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Contra Board Meeting via Zoom

Nov 15, 2021 at 8 pm

Main Topic: ReEntry Survey

Proposed Survey received 11/8/21 is at https://forms.gle/BLJr3RJgwC1ShWHs5 Original survey sent out in May: https://forms.gle/nPKQpjVTUcYmgSuUA

Present: Deb Barrett, John McCain, Valerie Allendorf, Bret Augsburger, Eileen Bens, Patricia Gorman, Rebecca Pace, Mary Rekers, Charles, Wallner, Steve Edwards, Cori Yaeger, Bonnie Carpenter.

Guest: Robin Roland.

The meeting began at 8:04 pm.

The main topic for the meeting was the proposed reentry survey, fashioned by the reentry committee.

Discussion of the goal of the survey resulted in a re-written goal a bit shorter than the one proposed by Bonnie. Patricia suggested we use: **Assess what quantity of people would be willing to dance accepting proposed protocols** and the board members agreed to this being the goal for the survey. It was pointed out that the former survey and protocols were made by a previous board and may not be relevant at this point. It was agreed by the members that the main goal of the survey is information gathering with keeping in touch with the dancers as a secondary consideration. Also the survey should reflect the reality of the current climate vis a vis the pandemic; not the possibility of what might be in the future.

Specific survey questions were considered.

Decision: Question 1 – changed to include four options 1, right away; 2, when community level is yellow; 3, when community level is green; 4, as soon as the holiday surge dies down and the board can pull it together. (Note: the ReEntry Committee is doing the re-wording and will send the amended copy to board members for approval).

Decision: Addition of "fully" added to question 3. (Are you fully vaccinated?)

Members discussed the issue of "contact tracing." Charles pointed out that the term is usually used for public health issues, and suggested we not use the term, but indicate that we will notify individuals who attended a specific dance if one of the dancers reports to us that they test positive for the virus.

Deb reported that a "waiver" form is going to be used at the dances, and that will include the request that dancers notify the Board if they test positive. A notice could then be posted on the Facebook page, and individuals attending that specific dance could be notified. It was reported that there will be a spreadsheet used at each dance with the dancers' names and contact information. Bonnie will ask Jeneene if she is willing to continue keeping the spreadsheet and adding a column indicating that individuals have received their booster vaccination.

Decision: Addition of a question on the survey "Respecting your confidentiality, would you be willing to notify us if you test positive?"

There was discussion around whether we are using the previous board's community infection rates or cases per 100,000 – or whether the protocols we've proposed obviate the need for community rates, as the protocols will minimize the risk for the dance community. No decision was made. It was pointed out that the positivity rate doesn't include vaccinated folks and those wearing masks, so may not be relevant to considerations to re-start dancing.

Decision: Board members agreed to leave question #3 in as it is written. Questions 4 and 5 remain the same.

Cori agreed to send the survey to the membership once it is completed and approved by the board. Cori asserted (shortly after the meeting) that the last survey was sent to the membership *and* was included as a link on the Facebook page so that nonmembers could complete the survey.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm. Additional topics for discussion will be addressed at a future meeting.

Note: survey copies are not attached to this report, but can be viewed at the links shown in the heading for this report. The original survey will not be changed, but changes will be made to the proposed survey.

Respectfully submitted, Cori Yaeger Board Secretary