

## Meeting Minutes – Cincinnati Contra Board Meeting – June 11, 2023 7:30 pm

Present: Larry Lankford, Steve Edwards, Myra Mitchell, Bonnie Carpenter, Valerie Allendorf, Cori Yaeger, Charles Wallner, Deven Corzine, Tricia Gorman. Absent: Mary Rekers.

Meeting started at 7:38

### Introduction

Meeting Minutes from 5/7/23 were approved.

Treasurer's Report for May, 2023 was approved.

Secretary report

Dance Attendance Numbers keep climbing; May numbers have averaged 46.

WFAC – nothing new at this time. Charles will check on current status.

Social Secretary Report – “trees in memory” sent to Angela by Larry in memory of Richard Kern. Bonnie will send card to Carolyn Tindale (illness).

Scheduling Reports - Callers and Bands schedule is out. Deven is working on the openers and closers schedule. New schedules are not yet on the website. Bonnie has names of one new caller and one new band that might be approved by the board for scheduling.

### Old Business

Pigtown Report - Tricia reported that she has a list of volunteers for PTF 2024, but no new leads.

Venue for PT, Valerie, Charles, Myra have checked venues. No schools seem to want to book a year ahead. Still can't make plans without a venue – no bands or callers can be booked until we have a venue. We will stay fluid for now and Decide on size of event when find a venue.

Bonnie may check bands' availability for PT 2024.

Email: Should we be sending out a status report about PTF? no

“Free” Dance” has been changed back to first dance

Fliers and Publicity – update? Audrey sent their plans and Cori will forward to the rest of the board.

Calling language now posted on schedule (except for callers who wished not to declare). We will review near the end of the current schedule (November or December).

Starting time – no change now during the summer months.

Suggestion that callers call 5 contras before the break and Bonnie will contact.

## **New Business**

Board cohesiveness and appropriate influencing - in reference to callers' choice on calling language (gendered or gender-free). Concern over Tricia contacting callers, causing confusion about what they plan to do. Keep things as the board has decided.

Board meeting time will be changed to 7 pm from now on – and we will attempt to keep it the first Sunday evening of each month.

Tabled to next meeting:

Out of town bands and callers?

New caller/band vetting?

Open mike nights (suggested by Liz B) tabled

Saturday dances resume? -

Communications

Teaching Tips – is there a way to incorporate some teaching into our dances?

Meeting ended at 8:54 pm

Next meeting: July 2, 2023, 7:00 pm.

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