

MINUTES – SOUTHWEST DISTRICT MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 2008 – FORT BAYARD, NM

The meeting was called to order by president Jim Groves following a very successful district dance. Those in attendance were officers: Jim Groves, Charles and Pat Davis, Neal and Jody Kilmer, Tom and Jackie Pickering, Bob and Susan Raby; club representatives: Ted and Lois Clements, Allen Crane, Fred and Arlene Beem, Kay and Ron Henderson. Others present were: Shirley Sallach, Art Harvey, Bud Hertzner, and Jim Garrett.

The agenda for the meeting was presented and approved.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was submitted and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

The next district dance will be hosted by the Blue Bell Square Dance Club in Las Cruces. Several dates were discussed including Jan. 31, Feb. 21, and Mar. 21, 2009. Jim will check on the availability of the Bridge Club and will send the information when he gets it. It was decided that the 3:00 pm start time was much better for the majority of the attendees.

NEW BUSINESS

Shirley Sallach presented a petition to apply for membership in the Southwest District from the Crossfires Plus Club in Las Cruces. All the necessary forms and applications have been received and it was voted to accept them into membership.

Discussion was held about the 2010 State Festival. Jim has received the applications needed to get a tax break as a non-profit organization. It was suggested he be sure to sign a contract with the city of Truth or Consequences and get a lodger's tax proposal. We also need to find out if the senior center next door to the convention center can be used for Round Dancers. We are looking into getting a professional caller at least for the Sat. night dance and then using state callers for the other times. It was announced that the 2011 State Festival will be hosted by the Southeast District and will be held at the school in Ruidoso. They have already booked a professional caller.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Raby