

# CLUB CRUCEROS de LA PAZ

## Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 11-12-15 Time: 4:00 pm Location: Vista Room

The meeting was called to order by Commodore: Gary Batha at 4:00pm.

The following board members were present; Gary Batha, commodore; Richard Tripp, vice-commodore; Shirleen Kisrow, rear commodore; Sandy Elterich, treasurer; Lynda Foster, Secretary; Shelly Ward, junior staff commodore; Teri Hagen, director; and Brian Jablonski, director.

The following board members were not present: Steve Ott, director.

The following general members were present: Patsy Verhoeven; Bob Walker; Al Marchand; Bill Holbrook; Robert Stephens; Bob Van Gorder; and Bret (s/v Carina).

An open discussion was held by non-board members on the following subjects:

- Water filters for rural areas in BCS;
- The need for a health and welfare committee to assist members when no family members are available to provide assistance when the member's health declines; and
- Net controllers need to control the net to keep people from advertising on the morning net.

The open discussion period was closed at 4:30 pm and the board meeting was continued.

There were no additions to the agenda.

A **motion** was **made, seconded and passed** to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2015 board meeting.

### **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

#### **Treasurer's Report–**

- Sandy report the club is doing well. Some money was spent on repairs and maintenance for the club house. The financial report is attached.
- Sandy advised that the bank has closed the club's account because the named account holder has no electric bill. The account was set up to exchange coins for paper money. It was agreed to keep the current status at the bank as long as the bank continues to exchange the coins for paper for the club.

#### **Commodore's Report –**

- Gary reported that the lights have been installed at the club house. The lights will possibly be put on a timer after discussing electrical concerns with Neil.
- Thanksgiving dinner is moving along well; volunteers are signing up.
- The charity beach party will be chaired by Richard Tripp.

#### **Clubhouse Report –**

- Richard reported that the on-going problem of termites is the only issue with the club house at this time. The current exterminator (Abel) is willing to drill holes in the cement to attack the termites but he will only be using the organic pesticide as he has in the past. The exterminator Richard brought to the club house for an inspection is willing to drill the holes; use a real pesticide to kill the termites for around 8000 pesos and will guarantee the work for an extended period of time (either 2 or 5 years – this info will be verified. A **motion was made and seconded** to hire the exterminator who will use a real pesticide to kill the termites and to let Abel go. Sandy will advise Abel of our decision. After a short discussion the **motion was passed.**

### Charities –

- Giving Back to La Paz – Teri has attempted on several occasions to contact the person from Harker Boards to get more information on the event we were going to participate in and provide clothing and food items from the summer's collection. He has never responded. She will give him an ultimatum to either pick up the items we have collected or they will all go to Subasta.
- Martin's church – Sandy advised that Martin would like help from the cruisers to provide Christmas gifts for the 18 children in his church. A **motion was made, seconded** to help the 18 children in Martin's church at Christmas. Sandy will obtain the names, ages, and needs of the 18 children; will purchase gift bags for all 18 children; and cruisers will be solicited to select a name of a child to buy gifts for. That **motion was amended and passed** that if any gift bags are not taken by a cruiser the club will purchase gifts for any bags not taken by a cruiser. Another **motion was made, seconded, and passed** that the club will put together Christmas food baskets for the 3 families the club assisted earlier this year with getting their children into school; and the total amount for the 3 baskets will not exceed 1500 pesos.
- Abel's group assisting street people – Sandy advised they are not looking for financial assistance but for donations of bedding and food. Before the club proceeds with working to get donations of what they want Gary and Sandy will go and check out their facility.
- Toiletries for senior citizens' center – Yes, this will be continued and it will be announced on the morning net.
- Subasta and the quilters group– Shirleen asked for permission to sell raffle tickets for Subasta and the quilters group during coffee hour. A **motion was made, seconded, and passed** that Shirleen be allowed to sell raffle tickets for Subasta and the quilter's group during coffee hour.

### Coffee Hour –

- Richard advised there is another coffee pot that is not working and needs someone to repair and any future coffee pots that die. The following persons were suggested: John on Coral Rose repaired them last year; Roger Wise could possibly do it; and the name of a local business that repairs kitchen appliances was suggested. Richard will look into the possibilities.
- Shirleen advised she and a couple other members are having a bake sale table at Subasta and asked if the club would provide a coffee pot, tea pot, tea, and coffee for this event. A **motion was made, seconded and passed** to provide the coffee pot, tea pot, tea and coffee for the bake sale table at Subasta

### Community Liaison -

- Brian Jablonski advised he, Gary Batha and Jimmy Loberg met with the Port Captain on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> regarding the new regulations for the Mogote and the new channel for Fonatur. The Port Captain wants the new channel to be clear and no anchoring in that area. In addition, there is to be no anchoring in front of the military base. The cruisers need to be reminded that anchoring is not allowed in front of the marina entrances. Jimmy will give an update of the meeting with the Port Captain at the next general meeting. The mogote is eroding away very quickly. The club's website will be changed to advise cruisers to use the latitude and longitude to identify the mogote instead of relying on the cross. Patsy will also update the club's website on where anchoring is allowed and not allowed. Gary and Jimmy will go out and check out the new channel.

### Membership - No report

#### VHF Morning Net –

- There was more discussion about advertisements on the morning net and the difference between businesses advertising versus the announcements of a special events. A **motion was made and seconded** to allow announcements of any special event and to announce the entry fee but the prices of food and/or beverages cannot be announced. After some additional discussion, the **motion passed**.

### Vista Room- Teri Hagen

- The director of Pelican Theater group wants to use the Vista room whenever he wants and then doesn't always show. He currently has the Vista room booked through November. At the end of November Teri will advise him what days he can and cannot have the Vista Room
- The AC in the Vista room is leaking. Teri will check with Neil on getting it fixed.

### Website -Patsy Verhoeven

- The website needs to be kept fresh on a regular basis; links need to be kept current and fresh. Her goal is to put a new page on the website every month. Recently she has added several new pages: the movie data base; identifying whales; immigration; Spanish for boaters; and hurricane preparation.

