

Minutes – Cincinnati Contra Board Meeting

**November 3, 2024 7:00 pm**

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**Present:** Valerie Allendorf, Cori Yaeger, Bonnie Carpenter, Larry Lankford, Deven Corzine, Myra Mitchell, Josh Telecsan, Charles, Wallner, Steve Edwards, Kurt Grannan, Audrey Eyman, Michael Hentz.

Meeting started: 7:07 pm.

**Introduction**

Meeting Minutes from 10/06/24 – accepted as typo-corrected.

Treasurer’s Report - Larry – accepted as presented. Steve noted that Pigtown paid for itself before we paid any of the PTF bills. Rent was approved to be \$125 per evening. Agreed to tell WFAC that we are willing to pay \$125 as soon as we get a contract.

Secretary’s report - Cori – annual meeting summary

WFAC report – Pay \$125 per dance – starting when we get contract- Steve will contact Lydia.

Social Secretary Report – Bonnie – no cards sent this month.

Scheduling Report – Bonnie is handling Monday dances; Deven working point on Saturday night dances. Requests to callers and bands sent out. Also requests to callers to allow new callers to call one or two dances on their night. Sent out new dance time will be 7:30 with teaching starting at 7:00.

June 28 – Out of town band coming in – want \$300. It would be a 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday dance. Note that we usually have dance on 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in June. Consensus that we agree on the \$300 – but need make sure hall is available on June 28. Bonnie will do that.

Techno dance? An add-on to a regular dance, or a whole techno dance? dance.

Consensus that we do a techo as a regular Saturday dance, not add-on to a regular dance or an extra dance.

**Old Business**

When do we start 7:30 – January - for both Saturdays and Mondays. How do we let dancers from other cities that our dances will be earlier (Cori check with Michael about where he suggested we post it?)

Website – Audrey & Cori – nothing to report

Caller workshop report- Audrey noted that it went really well. Deven reported that Darlene suggested new callers start calling a dance every other dance on November 11. Board OK with that.

Google Drive progress – Deven and Josh no work so far. Will start working on it this month.

PTF update – Registration online soon. Kurt has worked on the art for flyers etc! Valerie asked for volunteers to work with current committee to be ready to take over for future PTF.

Report on WFAC Fall Fest – contra exhibition Steve reported that the turnout was a bit disappointing, but those who attended seemed to have a good time. A bit frustrating that the downstairs had no signs directing folks to the upstairs.

Break definition:

Need a policy statement: The board’s policy for dances is that there will be a break a bit later than half-way through the dance. This is part of our contract with the band, and gives dancers a break as well. On Saturday dances we will have snacks during the break. Cori, Steve and Bonnie will finalize wording to go out to bands and callers.

## **New Business**

Carpooling - tabled

Recruiting more dancers – flyers with “coupons” (suggested by John Zeller) – Steve suggested that we have a small group brainstorm ideas for recruiting.

Speaker still not working – next steps? Josh suggested that we get permission to enter WFAC and work with the speakers. Find if problem follows the board or the speakers. Josh says we need written permission from WFAC to actually work with the speakers. Start with John and then move on.

Next meeting discuss having ½ day retreat.

Meeting ended at 9:07.

Next meeting: December 1, 2024, 7:00 pm zoom (facilitated by Philip?)

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