

Indy Contra Meeting  
Tuesday, April 12, 2011  
6:15 p.m., Earth House Collective

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

1. Minutes: Were accepted as amended to reflect a new \$7 cost for age 25 and under memberships.
2. Treasurer: Barry has given Juliet the check to give Zion for GMB rent, but we still have no contract with them. Attendance continues to be decidedly up from recent years.
3. Old monitor: Juliet will ask Earth House managers if they want it. We don't.
4. Scheduling:
  - a. Almost scheduled through June; one band has to switch, & still need one caller decision. Will work in May on scheduling 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, so we can meet more local media deadlines.
  - b. Pam is hosting a private fundraising event for Spirit and Place. Will Indy Contra donate a band for the evening?
  - c. Workshops: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays. Juliet & Barry will lead Beyond the Basics, on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Waltz on June 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. Open Calling. Schedule for July 12<sup>th</sup>.
5. Bylaws review:

Will discuss in May or June.
6. Mission Statement:

Preferred the variation on CDSS's. Voted unanimously to approve. Kathryn will post on the web site. We will amend it into bylaws when we work on them.
7. Beach Party 2012:

Will try to schedule in late February or early March, hope to pick a date in May. Kathryn and Vickie will look into dance weekend conflicts.
8. GMB 2011:

Jamie will work on postcard/flier. Juliet will contact Zion again about getting a signed contract. Need color fliers printed in time for distribution at Dance Trance. Ian will line up hotel blocks, and will ask hotels if we can use a space for party/jamming.

Jamie wants to do t-shirts for GMB, at least for pre-registered. Will play with logo ideas and email draft for feedback. Will get estimate for printing three styles: men's, women's, tanks.

9. Earth House floor:

Has EH worked on any repair yet? What we're dancing on may not be the floor but originally subfloor? Ken suggests grant writing to add a new floor, vague guess \$15,000? Callers need to push non-dangerous dancing, shoes, etc.

10. First Fridays:

Dianna will look at what activities are happening, and for possible dance sites closer to those activities. Vickie will look at dates, to see if a regular First Friday dance would compete with regular dances or weekend events in Louisville, Cincinnati, Bloomington, & other nearby cities. Check Earth House schedule. NOTE from the secretary: Earth House has begun routinely hosting First Friday arts stuff in the Café!

11. 2<sup>nd</sup> monitor:

Dianna reports that we seriously need to consider a 2<sup>nd</sup> monitor. Is there enough space? Having only a single monitor leaves musicians who can't hear themselves. We don't need to accommodate everyone in open band nights, but do need to do better for our regular and visiting bands.

12. Related dances:

Dave & Heather want to do contra at a reenactors' group. Shannon is doing SCA events.