

Cincinnati Contra Dancers (CCD) Meeting Minutes 5/17/2010

Attendees: Patricia Gorman, Colette Palmer, Susan Vogt, Mary Rekers, Eileen Bens, Rich Kern, Ryan Smith, Frank Buschmann, Larry Lankford, John Brockman, Christie Brock, Sue Selchert, Buddy Smith, Chuck Reidmiller, Terri Spiegel, Brenda Worcester, Paul Fox Darlene Underwood

Minutes from the 7/13/09 meeting were approved.

New Business:

Piano: Some money was set aside for the purchase of the piano on stage, but the amount is unknown as the treasurer is not at this meeting. Mary says the center director has decided not to pay for the piano, since it's here anyway. The asking price is \$6,400.00. Mary will ask if the old piano can be moved off the stage to make more room. The group voted to not purchase the piano.

Other Center (Building) Issues: Downspouts and gutter work, is to be done soon and the boiler needs to be replaced. There will be an energy audit performed and replacing lights with LEDS is being considered. These repairs will cost the center \$10,000-\$12,000. The Center will receive some grant money to help cover the cost and will accept all donations. Frank will locate a plumber in June. Mary recommended Jones's plumbing.

Encouraging People to Help Clean Up and Bring Snacks to Saturday Dances: The group discussed ways to encourage people to volunteer to help clean up after the dance on Monday's. One of the proposals included receiving a Monday night dance voucher. It was also suggested that this (and receiving a voucher if you bring a snack to a Saturday dance) be announced by the callers (placed on the caller's note card).

Charitable Contributions Committee: The group is called upon from time to time to make a charitable contribution. Some of the questions that have arisen related to this are: Should there be a set dollar amount, a set number of donations per year, should the recipient be a family member of a dancer, an entity related to dance? It was determined that a sub committee would be formed to address such questions. Members include: Paul F., Ryan S., Buddy S., Eileen B. and John B.

Callers: There will be a caller's group formed to help develop and support the caller community. The group will consist of: Ryan, Darlene, Frank, Mike B., Christie and Paul. There are several individuals interested in being added to the Monday rotation.

Refreshments at Saturday Dances: We need a Saturday night refreshment coordinator. John B. will send out an e-mail soliciting for one.

Using Postal Mail: The group discussed ways to stop using the US mail for flyers, schedules and announcements. It was decided that several announcements at dances would be made stating that we would stop using the mail and rely on the Internet and e-mail. We will also place flyers on the table and the bulletin board for those who do not have Internet access.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer was not in attendance.

Submitted by: Terri Spiegel, Secretary
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