

IndyContra Board Minutes
October 12, 2010

Present: Juliet Port, Dianna Davis, Ken Gall, Barry Levitt, Doug Engle, Kathryn Millis. Carole Gall, Bradley Belles (guests).

- 1) Minutes
 - Approved unanimously with minor edits.
- 2) Finances
 - a) Barry notes that attendance has not been higher when we've had traveling bands. Brief discussion ensued. This may be related to local dancers not knowing them?
 - b) GMB registration is on track.
- 3) Scheduler
 - a) Deborah Denefeld is interested in calling. Board approved.
 - b) Dianna will email the Heartland listserv on the 3 Halloween theme contras (us, Bloomington, Louisville).
 - c) Dianna has talked with Perpetual e-Motion, Diane Silver, and everything looks fine for GMB.
- 4) Setup
 - a) ...
- 5) GMB 2010
 - a) Buttons – need to do a button making party. Kathryn will send last year's to Juliet who will make the template.
 - b) Scholarships – Barry & Juliet discussed who's doing what to earn scholarships.
 - c) Friday – arrive @ Earth House Friday 6:15 to gather equipment. Doug will handle transportation of the sound system from Earth House to Zion, and then to Scout Camp on Saturday. Dianna will touch base with Brian about any need for sound.
 - d) Dianna is trying to get a friend or two to play couple's dancing with her at 1 on Saturday. Will also ask them to play for Sunday morning. Board approved giving them free admission for the weekend.
 - e) Button making party at Earth House, 7 p.m. Tuesday night before the dance.
 - f) Sunday breakfast prep - Jeanette Bagley & Diane Ross in charge.
 - g) Saturday dinner prep – Bradley Belles in charge. Juliet will find a 2nd person from among the scholarship requestors.
- 6) Beach Party
 - a) Dianna will ask Mean Lids to play.
- 7) IS040 dance
 - a) Bradley Belles will do pre-registration, cancel if their group doesn't get 25 couples, at \$5/person; "Sadie Hawkins" style.

- b) Agreed to max at about 80 of his people, regular IndyContra dancers get in free to seed the crowd with experience.
 - c) Ken will not focus on heavy teaching at the beginning, but plan on teaching things every few dances.
 - d) Dianna will line up band.
- 8) Barn Dance – William Danner is handling, it's his dance.
- 9) Discussed memo to callers, making text encouraging, appeal to interest in dancers, not self. Kathryn asked that we discuss at a future meeting how our experienced dancers can better help newer ones.
- 10) “Experienced” dance – try to offer on Thursdays? Traveling bands could be interested, if they have gigs with us, then Bloomington, and need to fill Thursday before a Friday event.
- 11) Next board meeting will be the 2nd Tuesday in November, the 9th.
- 12) Good of the order
- a) Kathryn reports that our web provider said he would load WordPress, software to make a prettier more collaborative web site, this week.
 - b) Kathryn did not have draft text for a friendlier child policy.
- 13) GMB 2011
- a) Kathryn emailed young dance gypsies for ideas, and got these suggestions.
 - i) Bands:
 - (1) Mean Lids, see <http://www.myspace.com/meanlids>
 - (2) Noreaster, see <http://www.myspace.com/noreastercontra>
 - (3) Appalachian Storm, see <http://appalachianstorm.com>
 - (4) Mixed Nuts, see <http://il.youtube.com/watch?v=YBM4bMbC6jY>
 - ii) Callers:
 - (1) Jesse Edgerton (see <http://il.youtube.com/watch?v=xpvrwDGhTMO>)
 - (2) Michael Hamilton (will be 2nd caller at Delafield)
- 14) Beach Party 2011. Juliet will see if we can get the Earth House the weekend before Ann Arbor, Saturday February 19.