

Club Cruceros de La Paz

Board of Directors Meeting
Vista Room and Zoom
May 13, 2025, 4:00pm

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: 4:00pm by Commodore Heidi Benson Stagg

2024-25 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Heidi Benson Stagg, Commodore; Mary Jo Hood, Vice Commodore; Tom Murray, Rear Commodore; Jan St Pierre, Secretary and Interim Treasurer; Dr. Juan Alvarez, Director-at-Large; Steve Brenner, Past Commodore

2024-25 BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jeff Brandt, Director-at-Large; Bob Walker, Director-at-Large

MINUTES: April 8, 2025 – Motion to approve: Mary Jo 2nd: Tom All Ayes

FINANCIAL REPORT: Due to printing issues, Jan will email the Report to the Board for approval.

FINANCIAL REVIEW: Report by the Financial Review Committee – Tabled until review is complete.

OLD BUSINESS

- Jan announced that a new wheelchair was purchased for \$2,657 from \$3,000 authorized by the Board. The Club now has two wheelchairs for member use. The medical emergency equipment and supplies are now stored in the clubhouse kitchen for easier access.

4:16pm BOARD OF DIRECTORS TRANSITION FROM 2024-25 BOARD TO 2025-26 BOARD

2025-26 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Jo Hood, Commodore; Patsy Verhoeven, Vice Commodore; Tom Murray, Rear Commodore; Zaidah Green, Secretary; Bob Walker, Director-at-Large; Pat Waddell, Director-at-Large; Heidi Benson Stagg, Past Commodore

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mary Jo announced that because there were no volunteers for the Board Treasurer position, she chose Vice Commodore Patsy Vanhoeven to also serve as Interim Treasurer.
Motion to approve: Tom 2nd: Zaidah All Ayes
- Continuing Resolutions to pay 2025-26 standard expenditures for Weekly Cleaning, Mexican Courtesy Flags, Coffee Supplies, and Webmaster. Motion: Pat 2nd: Tom All Ayes
- Charity Committee funding clarifications: Adam Moss, FIF, expressed concern about Charity Committee members receiving Charity funds for their organizations. This year, two committee members, one who is a Club board member, served on the committee and applied for and received funds for their organizations. Additionally, Adam stated he was approached by a Board member who accused him of being fraudulent and demanded to see his organization's documentation. Of the 12 fund recipients, his was the only organization required to present legal documentation. Much discussion and interpretations ensued leading to a motion. Discussion continued following the motion and it was determined that the bylaws addressed these issues; however, many felt that the way it was written needed to be reviewed and updated, which will take place before the next meeting.
Motion: No Club Board and Charity Committee members shall apply for nor receive Charity funding for their organizations. 2nd Heidi 2 Ayes 3 Nos Motion did not carry.

- Hire Assistant to Help with Treasurer Duties: Patsy Verhoeven gave an overview of the need for additional help with the Treasurer's duties. Last month, the Board authorized Patsy to explore the feasibility of hiring a bookkeeper or assistant to help with the Treasurer's duties.

Motion: I propose that the Club hire a bookkeeper, who will work under the supervision of the club Treasurer, to assist with the treasurer's duties. The bookkeeper will be responsible for managing collections and payments, maintaining separate accounts for the General Fund, Disaster Fund, Charity Fund, and Merchandise Fund, and providing monthly financial reports to the treasurer. The position will be compensated at \$4,000 pesos per month, starting May 14, 2025.

Motion: Patsy 2nd Zaidah All Ayes

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, November 11, 2025, 4:00pm, Vista Room

ADJOURNMENT: 5:40PM Motion: Zaidah 2nd: Tom All Ayes