MINUTES FROM GENERAL MEETING. CLUB CRUCEROS de LA PAZ OCTOBER 17, 2017

Call to order by Commodore Rainy Eastman at 4:04 with 21 members in attendance.

Board members introduced: Rainy, Commodore, Teri, Richard, Sandy, Mary Jo, Susan,

Board members not in attendance: Bob, Patsy and Jean were absent. Susan Ross is substituting for Secretary Jean Wise.

Minutes from the last general meeting in May were not approved since the minutes had not been posted nor printed out.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Sandy Elterich reported as of September 30, 2017 the cash on hand totals:

General Fund: \$80,099.80 pesos; US Bank account: \$505.40 pesos;

Cash on hand Charity: \$4,707.00 pesos;

Cash on hand for Mama Bonita charity \$8,096.00 pesos;

Cash on Hand Emergency: \$74,299.00 pesos; Morning coffee donation: \$15,761.50 pesos; and

Membership donation: \$14,600 pesos

COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Marine Day Events from May 24-27 on the Malecon involved local children in a fishing tournament; the club had voted at the May meeting to purchase prizes, fishing poles and a tackle box. Rainy encourages the club to continue participating in Navy events. An End of season potluck was held with much success.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership, **Susan Ross**: Membership numbers: 555 current members, we will be sending notices of renewal emails to 87 members whose membership expires between today's date and December 1.

The Club is participating in "Welcome to La Paz Baja Haha" party on November 30, 2017, we will also distribute membership information, the Services Guide, anchoring information at the Cabo Awards ceremony on Nov. 11 for Baja Haha, where Jeannie and Tom Brown will welcome cruisers. Commodore Rainy will be one of the guest speakers for the "Welcome to La Paz" Baja Haha party on Nov. 30th.

<u>Special guest speakers and Tech Seminars</u>: For 2017, the planned presentations begin **October 31, 1PM** poolside at Marina Palmira. Clara will present a Day of the Dead talk on Mexican customs and altar symbolism:

Tech seminar: **November 2, 1PM** Vista Room weather seminar from Tom Zyber on Defiante; **November 9: 7 pm** in the Vista Room, A travelogue-style presentation from Nello and Sheridan of Marathon, entitled: Sailing the islands of Indonesia;

November 18 from 9-10AM Vista Room Flu and Pneumonia immunization clinic with Dr Tuchmann;

Next General Meeting on **November 21 4 pm** Mike and Sherry (Ambar III) will present the conservation efforts of Sea Watch in the Sea of Cortez;

November 27 at 1PM Vista Room Roger Wise will present a Tech Seminar on refrigeration; and **December 6 9AM** Dennis Ross will conduct the HAM Exam Poolside at Marina Palmira.

<u>Upcoming Social</u>: Mary Jo: Welcome Back Potluck will be on November 10 at 5 pm at the clubhouse.

Community Liaison: Rainy: No report.

<u>Clubhouse</u>: Bill Holbrook: The fumigation was done and we are under contract for regular fumigation. New wood trim was replaced, due to termite destruction, in the library and back room; and

Volunteers are needed for coffee hour hosts.

<u>Vista Room</u>: Teri Hagan: The Vista room is scheduled with at least one event each day of the week. Contact Teri if you need to arrange a room reservation.

<u>Charity</u>: Teri: Mama Bonita's projects, the recipient from last year's Fashion Show, are almost completed.

- 1. A new charity, in Villa de Guadalupe, will be the recipient of the February 3rd Charity Fashion Show. We are looking at the cost for building a small room to allow a library, or study area, on the church property in Ville de Guadalupe;
- 2. A charity for children that Cindy, from La Paz Yachts, leads every Saturday has asked for a small amount of money to purchase supplies. The board voted that the club will donate \$1000 pesos to Cindy's arts and crafts class to purchase supplies;
- 3. Trash bins will be purchase to begin a recycling program. Teri will chair this committee with the cash received from returns going to the charity fund.
- 4. Save your plastic bags! The club has been asked to begin recycling plastic bags that people interested in weaving the bags into mats to be used for sleeping mats, etc. in the Ville de Guadalupe colonia.

<u>Morning Net</u>: Rainy reported for Debbie, who was not present. Debbie is rewriting the net controller's script and introducing new members as Net Control hosts.

<u>Website</u>: Susan reported for Patsy, who was not present. Patsy is making excellent progress on new website additions. Members are requested to send any historical information, old photos, or news articles.

Patsy also arranged for new membership brochures to be printed as well as a flyer on VHF Radio procedures and anchoring suggestions for La Paz Bay. The information will be posted on the club bulletin board and on the website.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: Bobi Holbrook asked if the club was going to have a float in the Carnaval parades in 2018. There was a short discussion about the possibility. Last April at the general meeting there was also a discussion about yearly participation and the result was that a motion

was made and seconded to not participate in 2018 but rather wait for two years between Carnavals. Therefore, if there is interest and someone volunteers to act as Chair, the next parade participation from Club Cruceros would be in 2019.

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> Scott Hagan will research the cost to put up a weather station near the coffee window of the club house.

A designated smoking area will be set up on the patio for morning coffee.

Teri Hagan made a motion to purchase new trash containers for the clubhouse: 1 for plastic bags for recycling; 1 for recycling of aluminum cans; and 2 for general trash. The motion was seconded by Bill Holbrook, and the motion approved. Teri will chair the recycling committee.

<u>FUTURE MEETINGS</u>: Next Board meeting on November14th in the Vista Room; General Meeting on November 21, 2017 the location to be decided

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m. by Rainy Eastman, Commodore.

Respectfully Submitted: Susan Ross for Jean Wise.