

Indy Contra Meeting
Tuesday, March 8, 2011
6pm, Earth House Collective



Present: Dianna Davis, Ian Fulford, Barry Levitt, Kathryn C. Millis (minutes), Juliet Port, Jamie Shepherd, Vickie Stohl.

I. Welcome New Members (Juliet)

a. Briefly discussed meetings and procedures. Several members have trouble arriving by 6, so meeting time will officially be 6:15.

II. Last Meeting Minutes (Kathryn)
Approved.

III. Treasurer's Report (Barry)

Attendance is good. We're consistently getting two lines; memberships are significantly up from the same period last year. Nobody has recent receipts for reimbursement, but Kathryn (and Juliet?) need to send Barry info about purchases for Beach Party, etc., they are donating.

IV. New Officer Selection - see position descriptions, attached

- a. President – Juliet continuing.
- b. Vice President – Dianna continuing.
- c. Treasurer – Barry continuing.
- d. Secretary – Kathryn continuing.
- e. Other Positions /Committees?
 - Sound being handled by Lisa, etc.
 - Scheduler – Vickie
 - Publicity – Jamie

V. Membership

- a. Agreed to create \$7 membership for those 25 and under.

VI. Business

- a. Bylaws Review – Kathryn will start to review Bylaws for needed edits. We need to update contact and information options to make electronic the default, e.g. email rather than postal mail, and Internet rather than "notebook."
- b. Election Procedures – Need to update that section of the Bylaws sufficiently in advance of next year's elections to allow for electronic communication.
- c. Mission Statement draft ideas (attached) – Agreed to discuss samples at our next meeting, after members have had time to review and compare them.

VII. Publicity

- a. Spirit and Place –Juliet submitted the Spirit and Place Application, and will send a copy of the completed application to Kathryn. Barry wrote a check to Zion for

renting their space for our event, but we do not have a contract from them yet. The Church Within asked us to collaborate on an event, but we decided not to for several reasons. (Did not have sufficient advanced notice for us to participate in planning, was aimed at families, etc.)

- b. Business cards – Juliet had business cards made, but having them re-done due to a spelling error.

- c. Thistle and Shamrock – We have some funds banked that were donated specifically for WYFI sponsorship, cost is probably still \$60 per fifteen second spot, which is about the same as a business card size ad in local alternative papers.

- d. Other

VIII. Good of the Order

- a. Schedule/workshops – Will aim to schedule workshops on 3rd Tuesdays. Kathryn and Dianna will work with Vicky to get her oriented to the current talent, Gmail & Google calendar, etc.

IX. Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 12. We will start future meetings at 6:15, not 6.

BOARD POSITIONS FROM THE BYLAWS

Section 2. President:

The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation and shall, in general, supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Corporation. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and of the members. The President shall serve as an exofficio member on all committees. The President may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Corporation who is authorized by the Board, any bonds, contracts or other instruments which the Board has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general shall perform all duties as may be prescribed by the Board from time to time.

Section 3. Vice President:

In the absence of the President or in the event of the inability or refusal of the President to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President.

Section 4. Treasurer:

The Treasurer shall discharge his or her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board shall determine. The duties of the Treasurer shall include: ITMDG Bylaws Approved: November 16, 1999 page 3 of 7 Having charge and custody of and being responsible for all funds and securities of the Corporation; receiving and giving receipts for money due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever, and depositing all such funds in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with these Bylaws; Preparing and presenting a treasurer's report at each regular Board meeting and a financial statement at each Annual Meeting; In general performing all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Treasurer by the Board.

Section 5. Secretary:

The Secretary shall:

Keep minutes of meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose; See that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; Be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal, if any, of the Corporation and see that the seal, if any, of the Corporation is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the Corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with provisions of these Bylaws; Keep the membership records, including each member's preferred method of notice of membership meetings, and produce a roster of this information at the frequency decided by the Board; In general, perform all the duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Secretary by the Board.

MISSION STATEMENTS

From CDSS:

The Country Dance and Song Society (CDSS), through its resources, programs and enthusiasm, celebrates and preserves traditional English and Anglo-American dance, music and song; promotes their new expression; connects people who enjoy them; and supports communities where they can continue to thrive.

Indy Contra:

The Indianapolis Traditional Music and Dance Group (dba Indy Contra) celebrates and preserves traditional Anglo-American dance, music and song; promotes their new expression; connects people who enjoy them; and organizes and supports related events in and near Central Indiana.