

Toronto and District Square and Round Dancing Association

Annual General Meeting – April 1, 2023 – 4 p.m.

St. James United Church – Waterdown, Ontario

There were 65 people in attendance.

Howard Lander called the Annual General Meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

A motion to approve the agenda was made. M/S Dave Williamson/Bob Beck – carried

A motion to approve the minutes of the virtual AGM on June 27, 2020 was made.

M/S Sue Boyle/Betty Beck – carried

No business arising.

Reports:

President's Report: Howard Lander

As we experienced COVID-19 for the past three years many clubs and dancers were affected and clubs had to be closed. The Executive continued to hold meetings virtually by Zoom. Since last year 2022 many clubs have endeavoured to start up again in person.

We have held two successful joint T& D dances:

In Peterborough- October 2022 – Liftlock/Otonabee Squares

In Etobicoke – February 2023 – Arrowhead Squares

We have instated a \$100 grant of support for anyone wishing to become a caller.

There will be a Caller School this July 2023 from July 2 – 5th before the IAGSDC Convention in Ottawa.

The Peterborough clubs are hosting a Spring Spree on April 22, 2023 – afternoon and evening with basic to advanced rooms.

Jean and Howard Lander extended a thank you to all the current members of the Executive.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Beck

Financial Report from July 22, 2022 attached to minutes and was posted at back of room for you to read.

A motion to accept the financial report was made. M/S Bob Beck/Sharron Hall – carried

Secretary's Report: Sue Boyle

Several sympathy cards and get well cards have been sent out in the past three years.

Director's Reports:

Dave Williamson – T & D Joint dances

- We were able to sponsor and host dances in:

October – Peterborough – Liftlock/Otonabee Squares

February – Etobicoke – Arrowhead Squares

March – Guelph – Royal City Squares – cancelled due to snowstorm

April – Waterdown – Village Squares including AGM

Upcoming T&D dances

October 21, 2023 – Peterborough – Liftlock/Otonabee Squares

November 4, 2023 – Guelph – Royal City Squares

February 3, 2024 – Etobicoke – Arrowhead Squares

March 2, 2024 – to be decided

April 6, 2024 – Waterdown – Village Squares plus AGM

Niall O'Reilly - Publicity and Webmaster (read by Howard)

- My regrets for not being able to attend the AGM this year.
- Most clubs have resumed dancing, please review the Toronto and District Clubs page for updated information and to report any changes td-dance.ca

Plans for promotion this summer and fall include

- Full page ad at the IAGSDC Convention in Ottawa, July 5-8, 2023
- Small ad in the program booklet of the Tottenham Bluegrass Festival, June 23-25th
- Targeted Facebook promotion for member clubs having Open Houses in September.

Please consider volunteering to be a member of the T & D executive. I will be unable to fulfill the role of publicity going forward.

Lorna Irwin – Ontario Federation Report:

Plowing Match – EOSARDA hosted a table where flyers from T & D and all eastern clubs were available

- square dancing demonstrations were held.

- We are looking for ideas to promote square dancing
- Next Federation meeting will be held at the Spring Spree April 22nd, 2023 at 1 p.m. All welcome.

No new Business:

Election of Officers – conducted by Wayne Hall

A big thank you was extended to Vice President and Federation Liaison – Lorna Irwin and to directors Terri Rothman and Niall O'Reilly - Publicity for all their dedication to T & D for the past few years. They will be missed.

Jean and Howard Lander have stepped down as Presidents and will continue on the executive as **Past Presidents.**

President - Dave Williamson – stepped up as President - no other nominations from floor

Vice President – Gerry Gregoire – Volunteered to join Executive in this capacity.

Secretary – Patty Cameron – Volunteered to join Executive in this capacity.

Treasurers – Bob & Betty Beck have agreed to stay on as Treasurers – no other nominations from floor

Directors

1. Niall O'Reilly – will continue to act as Webmaster
2. Sue Boyle
3. Dave Williamson- will continue to take care of T & D Joint Dances

We still have director positions open for anyone who may be interested in becoming involved.

Wayne thanked everyone in attendance and extended a big welcome to our two new volunteers.

Patty Cameron – from Hamilton

Gerry Gregoire – from Brampton

The election was closed by Wayne.

The next Annual General Meeting will be held on April 6, 2024 in Waterdown.

Sharron Hall moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:27 p.m.