

## WRADA MEETING MINUTES

October 20, 2025, Oak Park Place, Green Bay WI

Meeting call to order at 7:02 pm by WRADA President, Karen Gulbrand

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

<b>2025</b>	November 2	SDAW Meeting & Jamboree - South East Area Prairie Hill Waldorf School, Pewaukee
<b>2026</b>	January 25	SDAW Meeting & Jamboree - Wolf River Area - Green Bay
	January 26	WRADA/WRACA Meeting
	April 20	WRADA/WRACA Meeting
	May 3	SDAW Meeting & Jamboree - NW Central
	June 24-27	75th Nat'l Square & Round Dance Conv., Waco, TX
	July 20	WRADA/WRACA Meeting
	August 7-9	66 <sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Square & Round Dance Conv., Sheraton Convention Center, Brookfield, WI
	August 9	SDAW Meeting - at Convention
	October 19	WRADA/WRACA Meeting
<b>2027</b>	June 23-26	76th Nat'l Square & Round Dance Conv., Loveland, CO
	August 13-15	67th Wisconsin Square & Round Dance Convention UW Stevens Point, Dreyfus Center, Stevens Point, WI
<b>2028</b>	June 28-July 1	77th Nat'l Square & Round Dance Conv., Daytona Beach, FL

### CONVENTION REPORTS:

2025 65<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Convention in Oshkosh.

Co- Chairmen: Mike & Michelle Seurer & Ellery & Karen Gulbrand.

Four Hundred Twenty dancers attended, 95 attended the dinner show on Thursday.  
Trails End Dance distributed \$530 each to Wolf River Area Dancers & Callers Assn's.  
Bucket Raffle had 31 baskets and made apx \$690 to help with convention expenses.  
Four 50/50 raffles were held.

The Post Convention meeting decided there aren't enough round dancers now to  
have a Guest Cuer at the Convention.

The Convention has paid all its bills and is in the black.

2026 66<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Convention is August 7-9 at Sheraton Conv. Center, Brookfield, WI.

General Chairmen: Wayne & Elaine Irwin. Guest Caller: Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie.

Theme: "Get Your Kicks in 2026". Colors: Peacock Blue & Banana Yellow.

130 are registered so far. Ellery & Karen Gulbrand will Chair the Retail Sales.

2027 67<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Convention is August 13-15 at UW Stevens Point, Dreyfus Center.

General Chairmen: Myron & Tracy Hollatz. Guest Caller: Andy Allena, California. Theme:

"Aloha". Colors. Any Flower pattern

**USDA** Clubs that carry USDA insurance are advised to have a statement on their sign-in  
sheets stating that an independent or non-USDA insured dancer will not be  
covered by the USDA plan. They will be dancing at their own risk.

New class members names need to be submitted for insurance with no charge.

Elizabeth Herdt, Merrill, WI gratefully received the USDA \$2500 scholarship.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JOINT MEETING

WRACA (Wolf River Area Callers Association) will be charging \$20 a year to clubs to have  
their listings posted on the Hoedown News web page in order to cover web  
expenses. The Printed Hoedown News will likely continue for 2 or 3 more issues  
after which after which it may only be distributed by email.

**ADJOURNED:** 7:29 pm

**WRADA MEETING** - Called to order at 7:29pm

ROLL CALL: All area clubs were Present.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: MSP to approve as printed in Hoedown News.

TREASURERS REPORT: MSP to approve as presented.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

### PUBLICITY:

Fox Valley has 2-3 new dancers & noted other Friday activities interfere with attendance  
Kettle Squares has 4 new dancers & same problem as Fox Valley. Yard signs and friends  
helped get new people in for Fun Nights.

Green Bay has no new dancers this time but can start them any time.

Twin City has 4 new dancers, some coming from an ad in local newspaper.

Romeos has about 19 new dancers for now, largely the result of a Saturday Public Library  
Family Dance afternoon attended by a home school family that invited more of the  
school's families to come dance on the Fundays. Others came from website searches  
and friends.

### SDAW:

"Where To Dance" brochures are available and "Here 'Tis" is transitioning to a digital  
format due to decreasing subscriptions dropping below bulk mail pricing.

Subscription rate will remain the same. Subscribers must submit their email  
addresses to Scot & Brenda Deal, editors.

New Dancer Hall of Fame inductees: Dave & Betsy Schulz. New Caller Hall of  
Fame inductees: Tom & Judy Hogan and Al Montgomery, all deceased.

Non-Wisconsin Caller Recognition: Don & Doug Sprosty got this new award for their  
support to the State of Wisconsin square dancing.

Videos & interviews from the convention were successful and a video is being made for  
use in marketing square dancing in Wisconsin.

A proposed By-Law change was tabled until it is presented in writing.

Elections will be at the November Meeting

Wolf River Area hosts the January 25th SDAW meeting at the Howard Village Hall.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

### NEW BUSINESS:

Convention Registration Dances can be scheduled by contacting Scott & Brenda Deal.

A "New Dancer Passport" idea was presented by Jeff LaPoint which will give New Dancers a  
free dance at each of Wolf River Area's participating clubs. It was well received and Jeff  
says to contact him when your clubs agrees to participate at [5points20@att.net](mailto:5points20@att.net) or  
920.379.1754.

2027 Convention needs a Wolf River Area Dancer to chair the "Showcase of Ideas"  
committee.

Election of Officers: Motion made to keep the current slate of officers and Seconded.

Motion Passed to keep President Karen Gulbrand, Vice President Ellery Gulbrand,  
Secretary Cal Stillson, Treasurer Petie Agnew.

SDAW Delegates are Karen & Ellery. Alternates, Petie Agnew & Tim Bartz.

A Motion to change the January WRADA date to the 26<sup>th</sup> was made, Seconded & Passed.

### BANNER REPORT:

Kettle Squares has Fox Valley Sqs, Green Bay Sqs, Romeos & Calicos & Twin City Sqs,  
Twin City Squares has Kettle Squares.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** MSP at 8:15. Next Meeting is January 26, 2026.

Submitted by Cal Stillson, Secretary.