

Board meeting April 16 2020

Present: Liz Burkhart, Daniel Smith, Matt Reyna, John Gintell, Jeff Dusenberry, Nicholas Prosin, Ollie Cultrara

Finances: we finalized decisions to pay out talent for canceled Spring LCFD Camp

Discussion on Raven vs Robin - Robin becoming favored in the region and throughout; but LCFD website and other media presence mentions Ravens (previously popular GF term). After deliberation, the board voted unanimously to change caller policy to use Larks and Robins at LCFD camps and to move away from Raven

**A change from “Ravens” to “Robins”**

Some Indigenous Tlingit contra dancers and leaders have encouraged contra dance communities not to use the term Raven and have affirmed Robin as an alternative. Staying true to our goal of evolving our role terminology to be more inclusive, LCFD made the decision to change our standard dance role terminology from “Larks and Ravens” to “Larks and Robins” at LCFD dance camps. This change follows other contra dance organizations in respecting the significance of the term Raven for the Tlingit People.

Bylaws changes - these are recommendations the board will be making to the members at a future member meeting (a future camp)

The board voted to approve Section 2 as recommended changes; details to follow as the board works out more of these changes

New website update - structure is done; copy in progress

Code of Conduct - still in progress

RFP Graphic Designer - still in progress