WOLF RIVER AREA DANCERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes from the Meeting of October 16, 2023 at Oak Park Place, Green Bay,WI Host Club: Green Bay Squares

The joint meeting of WRADA-WRACA meeting was called to order by WRADA President, Karen Gulbrand at 7:10 p.m.

Dates to Remember

Oct 26	Green Bay Squares 78th Anniversary – Green Bay, WI
Nov 5	SDAW Meeting – Lincoln Town Hall – Marshfield
Jan 15, 2024	WRACA/WRADA Meeting
Feb 10	73 rd National Conv. Sweetheart Dance – Beaver Dam
April 15	WRACA/WRADA Meeting
April 27	Kettle Squares Anniversary Dance – Plymouth, WI
April 28	Twin City Squares Spring Fling – Peshtigo, WI
June 26-29	73 rd National Square & Round Dance Convention
	Milwaukee, WI
July 19	Twin City Squares Solid Gold Dance
June 25-28, 2025	74 th National Square & Round Dance Convention
	Shreveport, LA
Aug. 8-10, 2025	65th WI Square & Round Dance Convention
	Wolf River Area
June 24-28, 2026	75 th National Square & Round Dance Convention
	Waco, TX

Convention Reports

2023: 64th Wisconsin Convention– Let the Good Times Roll General Chairman – Tom & Kathy Nickel August 11–13, 2023 Marriott Madison West, Middleton, WI Colors – Pink and Black Registrations: Total = 548 Dancers, Callers – 27, Cuers – 10 Special guest caller, Jet Roberts 36% Out of State Dancers New to You Clothing Sale Fundraiser to Benefit Convention

2024: 73rd National Square and Round Dance Convention June 26 – 28, 2024 General Chairmen – Scott & Brenda Deal 1350 Dancers Registered Colors: Red, Black, & White Theme: A Great Convention in a Great City on a Great Lake Fundraisers and Donations: Adopt a Floor, Ghost Riders Band Sponsors

2025: 65th Wisconsin Convention – Wolf River Area Host Alvin Hammer & Lisa Reichenberger - General Chairmen August 8-10, 2025 Special Guest Caller – Jack Pladdys Special Guest Cuer – Pat & Joe Hilton "Keep Square Dancing Alive in '25" Colors – Royal Blue and White

MMS&C Wolf River Area will support hiring Special Guest Caller Jack Pladdys and Special Guest Cuers Pat and Joe Hilton for the 65th Wisconsin Convention.

Announcements for Joint Meeting:

\$200 was presented to both WRACA and WRADA from the Wisconsin Square Dance Corporation from surplus Convention Funds. Using the money for Square Dance Promotion is encouraged.

USDA Insurance rate is \$5.50 per dancer for 2024.

No \$2500 Scholarships were awarded. Karen encourages Youth to apply. Kettle Squares is canceling Feb 9th Dance to support National Convention Sweetheart Dance Fundraiser on Feb. 10, 2024 in Beaver Dam.

The Joint Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

WRADA MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Pres. Karen Gulbrand at 8:15 pm. Roll call showed all WRADA Clubs present. Welcome new delegates: Patti VandeHei from Kettle Squares and June Lobeck and David Thompson from Twin City Squares.

The minutes from the last WRADA meeting were approved as printed in Hoedown News.

The Treasurer's report was presented and approved. Current bills were approved to be paid. WRACA will no longer charge for WRADA minutes in Hoedown News. Looking into avoiding Bank fees. <u>Publicity</u>: Alvin Hammer is taking over Colthurst email distribution of

events. It is required to send your email address to him. <u>Old Business</u>: WRADA dues of \$15 and Club Data Sheets are due in January. Hall of Fame nominations for 2024 are due Dec 31, 2023.

MMS&C To approve Banner Stealing Rules revisions with updated wording and requiring "NO BANNER STEALING AT THIS DANCE" wording in Special Dances' flyers and advertising.

<u>New Business:</u> MMS&C WRADA to donate \$100 to 65th Special Guest Caller Fund and \$100 to 65th Special Guest Cuer Fund.

New WRADA Officers: President Ellery Gulbrand, V.P. Karen Gulbrand, Treasurer Petie Agnew, Secretary Cal Stillson.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Ron Mueller, Secretary

BANNER REPORT AS OF October 16, 2023: Romeos and Calicos have Romeos & Calicos, Fox Valley Squares and Twin City Squares. Kettle Squares have Kettle Squares. Fox Valley Squares have Green Bay Squares.