

**Club Cruceros de La Paz
Board Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2018 Vista Room**

Dennis Ross – Request for full transparency

To be sure that Dennis is not misquoted in any way, I am attaching copies of his request for Transparency and opening statement at the Board Meeting in his own words:

Attached is a copy of the full transparency request from Dennis.

Attached is a copy from him of his statement at the Board Meeting.

Mary Shroyer – This club is perfect for funding small projects like the library!

Mary started by commenting that this community is very charitable and we make a difference. She is quite familiar with Valle de Guadalupe and spoke about the community. Families live in cramped conditions without electricity, many times several people living in 2 rooms. She stated that small children could not walk 2 – 3 kilometers to go to a library to do their homework, especially since they have already gone the 2 – 3 kilometers to go back and forth to school. She pointed out that the library should be called a study center. She also talked about Martin Gutierrez who will be the person in charge of building the study center there on the grounds close to the church. Mary has known Martin for 20 years; she knows his parents, his wife, and his children. She assured all of us that Martin is a very good man to the core. She stated that we are a club that can do small things like this study center very well and that it makes a difference! The estimated cost for the study center is \$2,100 USD for material and \$1,600 USD for labor. Leanne stated that it was agreed upon with Martin that the community would be doing all the work on the building as they have been doing with the other buildings. This was an important issue with all that worked on the fashion show; the function that raised the money for the study center. Martin's intention all along was for the community to provide all the labor, that the community be invested in the study center for their children. The club's contribution towards the study center is only for building materials.

Call to Order by Commodore Rainy Eastman 4:42 pm

Board Members not present: Bob Van Gorder, Teri Hagen

Introduction of Guests:

Allyson Van Os, Dennis Ross, John Elterich, Pat Shannon, Richard Tripp, Bobi Holbrook, and Mary Shroyer

Minutes: From 1/09/2018 approved with Thom Zyber name correction and defining that membership and Mac numbers are separate committees for the standard operating procedure.

Officers Report:**Treasurer's report – Sandy**

Sandy stated that through January our membership income is 71,200 pesos, compared to last year of \$50,800 pesos. Coffee income is almost even with the coffee expense. In the past 2 months coffee has not doubled but is sizeable. Coffee is holding its own. We are at a net loss of 11,359.80 pesos which is lower than the same period last year at a loss of 33,753 pesos. She had not received the reports on the fashion show or the beach party in time for the reports.

Patsy made a motion that the board should vote to approve the Treasurers report; it was seconded and passed.

Standing Committee Reports:**Bylaw Committee: Patsy & Dennis Ross**

The board had already received the bylaw changes that they had worked on. There were 2 areas that the board needed to address: whether we replaced the past commodore or not and whether the committee chairs or board liaisons is posted one time or quarterly in the clubhouse and on the website. Bill made a motion that we replace the past commodore, Sandy seconded, and it was passed with only Patsy opposing it. Bill made a motion that we only report the committee chairs and liaisons once on the board in the clubhouse and on the website, Leanne seconded it, it passed. Leanne noticed that the annual renewal of dues was listed in the bylaws to be renewed from the join date. It was explained that many times a member will not renew for periods of time for various reasons and that their renewal should go from the time they paid going forth for a year. Patsy made a motion that the word joined be changed to paid, Bill seconded, and it passed.

Patsy made a motion that the Board approves the proposed bylaws; it was seconded and then passed. It is now ready for the general meeting vote.

Charity: - Leanne Fashion Show

Leanne reported for Teri that the ticket number was 134 for the fashion show, total donation for tickets was 28,690 pesos, donations during ticket sales was 1,740 pesos, donations during show was 14,098 pesos, total net donations was 44,528 pesos.

Membership - Susan

Susan made a motion to raise membership dues to 250 pesos, motion failed for no second. Sandy made a motion to raise the membership dues to 300 pesos and 15 USD at PayPal. Susan seconded the motion, motion failed at vote.

Susan reported that there were 37 new members in January, 52 renewals, and 15 members renewing online. We have a total of 648 members, 44 members will lapse before March first. There were 62 renewal notices sent.

She redesigned the membership application to provide separate email addresses and phone numbers. She put them in the trifold Club Cruceros brochure. Patsy can now take the membership application page out of the brochure and use that space for other things.

Susan made a motion to create a charter member membership category in honor of the 30th anniversary of the formation of Club Cruceros. Those having joined by March 1, 1988 would qualify. Patsy reported that that would require a bylaw change. Susan changed her motion to make Bill Robertson on Gato an honorary member, he is the only one that joined before March 1, 1988 and is not an honorary member. The motion passed.

Memorial plaque 2017 2018

Susan reported that she has installed plaques to the board for the following members that have recently passed:

JEFFREY WALKER	JOHN ALDOUS	CINDY MONROE	STEVE COOKER
DAWN RIGGING	CORAL ROSE	SPARTAN	STEVE-A-DORE

It was reported that Shawn Betourne from the catamaran "Swell" has also passed away.

Clubhouse/Coffee hour – Rainy & Bill Holbrook

Bill reported that there is no significant change. He is going to spend time with each coffee host in an attempt to get all onboard with all the tasks they need to perform. He also reported that he increased the amount of coffee in the coffeemaker making a bit stronger cup of coffee, seems to have a positive response.

Coffee Shelf – Varnish

Bill reported that the varnish is halfway completed; he is still waiting for it to be done. Sandy will address the problem with the varnish person.

Website – Patsy

Patsy reported that things are going smoothly; there are lots of new photos and videos.

Standard Operating Procedure – Patsy & Dennis Ross

Patsy reported that they are not meaning to change the current procedures, they are just trying to get what we all are doing currently recorded digitally so that the next board member can look up his or her responsibility and have a roadmap of how and what needs to be accomplished. She is hoping that all of the standard operating procedures will be ready to be reviewed by the next board meeting.

Social Events – Mary Jo

February 4, Super Bowl Party, club event – Mary Jo

Things went well, approximately 60 people were there, game was reported in English and the speakers all worked well.

March 17, St. Pat's Day Dinner: John Elterich

John is in contact with Elvis, he will be there, and the contract is forthcoming.

Marta is working up the prices that will lead to the amount of the ticket donation.

April 11-15, Bay Fest – Rainy

Rainy is still looking for volunteers for workshops and seminars, also for raffle items. Rebecca will do the whale seminar. They are searching for another bread source for the wine tasting, Pan de Les has gotten too expensive, and Bill has another option he is looking into. The price of the wine should be somewhere around 100 – 125 pesos and should be from a source that would have ample supply to buy enough of each bottle for the wine tasting. Sandy is looking for volunteers to help with the tastings that will select the bottles offered at the wine tasting.

Susan brought in a sample on paper of the Bay Fest t-shirts which are a light blue. She brought in a sample of a t-shirt that had advertising on the sleeves. She was looking for a way to bring in a bit more money to cover the cost of the expenses for Bay Fest. Some of the expenses for Bay Fest include: posters, decorations, printing, hot dogs & beer for poker dinghy, and banners. There will not be free t-shirts for volleyball this year. They might raise the price of the beer to 30 pesos.

Morning VHF Net - Rainy

Rainy will ask the net controllers to announce that the net is provided by Club Cruceros and that coffee is provided at the clubhouse at 9:30 to 10:30 by Club Cruceros.

Special Committee / Events Reports:

Nominations for the board positions are open on Feb. 16th. Mary Jo will be the Board Liaison for the nominating committee. Maggie from Casa Kismet and Liz Wilson on Dreamcatcher are on the committee, Rainy is looking for 1 more person. Voting for the board positions will take place in the April general meeting.

Old Business:

Legal Status of the club.

Susan stressed that we cannot sell anything, we can only take donations.

New Business:

Immigration quizzing Teri- Leanne reported for Teri that Immigration did visit her because they had been told that the board members are paid by the club. She informed them that we are all volunteers.

The Dennis Ross request for transparency was discussed. Patsy suggested that instead of taking the time to go through the 23 questions in the request that she compose the response for the Board. Leanne and Sandy will review the Board's answers prior to Patsy posting them on the website.

General Meeting: speaker – none scheduled

Next Board Meeting: March, 20, 18 4:00 pm, Vista Room

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Bill

Seconded: Leanne

Adjourn time: 6:30 pm

Submitted by Leanne Lawrence, Secretary