidents Report.** Bill Holley stated that we need new dancers and questioned why are we losing members?

Jean & Howard Lander were applauded for their efforts in recruiting new members.

It was stated that we have not done any Demo's in past season to get people interested. Could we try advertising on Cogeco.

## **Committee Reports**

**Social** - Lynda Hainer and Antoinette Mylan thanked everyone for food and help. Bill Holley also gave his thanks.

**Registrar** -106 paid up members.

**Publicity** - Web page is maintained, also advertise in newspapers, TV, 4 newsletters this year, 4 Demo's to help promote Square Dancing.

**Elections of Officers**-All positions could have two members elected.

**Nominating Committee** Chair, Wayne Hare presented slate of officers.

**Presidents** -Howard Lander and Fred Olson

**Vice President - Past** Doris Buttar

**President**-Bill Holley

**Secretary**-Myla Bell

**Treasurers**-Anne Hare and Suzanne Barker

**Social** - Olga McQuay and Antoinette Mylan

**Registrars**- Margaret Keane and Maureen Newby and Marian Olson will help when needed

**Publicity**- Jean Lander

**Financial Reviewer** - Debbie Andrew

There was a call for nominations from the floor for each position.

Motion by Wayne Hare that the slate of officers be accepted as presented, second by Olga McQuay.

Carried.

## **New Business**

**Change of program**- Motion by Howard Lander, seconded by Fred Olson that a change of the dance program be run for 10 to 12 weeks as 2015-2016 season starts.

Discussion - likely in the New Year to go back to present program when new dancers will be up to basic dance level.

**6.30 to 7.30 pm** - new dancers basic teach and angels and for those who would like a review of the basic program.

**7.30 to 9 pm** - full basic and mainstream teach. Mainstream teach will be for those who can confidently dance all the basic moves.

**9 to 9.30 pm** will be full mainstream for those who have completed learning the mainstream program.

The club will only hold a beginners' class in the new year of 2016 if there are enough people signed up to justify the cost involved.

No teach at summer dances.

Vote carried.

**Rack Card Publicity Cards**– Printed plasticized cards with display holders are being produced for display in public locations as advertising for Square Dancing. Cards and holders will be available to members at summer dances.

**Convenor for New Year Party** will be Suzanne Barker with same committee, Fred & Marian Olson, Antoinette Mylan, Doris Buttar, Glen Barton, Jill Cobb.

Howard Lander presented a plant to Antoinette Mylan as thanks for her hospitality for offering her home for the executive meetings.

Bill Holley also expressed his thanks.

**Membership in T&D Square & Round Dance Association** – That Otonabee Squares join T& D Association. \$10.00 cost. Encourages Square & Round dancing providing web site listing of upcoming dances and other articles.

Moved by Wayne Hare, seconded by Jean lander. Carried.

**Adjourned** by Mary Auld, seconded by Doreen Jones.

**Items for information only.**

**Summer dancing** starts Monday, June 1 at St. Anne's Parish Hall.

**2015/16 Dance Season:** Start date Sept 14 2015 to May 16, 2016.