

Indy Contra Board
March 27, 2012 FINAL for BOARD
6:15 p.m. Port residence

Present: Juliet Port, Dianna Davis, Barry Levitt, Jamie Shepherd, Kathryn Millis (minutes); Chris Reading (guest).

1. Minutes. Approved with minor corrections.
2. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Attendance was stable in February 2012, has stayed up for over a year.
 - b. Kathryn is compiling info on what other dance groups pay (talent, sound, and hall), still needs to get information from nearby dance communities. Many dances farther away guarantee the caller and band members a minimum and split nightly profits (if any) with them. Almost all pay the sound person. This info will help us assess how we pay talent, though we may need to regularly make money at the dances before we can pay more.
3. Board:
 - a. Dianna Davis, Kathryn Millis, and Juliet Port were unanimously re-elected at the annual membership meeting in February.
 - b. Made slight changes to Officer positions. Jamie Shepherd is now Vice President. Dianna Davis is now in charge of workshops & special events. Vickie, Barry, and Kathryn keep their positions as scheduler, treasurer, and secretary/P.R., respectively.
4. GMB 2012:
 - a. We have a main caller and band (Rebecca Lay and Anadama) and agreed on a standard pay agreement, and second band (Coffee Zombies) and agreed on their pay but do not have second caller.
 - b. Dianna will talk with possible second caller.
 - c. Kathryn will contact Rebecca and Anadama about whether they want to fly or to drive and perform on the way (but not too close).
 - d. If Ian has an inventory and label supplies party in April or May, Kathryn wants to start shopping sales (and also not buy duplicates when we can't figure out what we have).
5. Scheduling:
 - a. Discussed workshops. Dianna will try to schedule one a month, with no extra pay (for now), not on open band/caller night and not on board meeting night. Folks doing announcements at the dance will ask what people want to learn. Dianna will ask Bob Duffy to do Cajun/Zydeco session.
6. First Friday:

- a. Juliet will ask Zion this week if we can dance June's first Friday. Food Truck festival is expected to start up in May, so there may be parking and travel conflict, but it may offer great visibility.
 - b. Dianna will ask Cincinnati callers if one of them is interested. Dianna will try to book a local band. Discussed approximate budget for the event.
7. Busking:
- a. We need to scope out sites for busking during First Friday. Musicians, sign, and contra fliers needed. Dianna says it's legal as long as it's not amplified. Starbucks on Mass Ave also welcomes them.
 - b. Kathryn will find old emails with City Market farmer's market manager and ask about busking or performing outside, now that it's warmer.
8. P.R.:
- a. Kathryn has changed location from Earth House to Zion on all the p.r. and advertising places she can think of, but some won't take effect until the next print issue or update.
 - b. Jamie is asking a friend who is sports photographer to come to dances and GMB to take pictures. Juliet and Chris will give Kathryn a disc of wedding pictures; we can use them as long as they are credited.
9. Next meeting: (April 17 income tax filing deadline) 6:15 p.m. at Juliet's.