

Cincinnati Contra Dancers Board Meeting 8/15/2016

Board members present: Larry Lankford, Greg Wenker, John McCain, Shelly Zeiser, Ashley Greathouse, Frank Buschermann, Christopher Wood, Kristen Planeaux, Charlie Wallner, Kristie Armstrong; Non-board members present: Deb

1. Proposed Amendment to Bylaws: to allow board meetings via electronic means.
 - a. First need board approval, then need general members at large approval
 - b. In favor: 10, opposed: 0, abstain: 0
2. Approval of Disciplinary Action Policy
 - a. Note: Frank will look into board insurance (separate from liability insurance)
 - b. Purpose of policy is to protect board members and Cincinnati Contra Dancers by having a specific way of handling any potential issues. Group has a responsibility to do our due-diligence when having 501©-3 (per Charlie Wallner non-profit consulting).
 - c. Copies of behavior policies/bylaw changes need to be sent to CDSS and the IRS.
 - d. Transparency on website: should behavior policies be posted or just etiquette?
 - i. Board decided policy should not be posted on website but should be maintained/sent digitally if needed
3. Policies section of website
 - a. Board discussing/debating posting section of policies/procedures on website
 - i. Opening/closing
 - ii. Volunteer tab
 - iii. Forms for potential Saturday bands
4. Grant Received!
 - a. Christie got us a \$1,000 grant from Interact for Health to be utilized for a dance for new/families/younger people who can come to recurring, physical fitness, social events.
 - i. Healthy snacks- Greg Wenker volunteered, Shelly/Ashley as maybes
 - ii. Outreach/marketing- Charlie Wallner volunteered, (Inquirer calendar)
 - iii. Free dance!- Ben Smith techno/Frank Buschermann calling; Kristen Planeaux will coordinate
 - b. Final grant report
5. YouTube Page
 - a. Potential idea to have a page and “like”/put into playlists already existing videos of Cincinnati Contra Dancers
6. Anonymous Concerns/Complaints
 - a. Men/women switching roles (shenanigans line)
 - i. Can be confusing to other members of the dance community
 - ii. Asking people who participate in shenanigans to discuss with the calling when they plan to do it and telling the caller- Shelly will speak with members who frequently participate in shenanigans
 - b. Board members missing dances
 - i. Bylaws do not specifically state that members of the board need to attend a certain number of dances