Indy Contra Board July 24, 2012 6:30 p.m. Zion Evangelical UCC

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

1. Minutes.

a. Did not have June minutes handy. Please read over emailed minutes and email feedback to Kathryn, who will assume they're OK and post them this weekend if nobody has commented.

2. Treasurer's Report:

- a. June & July attendance has been lower than spring attendance, but this also happened in recent years.
- b. Juliet needs to give Barry receipt for the new fan.
- c. Jerry & Rose Ann Fohey brought a very helpful fan last week. Heather suggests that we look into building a frame. Kathryn will ask other dance groups if they have advice.

3. Scheduler's Report:

- a. Third quarter is scheduled. Entwyned has been very flexible and helpful, and substituted when we had an unexpected need.
- b. Several things made it difficult to schedule bands this quarter, including Dianna's surgery, Sam Stelting's move, and Mark Conway's new twins.
- c. Discussed intent of the workshops: they are for newer (not brand new) dancers, to work on basic or early intermediate level skills.
- d. Need to identify leaders for these sessions, which we agreed last month to hold very fourth Tuesday. We had agreed to rotate among waltz, "rhythm and flow," advanced beginner, extra long beginner, flourishes, and other topics. Today we decided the "other topics" should probably focus one at a time on "confusing" or "complex" moves like contra corners and square through.
- e. Entwyned is playing 8/28, so there will be couple's dancing at 7:15.
- f. Workshops will start 9/25.

4. GMB:

- a. Need to find and confirm a waltz site for Sunday morning, so Jamie can do a new flier with details and registration form.
- b. Could Ken Gall contact Marie (?) at the Riolo?
- c. Barry will call Woodruff Town Hall

- d. Dianna should be able to work on the workshops soon after her surgery (later this week).
- e. Sound: Brainstormed names. Juliet suggests we need to ask Dianna's opinion.

5. Sound system:

a. The board needs Dianna, Vickie and/or Heather to pick a specific monitor for the board to approve buying. We need a second monitor so that larger bands can all hear themselves playing. Adding a 2nd monitor won't add significant labor to setup & takedown.

6. Heat:

- a. Juliet reports that we can dance downstairs. This, like dancing in the heat, has several downsides as well as upsides. Con: hard floor, poles, low ceiling, must move equipment down & back, need for someone to watch the door. Pro: cooler.
- b. Caller could use 1 microphone, 1 speaker, and the soundboard, if the band doesn't need amplification.
- c. The board is divided over whether dancers would prefer a hot room with a good floor, or a cool room with a hard floor.
- d. Juliet will ask for a show of hands tonight. Unless there is strong desire to stay upstairs we'll try the basement next week (Kathryn will put out lots of p.r. to bring cushy shoes), then see what people prefer.

7. Gym:

a. Juliet will ask if we can get estimates on repairing the ceiling fan and touching up the floor, before GMB, if we are willing to pay part of the cost. Y camp used to redo floor after GMB, but it's already pretty sticky compared to other dance weekends.

8. First Fridays:

- a. Church not available September 7. Decided not to do December 7. Next weekend dance will be Beach Party in February 2013.
- 9. Next meeting: August 21, 6:30 p.m. at Zion.