

Cincinnati Contra Dance

Board Meeting

January 28, 2002

Members Present:

Karen Keeton	John Brockman	Jim Vogt
Diane Frick	Susan Vogt	Simone Ferreira
Lucy Crane	Jodi Sena	Debbie Barrett
Bill Pope	Larry Lankford	Sylvia Hadley
Steve Edwards	Steve Tossey	Ed

Eileen Bens

1. Board Members

Board members elected during the recent voting include:

Lucy Crane, Karen Keeton, Steve Edwards, Jodi Sena, John Brockman, Eileen Bens, and Jim Vogt. Officers will be as follows

Lucy Crane – facilitator

Karen Keeton – co-facilitator

Steve Edwards – secretary

John Brockman – Membership

Jodi Sena, Eileen Bens and Jim Vogt will be members at large.

Lucy will work on an addition to the by-laws which include a place for a membership officer.

2. Hall Search

St. Bernard – a test dance was held at St. Bernard on Dec. 8, 2001. Cost is \$325 for Saturday and \$200 for a Monday night. We must take down the tables and set them back up every time. In general, people did not like the hall – see attached graph.

Promenade Palace – test dance to be held on February 22, 2002. We need to make flyers to announce this as well as let others know during announcements at dances. This dance coincides with Lexington's Fourth Friday Dance. Lucy will discuss with Lexington, explaining reason for change of date.

Test Dance Surveys: Shelly has the survey forms and Charlie will provide and analysis of collected forms.

Another possibility is St. Mark's (near St. Xavier University)

Another possibility is Harmony Hall in Winton Place. Ed reports that it appears to be a nice hall, with a wood floor and a stage. It would be worth checking out.

Jim Vogt reports, from Father Klug, expected renovation of Annunciation is to begin in September 2002. The gym currently being used for Contra Dance will not be torn down, however, it is expected to be merely a storage facility, without any functions planned for the school or parish.

Minimum Requirements for a new hall include

Cost

Parking

Size – at least the same space size as Annunciation (approx. 40 x 70ft.)

Avoid places which are unavailable for both Saturday and Monday night dances.

Location – within the I-75, I-71, & Norwood Lateral loop.

Test dances on Mondays or Fridays

(try to avoid 2nd and 4th Fridays (Lexington) and 1st Fridays (Dayton))

New Hall Search Committee will consist of the Board members and anyone else to would like to investigate halls and come to the meetings. Hall Search Worksheet forms are available from any of the board members.

3. Monday Night Dances

For bands and callers from out of town inquiring about playing for Monday night dances, the schedule deadline is 6mos in advance. The schedule is made out twice a year from January to June and from July to December. Bands need to contact us as far in advance as possible, and preferably at least 6 months. If the schedule is already set, the band/caller can be offered a time in the next schedule, depending on availability. Lucy will write up a policy.

Respectfully submitted:

Eileen Bens