

Meeting started at 8:05

Present: Deb Barrett, John McCain, Charles Wallner, Rebecca Pace, Tricia Gorman, Bonnie Carpenter, Cori Yaeger, Steve Edwards, Valerie Allendorf, and Bret Augsburg. Mary Rekers joined at 8:15.

April 11 dance: 49 checked in, including folks on stage. We turned away 1 unvaccinated dancer. Mary will take over treasurer duty at next dance (4/25/22). Cori will join Deb at registration table.

Volunteer Policy

There was a question of the need for volunteer policy. Charles indicated that government requires a volunteer policy, and that insurance and lawyers would also require. It was suggested that the presented draft document be shortened and tightened up before approving. The committee (Tricia, Charles, and Mary) were asked to edit the document to be considered at a future meeting. There is unanimous agreement that this direction is what we want, if things can be condensed.

Closer Duties and Coupons

Discussion around closer duties and Closer Coupon procedure. Mary suggested that we have a binder at the registration table with tabs, including one for volunteers where time is logged. Approved closing rules as presented: **Unanimous**.

Policy and Procedure re Conflict of Interest

Vote: approved **unanimously**. Rebecca will amend the approved document with blanks for board members' names and we'll also print a few copies to be available at the registration table for Board members who don't have access to a printer.

Report on Fringe Festival Contra dance

Deb reported on the Fringe Festival street dance, scheduled June 15 from 8 to 10 pm outside the Know Theatre in downtown Cincinnati.

Should we have a 7:30 lesson at Fringe if possible? The board **voted** "no" overwhelmingly – as the crowd will be fluctuating during the evening.

Should we add an e-transfer service for the tip jar? Mary suggested that this is the band's responsibility and they could choose to share \$ with caller. **Vote:** Yes 6, No 0, Abstain 5.

Mary agreed to prepare fliers about our Monday-night dance to have at Fringe with a QR code and current (as of June 15) protocols.

The band recruitment poster is on Facebook, for bands that might want to start playing for our dances, so we can expand our roster of bands. Interested parties can contact Mary.

Dance protocols

It was determined that it is too soon to change protocol, considering the uncertainty of the spread of the virus.

It was suggested that at the beginning of the evening, the caller remind dancers to keep masks on while in the hall, as well as a gentle reminder about the protocols.

Board Vacancy

Eileen is stepping down from the Board. Our Bylaws say that we must have a special election ASAP to get a new co-Facilitator. Mary has agreed to run. How do we do the special election? Deb will draft an email to send to the membership – and will present to the board for approval/edits.

Digital Payments

Should we have digital payments for dances? Vote: yes 6, no 3, abstentions 2.

Discussion indicated it would be a huge project to set this up, but that it's easy to run it after setup is finished. It was decided to pursue getting enough info to make an informed decision about digital payments.

For future discussion – changing start time to earlier?

Cori and Steve will be at the registration table on May 9 (Deb will not be there.)

Next meeting: May 16 at 8 pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:30