

Las Candalistas Officers Meeting Minutes
February 01, 2023
Zoom Meeting

Officers present: Debbie Sampson, Laura Henson-Broussard, Judy Armstrong, Kathy Black, Lynda Black, Debbie Bramhall, Cathy Howard, Lorri Mino, Lisa Nesicolaci, Karen Stockbridge, Susan Yamate and Randi Young

Board of Director members present: Laura Webb, Janie Hasselman and Sharon Logan

Meeting called to order at 3:37 p.m.

Presidents Welcome - Debbie Sampson and Laura Henson-Broussard :

Laura thanked everyone for being flexible and joining the Zoom meeting. Our allotted time is only 40 minutes and when that ends, just click the same link and you will be back on. We have a lot to discuss so let's get started.

Board Update - Laura Webb:

Working on putting the Nominating Committee together. Hollidae has already accepted as one of the Members at Large and hopefully, Susan Yamate will also join. Susan brought up some questions that she wanted answered before she made her decision like how often they will meet and time of day. Laura asked her what times are good for her and that they will probably meet once a week. Still haven't heard from all of the current officers on what they would like to do next year. Need to hear from Lynda Black and the Presidents. Philanthropy positions need to be filled. Working on having the first Nominating Committee meeting the first week after our General Meeting on 2/08. Let's be flexible.

As of this date, two people have turned in their requests to be on the BOD, Amy Mosher and Carla Smith.

The Board is planning to meet after the General Meeting on 2/08.

Recording Secretary - Lorri Mino:

The January Officer meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer - Judy Armstrong:

Balances for January 2023:

- Event - \$65,417.50
- Membership - \$8,090.80
- Property - \$610.40
- Total - \$74,118.70

Property account needs to be increased by the end of the year.

Parliamentarian - Lisa Nesicolaci: Meetings will be held at the PV Library from now until May. Lisa asked the Philanthropy VP's if the charities needed anything for the February meeting and

they said they requested a screen and laptop. Please let her know ahead of time for these requests as she has to reserve them and request a check from Judy.

1st Vice Presidents - Philanthropy - Kathy Black and Cathy Howard:

Cancer Support and Family Promise will be our speakers at our February General Meeting. Requests for in kind donations were noted in the February newsletter. Debbie requested that they let the speakers know they only have 10 minutes to talk and to be at the meeting by 9:15 a.m.

A tour of Momentum was scheduled for Friday, 2/03, but Tina, who presented at our last meeting has been extremely non responsive about confirming Friday's tour. Was able to contact Robin. All should be good with the tour. Still waiting on details. Six people have signed up for the tour.

2nd Vice Presidents - Ways and Means - Lynda Black and Debbie Bramhall:

Debbie Bramhall informed us that they went over their position responsibilities in the roster and made changes to turn into Debbie and Laura. Debbie S. reminded us that we are all to look over our positions and send any changes to them by Friday.

3rd Vice Presidents - Membership - Susan Yamate and Randi Young:

Provisional Update - 7 inquiries from our website and a couple more from friends. A few will be coming to our March meeting to check us out.

Corresponding Secretary - Karen Stockbridge:

Sent out the February Newsletter.

SPRING EVENT UPDATE - Debbie, Laura, Karen, Lynda, Randi:

Debbie informed us that they are swimming along. Had a meeting with the rental company and the auctioneer company tomorrow. There will be more of an update at next week's General Meeting. They will be having a food tasting next Tuesday.

Nanci Browning did some research on looking into software to purchase that would make check out easier as we would have all their credit card information and bid paddle number together. Laura and Debbie met with two companies and they liked the Greater Giving Software. It is able to do silent auction sheets, drink tickets (if we have them), etc. and tracks our Sponsors. Will also send out thank you letters. This will streamline our checking out process. Janie H. asked how much it is. The cost is \$795 a year and valid for 5 years at that same price and we're able to cancel at any time.

Randi Young made a motion to take \$795 from the Membership account for the purchase of Greater Giving software every year for 5 years at the same price. Karen Stockbridge seconded it. All in favor, none opposed. Laura Webb to take this motion to the BOD as this is not a budget item.

A point of clarification added after the meeting. "This contract does not tie in Las Candalistas for 5 years. It just locks in the price of \$795 per year".

They would like to discourage taking checks in lieu of credit cards.

Karen announced the Chairs:

Centerpieces - Stella Bullock and Debbie Bramhall

Jellyfish - Karyn Farris and Joanie Sedillo

Jellyfish Jam as party gift - Ann Goodhart and Janie Hasselman

Bar and Bartenders - Cheryl Deppe

Decorate Bar Areas - Janie Woodburn

Silent Auction - Karen Stockbridge and Lorri Mino

Check in - Kathy Black and Cathy Howard

Check Out - Laura Henson and Nanci Browning

Raffle (if we have one) - Carla Smith, Judy Armstrong and possibly Laura Webb

Sponsorship - Lynda Black and Danielle Weinstock

There will be a chairman meeting coming up. Will send out emails for those that would like to work but not as a chair.

Had a meeting with Janice Hahn's office. Submitted a grant for \$5,000 and it is now going through the motions.

NEW BUSINESS - Laura Henson-Broussard and Debbie Sampson:

Most of their time has been spent working on the Spring Event so not much to report. Still want to get together with Laura Webb and start looking at the standing rules and get feedback by the end of the week.

Discussion on Member Status:

As a result of some Active members not fulfilling their responsibilities and the need to attract working women and younger women, Laura and Debbie asked Randi and Susan to check into other organizations to see how they recruit, what their membership rules entail, dues, etc.

They obtained their information from Google and Facebook pages of the organization. A lot of the organizations are basically on the same page as us.

PV Juniors -

- Meet in the evening
- New members arrive ½ hour prior to each meeting
- Rolling affiliate program and take members all year long

Vistas -

- Closet to LC member requirements

- Evening meetings but may be changing it up a little ½ and ½
- Recently received 20-25 new members (heard some had dropped out)
- New Member Drive - Open House held on multiple dates. The President(s) and Board are there to answer questions.
- Mostly younger working women.
- New members have to buy tickets to each fundraising event, provide a \$100 silent auction prize and sign up for 2 jobs.
- Meeting w/Membership Chair on Friday.

Las Madrecitas -

- They have a new members recruiting meeting

Assistance League out of OC (Debbie Bramhall's mom is a member):

- Meet during the day
- Alpha Auxiliary - all working people
- They have daytime and nighttime groups
- Orientation meeting is held before each general meeting

Sandpipers - Meeting after 2/16 when Anna Pinto returns to L.A.

Will table this as we still need to come up with how these other organizations enforce the rules and how we can increase membership. Will revisit all this with the BOD and get into small working groups to come up with suggestions. In the meantime, speak to our members to see what they think.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Lorri Mino, Recording Secretary