

# Minutes From Meeting February 19, 2007

Those in attendance: Eileen Bens, Debbie Lucas, John Brockman, Karen Keeton, John McCain, Chuck Reidmiller, Susan Vogt, Paul Fox, Rich Kern, Angela Kern, Valarie Bobosh, Jim Vogt, Ron Hoffman, Larry Lankford.

**Minutes** from the November 20 meeting were read and approved.

**Kentucky Folklife Festival** – The Cincinnati Contradance group has been invited by the Louisville Contradance group to participate in the Kentucky Folklife Festival, a biannual event sponsored by the Kentucky Historical Society and the Kentucky Arts Council. The event will take place in downtown Frankfort from Thursday, September 20 through Saturday, September 22. (See attached). This event is in conflict with Dayton's first all day dance event "Flight of Fancy" on Saturday, September 22. The discussion was in favor of primarily supporting Dayton's event since they are closer and may benefit more from our participation than the Kentucky event would. The coalition of Lexington, Louisville, and Berea has not yet made clear what they expect from the Cincinnati group should we decide to participate. The Dayton group has asked for experienced dancers to assist by dancing and generally being there to help and encourage beginners. The general consensus was to support the Dayton dance and wait for further information from the Kentucky coalition before making any commitment to the Kentucky weekend event. There will be a meeting March 3 in Lexington (before the Lexington dance) where more information could be available. A suggestion was made that someone from the Cincinnati group attend the March 3 meeting if they are going to the dance anyway. There were no commitments from anyone in attendance to do so, although some said it might be possible.

**Band issues committee** – There was a meeting of the band issues committee on 01-20-2007 (see attached). The committee reports that those present were satisfied with the conclusions. This includes provisions for new bands to play at a Monday dance. These would be included during the normal 6 month scheduling cycle and would not be an "open" night waiting for a band. There is the possibility of having the Cincinnati Contradance Group assist or take over Bernadine's monthly dance in Mason to provide more opportunities for local bands and callers. No decision was made about the Mason dance.

**Out of town band possibility on April 16** – The Cincinnati dance group has been approached by the Columbus dance group about the possibility of having Lissa Schneckenburger play the Monday April 16 dance after playing a Columbus dance the day before. Columbus was told that as a policy, we do not bump out a regularly scheduled band for a touring band. While we are not changing our policy, there might be a quirk in the scheduling that could involve bands switching nights in such a way as to allow this to happen. Brittany Bay cannot play on one of their scheduled nights. If they choose to not switch nights with another band, and Good and Plenty String Band switches to the Brittany Bay night, then Lissa Schneckenburger might be able to play. This is speculative and depends on the scheduling of the two local bands involved. Larry Lankford will consult both local bands to see if this is practical. It was emphasized that this is not a change in policy. [After the meeting it was determined that the arrangements could not be made to bring Lissa to Cincinnati on April 16.]

**Pigtown Fling Update** – Paul Fox, our King Pig for 2007, reported that a preliminary workshop schedule exists and anyone wishing to review it should contact him.

**Flyer with Contradance Customs** – A flyer has been produced as an aid to dancers of our customs and dance terminology. Comments are invited and should be directed to Susan Vogt and/or Eileen Bens. An additional message “As a matter of courtesy it is customary not to accept a request to dance after you have refused someone else.” is expected to be added.

Respectfully submitted by Larry Lankford, secretary