Metro Square and Round Dance Association Minutes of Annual General Meeting Sunday, 30 September 2012

Sackville Heights Community Centre, 7 pm

Attendees:

Don Scott	Chairman, Central Region Reps
Dottie Welch	Secretary, Metro Matters Editor, Sail Sets
Russ and Mary Trimper	Publicity, Stardusters
Barry & Dyanna Bendle	Treasurer, Timberlea Twirlers

Regrets:

Bob and Inge Ruohoniemi National Society Mary Sargeant Lake City Swingers, Coordinators

1-3. Welcome, Agenda and Minutes:

- 1. Welcome: Meeting called to order at 7:14 pm by Don Scott
- Adoption of the Agenda: Motion to approve as circulated by Dottie W., 2nd Mary T., passed.
- Minutes of 4 March 2012 General Meeting Motion to approve as circulated by Dottie W., 2nd Russ T., passed.

4. Business Arising from Minutes:

a) Christmas Daddies Video:

Russ Trimper talked to Cyril Lunney who said that a video is probably not needed since they know what we would do. Russ has information forms to submit to Roxanne if we are interested in doing this. Deadline is the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, October 9th. If we make a presentation we should also have a significant donation. The group felt that it is easier and at least as effective if we perform on Breakfast TV.

5. Correspondence: (None)

6. Reports from Officers:

a) Chairman, Don and Carol Scott: Nothing new to report. Still plodding along.

b) Treasurer, Barry Bendle:

(see report) Balance as of September 20, 2011: Balance as of December 4, 2011: Balance as of March 1, 2012:	\$2785.43 \$2785.43 \$2785.43	
Income: New Year's Eve Profit 2011 Summer Dancing 2012 Total Income	\$ 28.00 \$ 286.50	\$314.50
Expenses: Bank Service Charges St. Andrew's - Summer Dancing Leader Fees during Summer 2012 Total Expenses	\$ 2.00 \$ 240.00 \$ 210.00	\$452.00

Income minus Expenses	\$-137.50
Closing Balance September 30, 2012	\$2647.93

Motion to approve report as presented by Barry, 2nd Russ, passed

c) Publicity, Russ & Mary Trimper:

- April 25, did a demonstration for Morning Live, Kerry called for 1 square.

- July 1, Pier 21 asked for a demonstration for their celebrations, Kerry called for 1 square. It was a multi-cultural event connected with a Pier 21 anniversary.

- Note that Gary has a section of the website for beginner events. Please send him information about Open Houses.

- 50 Plus Expo had a handout available about known Open Houses and contacts for Regional Reps and Club Reps for beginner opportunities. 100 copies were printed and all were taken.

d) Metro Matters Editor, Dottie Welch: Nothing new to report

e) Central Region Representative, Don Scott:

- SRDFNS AGM will be on October 13th AGM at North Woodside Community Center.
- ANSSRDT is hosting a Federation Festival in Stellarton next June. Details coming soon.
- f) DANS: No report

g) Canadian Square and Round Dance Society: (from Bob and Inge Ruohoniemi)

- National Society dancer membership now costs \$3 per year.

- Local deadline for club registration and CSRDS membership is October 31. Clubs may send directly to Montreal by Feb 28 for late joiners. The Society will also will accept new dancers on October 15 (for the remainder of the year).

- Japanese Appeal has been completed and funds mailed to Japan.

- The National Festival 2014 Committee is busy making the arrangements for the Convention to be held July 17-19 2014, at the new Ottawa Convention Centre. Two trial dances have been held to test flooring and sound.

- Society is looking for a Chairman of the Publicity Committee.

7. Club Reports

a) **Coordinators**, Dottie: Starting tomorrow, same time, same place.

b) Lake City Swingers, Dottie: Started last Thursday with two squares present. Doug and Shirley Walton back after Shirley's long wait for knee replacements.

- c) Fun Squares: No report
- d) Harmony Squares: No report

e) MMM / Ocean Waves: Laurie Naugler informally told Dottie they have started, dancing one square, several members out because of illness.

f) **Tidal Waves:** Barry reports they have not yet mustered enough to dance. Kerry working this week and next.

f) Parkland at the Lake, Dottie: Due to start again this coming Wednesday.

h) Sail Sets, Dottie: Due to start on Tuesday.

i) **Stardusters**, Russ & Mary: Have held 2 nights of Open House with 3 squares of regular dancers on the first night. No new class. Kerry working on a website for Stardusters.

j) **Timberlea Twirlers**, Barry: Started on September 10th. So far that is the only dance due to injuries. Have one new dancer couple (Barb and Boyd Webber).

k) Dancing Shadows, Dottie: Hoping to dance when dance space is available.

1) **Fun Time Rounds:** Started 3 weeks ago at Bloomfield, new couple has been there for the first 2 weeks.

m) **Contra Time Dancers**, Dottie: Held the first dance last night at the Lutheran Church on Windsor Street near Quinpool Road. There was a reasonable crowd out including several new dancers.

8. Old Business

a) Summer Dancing 2012:

8 nights were scheduled, but 3 were cancelled for lack of dancers (Barry twice, Mark once). Loss was \$163.50 but the 3 callers scheduled for the cancelled nights were not paid.

Russ asked Stardusters about this. They felt that we should not schedule Summer Dancing until there are class members who are available and interested in attending. The numbers are so small that those who cannot dance every tip, will not attend for fear they will have to dance too much.

Motion by Barry, 2nd Russ, that we should not schedule Summer Dancing until there are class members who are available and interested in attending. Passed. Motion by Dottie, 2nd Russ, that we pay \$10 caller's fee for each night that a caller was cancelled (for their time and effort to get to the hall). Passed

9. Election of Officers

Chairman: Don & Carol Scott Vice Chair: Secretary: Dottie Welch Treasurer: Barry and Dyanna Bendle Publicity: Russ and Mary Trimper Metro Matters Editor: Dottie Welch Congratulations to all those re-elected.

10. Current and New Business

a) New Year's Eve, Monday, 31 December 2012
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, charge \$10 per person.
Russ to ask Kerry if he is willing and able to call and cue for \$125.
Potluck Supper at 7:30, Dancing 9 pm to Midnight plus a tip.
Basic, Mainstream and Phase II Rounds, Traditional Attire

b) Heart Fund Dance, Feb 22nd at North Woodside gym if possible, otherwise Feb 23rd.

c) Registry of Joint Stocks annual update Fee has been paid. We must submit the Financial Report within two weeks. Fix Scott's address: 1060 Riverside Drive, Lower Sackville, NS, B4C 1B4 (same phone)

10. Updates to Special Dance Schedule:

Oct 13, 2012 Lake City Swingers Swing Into Fall Dec 31, 2012 Metro Association New Year's Eve Feb 22, 2013 Metro Heart Fund Dance Apr 8, 2013 Timberlea Twirlers 50-60's Dance May 3, 2013 Coordinators Sail Into Summer May 9, 2013 Starduster's Pie Night Fund Raiser May 16, 2013 Dice Hill Squares Mulberry Dance Jul 26-27, 2013 SRDFNS Festival 2013 in Stellarton

11. Date and Location of next meeting:

AGM Sunday, December 9, 2012, 7 pm, Sackville Heights Community Centre

12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Barry B. at 8:45

Respectfully Submitted, Dottie Welch, Metro Secretary