

Club Cruceros de La Paz
Board Minutes
January 9, 2018 Vista Room

Guests:

Dennis from Two Can Play submitted a proposal to modify the bylaws for several conditions we have run into with the board this season.

- 1 – Define the position of Junior Staff Commodore.
- 2 – Define the succession of all board members.
- 3 – Better define the process for appointing a board member that has not previously been elected by membership

John from Masquerade reported on the St. Patrick's dinner, he is the new chair of that function. He talked with Marta at La Costa and she will provide the staff, the kitchen, utensils, veggies, brisket, and the flan. We will provide the brine liquid, the containers to brine the brisket, and the sauces (such as horseradish). There will be 150 seats available for the function and the board members will serve.

John also reported that our Mexican flags are being made, he will pick some of them up this week, and the order should be completed next week.

Bill reported that he has 15 prizes for the beach party; he should have 20 by the cutoff date. Teri said that they have enough at this point. He also reported that we are at 388 of our maximum 512 MAC numbers. No definitive decision on this, we should keep an eye on the members that do not renew and cancel those MAC numbers.

Mary Jo spoke for the carnival float committee. They are not going to do a float this year; they are concerned about security for themselves during the parade. They request that the 2,000 pesos that they were promised this year be set aside for next year. The proceeds for the bake sale that they had to raise funds this year needs to be turned over to the treasurer to hold for next year.

M-Patsy, put the funds aside for next year, S-Teri / passed.

Call to Order by Commodore Rainy Eastman at 4:16 pm

Board Members not present: Bob Van Gorder, Sandy Elterich

Introduction of Guests:

John from Masquerade, Dennis from Two Can Play, Bill from Wandering Puffin, Rick and Rebecca Well

Minutes: From 12/13/2017 M-Patsy / S-Teri / Passed.

Correspondence: no correspondence.

Officers Report:

Treasurer's report – Sandy

Leanne shared the reports that Sandy left for the board. The coffee income does not seem to be going up as much as the increase we set the beginning of December should dictate. There is a possibility that people are not paying for their coffee, and there are less people at coffee now versus the last two years. After discussion the board decided to ask that if there are 2 people in the coffee room, one of them should always be at the window. This would encourage people to pay for their coffee. Right now we are still in a shortfall which is normal for this time of the year. The next 3 to 4 months are the months that we generate our most income. Our shortfall at this time last year was significantly more. We are doing better this year and the board took some steps in November to help bump up our future income that should take care of our shortfall and help us from getting back into a shortfall this fall when our income is always low.

Commodore – Rainy – nothing to report.

Standing Committee Reports:

Charity: - Teri Fashion Show

Tickets are being sold, models are picked out, advertising was handled by Teri, and things are going well.

Membership - Susan - 598 members, 16 need to renew by the end of January.

Clubhouse/Coffee hour – Rainy & Bill Holbrook

Coffee Shelf – Varnish – Patsy authorized Bill to have the coffee shelf varnished not to exceed \$50 USD.

Vista Meeting Room – Teri, it is being painted now by MDLP, next is to ask for the clubhouse to be painted.

Club Equipment – Teri is slowly getting it cleaned out. Steve Ott removed some items that we did not want and delivered the items to the senior center here in La Paz. We had a donation of speakers that work very well with our existing sound system so there is no need to buy a new system. Teri said that we need a cart to transport our sound system and we do still need cables for the sound system. The 7,000 Pesos that they made on the bake sales for the sound system will be used for the cart, cables, and the lighting around the clubhouse coffee area. Any remaining funds will go to the general fund.

Website – Patsy She has added information from Tom on Cyberg on anchoring in the Sea of Cortez and is continually adding photos to the website.

Standard Operating Procedure Manual – Patsy

We all need to think about writing a procedure manual for each of our positions. Susan wants a procedure for maintaining the MAC numbers with membership as well as the expired memberships and how they are removed from the MAC list.

Social Events –

Christmas Potluck – Approx. 180 people, not enough tables and chairs, we need to look into borrowing the tables that the marina has for their employees along with the chairs that go with those tables next year.

New Year's Eve Appetizer Potluck - Approx. 140 people, went well.

January Event – Beach Party – Teri – she has about 20 items for the raffle, things are going very well. Patsy is getting together Beach Boys music. The proceeds from this event are going to tables and chairs for the coffee area next to the clubhouse. They can be purchased immediately after the function. If there are any excess funds it might go towards lighting around the coffee area.

Januray 6, Dia de Reyes (Kings Day) Coffee Hour – Susan – things went very well, too much cake was purchased, only need 2 for next year. Cost was 1,400 pesos for bread, forks, and plates. Nine babies were found and those nine people will be serving at the Dia de Candelaria on the 2nd of Feb.

February 2, Dia de Candelaria (Tamale Day) – Susan – she is depending upon Leanne who is the contact for the women that make the champurrado and the tamales. Leanne reported that they are willing to make the items and that she would talk to them to find out the price for this year. Susan asked to cut the amount of the champurrado in half for this year but the same 80 tamales as we purchased last year.

February 4, Super Bowl Party, club event – Mary Jo volunteered to chair.

March 17, St. Pat's Day Dinner: John is the new chair.

April 11-15, Bay Fest – Rainy – things going well, most committees are formed; there is a special 30th anniversary Club Cruceros logo just for this function.

Monthly Speaker/Workshop – Susan – Annette & Ed talking about the loss of Sandpiper. The board decided that the general meetings will be held in the Vista room and no longer at La Costa.

Community Liaison – Rainy & Bonnie – nothing to report.

Morning VHF Net - Rainy – Leanne suggested that the morning net mention that Club Cruceros sponsors the net and the morning coffee on a daily basis as Bill on Puffin did last week as the net control. Rainy will talk to the net coordinator and request that to be done.

Special Committee / Events Reports:

Old Business:

Replacement of Richard Tripp board position. There are 4 names for possible board members: Dennis from Two Can Play, Bill on Wandering Puffin, John from Masquerade, and Bob on Cactus. We can submit additions to Patsy until Thursday. Patsy will announce on the morning net that there will be an election for that one board position at the general meeting on Jan. 16, 2018. Rainy purchased a plaque for Marta's mother, 280 pesos, she will be buying a plant & will present it to Marta at the beach party.

New Business:

Meet & Greet: Teri does this every Tuesday, Rainy tries to do this on Thursday when she can.

Rainy appointed Susan to oversee a nominating committee for the board for the April elections. Rainy will appoint a chairperson as soon as possible.

Patsy will work with Dennis Ross on the proposal for the bylaw changes and present it at the next board meeting.

General Meeting:

Speaker – Captain of Annie's Song.

Next Board Meeting: February 13, 2018 4:00 pm, Vista Room

Adjournment: 5:50 pm M-Teri/ S-Patsy/ passed

Minutes submitted Jan. 10, 2018 - Leanne Lawrence