

Cincinnati Contra Dance (CCD) Meeting Minutes 03-17-2008

Those in attendance: Pam Stoll, Rich Kern, Debbie Lucas, Larry Lankford, Terri Spiegel, John Brockman, Christie Brock, Becky Geiger, John McCain, Chuck Reidmiller, Eileen Bens, Jim Good, Paul Fox.

Minutes from the 11-12-2007 meeting were read and approved.

There was discussion of contributing to a fundraiser at WNKU or for scholarships at the Country Dance and Song Society, a national non-profit organization with which we have ties. A committee may be formed to investigate worthy organizations to which donations might be made. Since John McCain has taken over for Karen Keeton as treasurer, the assemblage voted to add John to the steering committee. It should be noted that John has served the CCD on the steering committee and in many other capacities for many years, and declined to run for the steering committee this year as a way of encouraging others to run.

Saturday Night Dances: John McCain said he will make sure there is money available to pay expenses at the dances. It was decided to offer a Monday dance coupon to people who bring refreshments for the Saturday dances to encourage contributions.

Website: Many thanks were offered to Chuck Reidmiller for maintaining the website, and posting the cancellation notice for the dance cancelled due to weather. It was decided to remove the treasurer's report and other financial data from minutes posted on the website.

Waltz Evenings: There is a need for a treasurer assistant at the Waltz events. Christie Brock volunteered to help. There is another local waltz group that has offered to teach classes before our Monday night dances (7-8PM) possibly in the room above the dance hall for the four Mondays prior to our waltz event. This same group might want to collaborate with the Oct 31 waltz event.

Name Badges: There was a consensus to change, sometime in the near future, to button style name tags from the plastic and paper badges now in use. We will still have two colors to help identify and welcome newcomers. We will also encourage people to take their name buttons with them instead of storing them at the dance hall.

Pigtown Updates: Jim Good reports that we have 190 pre-registered for Pigtown with two more women than men. More tables and chairs were requested for the refreshment area at Pigtown. Jim Vogt is our liaison with Holmes School.

Sound: John Brockman and Pam Stoll will investigate speakers and monitors and alteration of the stage backdrop to improve sound reproduction in the hall and on stage.

Respectfully submitted by Larry Lankford, secretary