



Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2021-01-25

Meeting was held via Zoom

The meeting started about 7:30 and adjourned about 8:30

<http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org>

Attendees:

Delegates:

Columbia River Dancers:	Gary and Judi Furguson (both absent)
Eager Beavers:	Leslie Tallman, Alice Hendricks
Hayshakers:	Judy Martin, Ken Marifke
Hoedowners:	Sally Duyck, Kathy Christy (both absent)
Mix'n'Mingle:	Rick and Robin Faltersack (both absent)
Oak Hills Squares	Marie Clem
R Square D:	Mary McDaniel, Marv Pope (both absent)
Sunset Promenaders:	Steve LeBlanc, Dan Browning (Dan absent)
Toe Draggers:	Linda Curtis
Tri Squares:	Delegate positions open
Valley River Dancers:	Jan Amerson, Perrin Damon (Perrin absent)
Valley Squares:	Julie Cooper, Dorothy Reed (Dorothy absent)
Wave Steppers:	Bob Allen (absent)

Officers, Elected & Appointed:

President: Mike St. Clair	Vice-President: Jan Amerson
Treasurer: Tammy LeBlanc	Secretary: Andis Garuts
State Delegate: Josie Rosenbury	Sunshine Chair: Tammy LeBlanc
Past-President of the TVC: Dale Brabham (absent)	
PAC Representative: Erin Kalmbach	
Oregon Federation Youth Advisor: Kathy Roberts (absent)	
Caller Advisor: K.C. Curtis	Cuer Advisor: Randy Lewis (absent)
TVC Webmaster: Tim Roberts (absent)	OFN Area Editor: Ferrous Steinka (absent)

Visitors Attending:

Gary Clark (Sunset Promenaders)
Lane Clem (Oak Hills Squares)
Pete Cooper (Valley Squares)
Carolene Siebert (Valley Squares)

TVC Officer Reports:

Previous Council meeting minutes approved as written.

President's report: (Mike St. Clair)

Introduction. Welcome. I started our meetings to see what the Clubs are doing that no one else was doing. One everyone gets their COVID-19 shots, we will have some ideas on getting some dances going. We will not dance until we feel that we are safe again, and we will not make any plans for TVC events until reopening gets closer.

Vice President's report: (Jan Amerson)

I have not done much due to the Pandemic. Plan to contact callers for contracts of TVC dances as soon as we can start having them again. Also, have not printed any Directories for this year at the advice of the President because there is not much use for them. Would like any clubs that may be making changes in their officers or delegates to please forward the changes to me so I can change the Directory and have it ready for print as soon as we get a go ahead. Miss seeing every one and look forward to getting back to dancing as soon as possible. - Jan Amerson, Vice President

Treasurer's report: (Tammy LeBlanc)

Balances:

Checking: \$1,193.21

Savings: \$7,587.22

Checks have been received from all Clubs for the OR State directories. (\$205.93)

Check was received for Sunshine cards, stamps, etc.

A payment was made to the OR Federation for dues (\$20.00) in addition to an earlier payment.

Secretary report: (Andis Garuts) No report.

State Delegates report: (Josie Rosenbury)

The State Meeting was held yesterday.

Directories: The new State Directories will also be out online this coming year. Directories can still be ordered.

It was announced that the **Randall Award** will go to Gary and Norma Sohn (Mid-Willamette Council, Braids and Braves). The rest of the nominees can be seen on the OR Federation page. It is not too early to be thinking about who you want to nominate from the TVC for next year's Randall Award. Nominations should be submitted by May of this year.

Insurance: Marilyn Schmit reported that there are 1,352 covered primary dancers in Oregon, and another 205 dancers in Washington not covered by OFSRDC insurance. Thank you to all of the clubs for getting their insurance paperwork and payments in. Marilyn did a great job of taking care of all of this.

Scholarships: Please make sure that the Clubs are aware about available scholarships for youth and college. Three are offered by the USDA: \$1,000, \$750, and \$500. Deadline for USDA scholarship applications: February 1. All of these are currently available. State scholarships: \$500. Deadline for state applications: May 1.

There could be a statewide caller association establishing itself to help the callers work together for the new **Callerlab format** for social square dancing. The new recommended Callerlab social square dance program consists of 50 moves for Basics and Mainstream. It is recommended that the moves be taught in 12 lessons, and students would be able to join the club and dance with other clubs all doing those same 50 moves.

PAC report: (Erin Kalmbach)

The PAC had a Zoom meeting last week. Ideas were shared from the TVC regarding various topics (street fair, etc.). An issue regarding the social square dance program of 50 moves was that the callers are employees of clubs, and that the clubs, not the callers, should make the decisions with this program. The Club Presidents, boards and members should be the ones to decide whether to adopt the program in their activities.

OFSRDC Publicity and Education Report: (Kathy Roberts) (absent) No report.

OFSRDC Youth Report: (Kathy Roberts) (absent) No report.

Past TVC President report: (Dale Brabham) (absent) No report.

Sunshine report: (Tammy LeBlanc)

About 25 cards were sent out in the past few months. A lot of people have lost loved ones this year. Several others have had health issues.

OFN Area Editor Report: (Ferrous Steinka) (absent) No report.

Webmaster report: (Tim Roberts) (absent) No report.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

Contracts: It was mentioned that we should hold off on caller and cuer contracts until we all start dancing again. Short discussion.

Granges: A question was raised about whether the Granges will be available in the future when we start dancing again. The concern was that the Granges would be in such bad financial shape that they would not continue to operate. Are they all doing okay, or should we help them a bit. Discussion.

Outdoor dances: Candy came up with an idea of holding outdoor street dances in Hillsboro with all of the clubs in the TVC (and other dancers) when we start dancing again in the future. The people in charge of downtown Hillsboro have been contacted regarding this. They would be accepting of this idea, what is needed is a date, callers and cuers. Maybe there could be a club on each street corner, or each block, and the clubs would travel between blocks every 45 minutes with the callers and cuers staying where they are each time. The TVC would sponsor these events.

Club Delegate Reports:

Columbia River Dancers: (Gary and Judi Furguson, Delegates) (both absent)

Club dances 2nd and 4th Saturdays year round at Hazel Dell Grange, 7509 NE Hazel Dell Ave., Vancouver, WA 98665. The times 7 to 8 Plus dance, 8-10 Mainstream dance with Jim Hattrick as club caller and cuer. <http://www.ColumbiaRiverDancers.org>

No report.

Eager Beavers: (Leslie Tallman and Alice Hendricks, Delegates)

The Club dances Plus every Monday afternoon, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the Aloha Grange, 3425 SW 185th Ave, Aloha, OR 97006, on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy.. We dance in air conditioned comfort on an excellent wood floor. Door donation is \$4. Daryl Clendenin, caller/cuer on 1st and 5th Mondays, Jim Hattrick, caller/cuer on 3rd Monday, and Darrell Kalmbach and Joyce Hooper,

caller/cuer on 2nd and 4th Mondays. For additional information call 503-645-2414.

<http://www.eagerbeavers.info>

The Eager Beavers TVC delegates for 2021 are Leslie Tallman and Alice Hendricks.

Karen Steinka is now our newsletter editor, and she and Ferrous keep our club updated with regular member contributions and photos in addition to the monthly newsletter.

Hayshakers: (Judy Martin and Ken Marifke, Delegates)

Hayshakers are now dancing the 3rd and 5th Fridays from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Mark Wheeler caller & cuer. Dance is at the Pacific Grange, 90475 Hwy 101, Cullaby Lake, at Warrenton, OR. Be sure to call first to make sure we have enough people for a dance. 503.325.8109, 503.861.2726, 503.325.2100.

<http://www.hayshakers.org>

Not much to report.

I recommend that the TVC hold a Meeting next month, until we get back together physically, maybe the rest of the year.

Hoedowners: (Sally Duyck and Kathy Christy, Delegates) (both absent)

Dance the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy. Our Caller is Daryl Clendenin. The Cuer is Randy Lewis. Pre-Plus and Intermediate Rounds will be called from 7:00-8:00 and Mainstream from 8:00-10:00. Our format is informal and friendly.

<http://www.hoedowners.info>

No report.

Mix N Mingle: (Rick and Robin Faltersack, Delegates) (both absent)

Club dances Plus at the Winona Grange (8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR) on 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Pre-Rounds begin at 7:30 PM and Plus & Rounds from 8:00 – 10:30 PM. The door donation is \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members. Randy Dibble is our club Caller and Jeanine Norden our club Cuer. www.mixandminglesquares.org

No report.

Oak Hills Squares: (Marie Clem. Delegate)

Oak Hills Squares meet on Monday evenings at the Oak Hills Recreation Center on 153rd and Oak Hills Drive (2400 NW 153rd Avenue, Beaverton). 6:30 to 7:30 Class (start dates -Sept and February) 7:30 to 8:30 Mainstream (6:30 to 8:30 when no classes running). 1st Monday of each month from 7:30 to 9 Mainstream Singing calls and Rounds. Lane Clem is our Caller and Cuer on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Mondays; Renee Ruud is our Caller on the 3rd and 5th Mondays. Taped cues on those days.

<http://myplace.frontier.com/~ferrouss/OakHillsSDC.htm>

Oak Hills Squares is still having their bi-weekly Zoom meeting to keep track of what everyone is doing, or not doing, which is probably more appropriate. No one in the groups has had the virus or the vaccine at this point. There are several educators in our group, and they expect to get the vaccine soon.

We are planning to start round dancing lessons with masks and social distancing as soon as it is permitted, as this seems the type of dancing to have the least interpersonal contact.

Marie Clem, OHS TVC Rep

R Square D: (Mary McDaniel and Marv Pope, Delegates) (both absent)

Dance 2nd Friday and the 4th Saturday from September thru May; June thru August dance 2nd and 4th Wednesday at the Kelso Senior Center (106 NW 8th Ave, Kelso, WA). Plus with intermediate rounds from 7 to 8; 8 to 9:30 Mainstream/rounds with refreshments after the dance. Craig Abercrombie is the caller and Lonnie Sycks is our Cuer. Our website is www.r-square-d.info Call 360-431-7553 or 360-636-3358 for more information.

No report.

Sunset Promenaders: (Steve LeBlanc and Dan Browning, Delegates) (Dan absent)

Mainstream Dance 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Dances starts at 6:30 with Intermediate Rounds, and then 7:30-9:30 is the Mainstream dance with a Plus Tip at the end. Caller is Mike (Julie) Stout; Cuer is Ken (Diane) Pratt. The Club also has a Plus dance on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday of the month. These dances starts at 7:00 with Intermediate Rounds and at 7:30-9:30 is a Plus dance with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Tami Helms cueing. We dance in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows Hall Upstairs on the corner of 3rd & Main Streets above LaHaies. More information call 503-848-3841 or www.sunsetpromenaders.com

We had a Zoom Meeting.

We have been keeping in touch through our weekly "Keeping in Touch" e-mail for the past year.

We will have a Zoom Meeting next month.

Toe Draggers: (Linda Curtis, Delegate)

Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1st Friday 7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream (3rd tip Plus) and on the 3rd Friday 7:30-8:00 Plus, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream with the last tip Plus. Caller is K.C. Curtis; and Cuer is Bev Flint. Kinton Grange is at 19015 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Beaverton, 97007. www.toedraggers.org

The Toe Draggers have been holding Zoom Meetings monthly.

We sent a letter and have been talking to the Grange about asking for donations from the Club for the Grange, since they have ongoing expenses, e.g. insurance, maintenance, other expenses.

We have been trying to figure out what to do about our caller and cuer contracts. We will be leaving the contracts as they are.

Tri Squares: (Delegate positions open)

We dance on the second and fourth Friday of each month at the historic Tigard Grange in Tigard. Terry Halley is our club Caller with Sandra Pinion Cueing. We dance from September to June. We are dark in July and August. Hearing enhancement devices are available. We round dance from 7:30 – 7:45, dance Plus from 7:45 to 8:00 and Mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.; the 4th tip will be PLUS. Refreshments are served at 10:00. www.trisquares.com

Although I am no longer a Tri Squares TVC delegate, I wanted to let you know that to my knowledge they have both delegate positions open.

The Tri Squares are keeping in touch with monthly Zoom "Gabfests."

Alice H.

Valley River Dancers: (Jan Amerson and Perrin Damon, Delegates) (Perrin absent)

We dance Plus on 2nd Fridays, and Mainstream on 4th Fridays in Newberg at the Chehalem Community Center, located on the corner of 2nd and Howard Streets. We dance 'A' on 5th Saturdays at the Woodburn Senior Estates Community Club. Randy Dibble is our Caller. Leonard Snodgrass cues 2nd Friday; Sherri Clark cues 4th Friday. www.valleyriverdancers.org

We have had a couple of Zoom Meetings, and we have been able to do some round dance lessons at the Grange, not at our regular hall. The number of dancers have been limited at the lessons.

We have been staying in contact through e-mail and text messages.

We will not be dancing until we get to Phase 3 in Yamhill County.

Valley Squares: *(Julie Cooper and Dorothy Reed, Delegates) (Dorothy absent)*

Dance 3rd Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy, year-round.

Mainstream at class level with rounds from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Plus with rounds from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., dances will end around 9:30 p.m.. Open break with refreshments starting at 8 p.m. Guest callers, Connie Clark Cuer. www.valleysquares.com

We are still waiting to dance. Our Club President has been keeping in touch with us once a month with e-mails.

Wave Steppers: *(Bob Allen, Delegate) (absent)*

Dance 2nd Saturday March through October. The dance is Mainstream, with one PLUS tip, every second tip at the Garibaldi City Hall (107 6th Street, Garibaldi, OR 97118) from 7:00 to 9:30 PM with guest Callers.

No report.

Good of the Order:

No items for Good of the Order.

Next TVC Meeting:

Monday, February 22 at 7 p.m., via Zoom. The Meeting ID and Passcode will be on the next TVC Agenda.

Respectfully edited and published by Andis Garuts, TVC Secretary