# PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES of the Tualatin Valley Council of Square Dancers, Inc.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

This document outlines the normal practices & procedures of the Tualatin Valley Council of Square Dance Clubs (TVC), one of the councils of the Oregon Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs (the Federation). This document is intended to be a guideline for the benefit of council officers and members.

# 2. MEMBERS

For information regarding membership in the TVC, see the CONSTITUTION of the Tualatin Valley Council of Square Dancers, Inc., Article 3.

# 3. MEETINGS

The TVC meets on the 4th Monday of every month, except for December, unless changed by a vote of the council. In-person meetings shall be held at a central location as arranged and announced by the executive board. Zoom meetings shall replace regular meetings at the discretion of the executive board.

The January meeting is traditionally a "President's Potluck." All past presidents of the TVC, and all current club presidents and vice-presidents are invited to attend the President's Potluck to see how the TVC conducts business. It is at this meeting where the TVC President presents the TVC Recognition Award. The meeting is held at the IOOF Hall in Hillsboro.

Any square dancer or guest within the Tri-Council area (Tualatin Valley Council, Portland Area Council and Evergreen Council) is welcome to attend regular TVC Council meetings. The Secretary will make note of all attendees to retain a record in the meeting minutes. Guests may not vote, but are welcome to speak on any topic, at the discretion of the chairman.

The meeting agenda is set by the President, but will usually consist of:

- Call to order
- Correction and/or acceptance of minutes
- Officer reports
- Special committee reports
- Old business

- New business
- Delegate reports
- Good of the order announcements
- Adjournment

In addition, "visiting dignitaries" are offered a courtesy position on the agenda, if they are present at the meeting. This includes the OFN Editor and a Delegate from the PAC.

# 4. VOTING

For information regarding voting procedures see the CONSTITUTION of the Tualatin Valley Council of Square Dancers, Inc., Articles 5 and 7, and the BY-LAWS of the Tualatin Valley Council of Square Dancers, Inc., Articles 7 and 9.

# 5. TVC DANCE CALLERS AND CUERS

Unless otherwise approved by the Board, the Caller and Cuer hired for a TVC Dance will be the only caller and cuer at that dance. Callers and Cuers will not be invited from the floor.

The TVC will utilize local Club Callers and Cuers as well as Callers and Cuers from outside the local area. Except in unusual circumstances approved by the Board, no Caller or Cuer will be hired for more than one TVC Dance during any calendar year.

## 6. OFFICER DUTIES

For information regarding Officer's duties, see the BY-LAWS of the Tualatin Valley Council of Square Dancers, Inc., Article 1.

## 7. APPOINTED OFFICER DUTIES

# **Caller Advisor**

The Caller Advisor is expected to:

- Report on items in the world of calling that are of particular interest to the square dance community
- Report on the activities of Callerlab
- Report on the activities of local caller associations
- Work with Vice President in identifying Callers for TVC dances and demo events.

## **Cuer Advisor**

The Cuer Advisor is expected to:

- Report on items from the world of cuing that are of particular interest to the square/round dance community
- Report on the activities of ROUNDALAB and ORDTA

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- Report on the activities of any local cuer associations
- Work with Vice President in identifying cuers for TVC dances and demo events.

# **OFN Area Editor**

The OFN Area Editor is expected to:

- Solicit club reports from each of the TVC clubs, gather them together, and ship them to the OFN Editor
- Be cognizant of the current OFN deadlines
- Remind those clubs whose reports are delinquent
- Edit and maintain TVC Officer information on the OFSRDC website
- Enter special dance information and flyers on the OFSRDC website
- Assist the Webmaster by providing TVC meeting information and meeting dates

# Parliamentarian - Currently Inactive

The Parliamentarian is expected to:

- Be knowledgeable of Robert's Rules of Order
- Answer questions and resolve conflicts in meeting procedures

#### Webmaster

The Webmaster is expected to:

- Maintain the TVC Website in a timely manner.
- Enlist the assistance of elected or appointed officer to provide information necessary to achieve the above.

## 8. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

## **Financial Committee**

The Financial Committee is expected to:

• Audit the books maintained by the TVC Treasurer

# 9. COURTESY POSITIONS

• Delegate from the Portland Area Council

# 10. CLUB DELEGATES

The club delegates are the most important part of the TVC. Although the officers make sure the meetings run smoothly and handle TVC dances, it is the delegates who represent the direct link to the clubs that make up the council.

For information regarding Club Delegates' responsibilities, see the "Delegates Introduction to TVC" document on the TVC website page at (https://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org/documents)

# 11. ANNUAL CALENDAR

Here are the key items that need to be handled in the typical year:

## May

• Start preparing TVC directory

# May/June

- New officers installed (except for state delegate)
- Incoming president presents budget for upcoming Fiscal Year for approval
- Prepare new mail/email distribution list

# July

• Treasurer submits 990 e-Postcard for tax-exempt status

# August

- Distribute completed TVC directory
- Submit any nominations for Randall Award to state delegate

# September

- New State Delegate takes office
- State Delegate Distributes insurance documents

#### October

- Insurance documents due back to State Delegate by TVC meeting
- Executive board appoints at least three members for the nominating committee

## November

## December

#### January

- President's Potluck, 4<sup>th</sup> Monday
- Present TVC Recognition Award
- Officer nominations requested
- Treasurer submits 1099-Misc if appropriate

# February

- Officer nominations requested
- Treasurer files Corporate Annual Report with OR Sec of State

## March

New officers elected

# April

Incoming officers gather for Planning and Transition Meeting

# 12. RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE

In order to alleviate the accumulation of massive amounts of paper and computer media storage, the TVC has adopted a schedule outlining the following time periods for which various kinds of records should be retained.

Officer	Type of Data	Retention Period
President	General Business	2 Years
Vice President	General Business	2 Years
	TVC Dance Planning Material	As Needed
Secretary	Minutes	Indefinitely
	General Business	2 Years
	Correspondence	7 Years
Treasurer	General Business	7 Years
	Government Forms	Indefinitely
Past President	Nomination Forms and Ballots	Until Motion to Destroy

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