

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 25, 2026 HBC BOG MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order by President Andre St. Omer Roy at 10 AM on Saturday, April 25, 2026.

ROLL CALL- Also in attendance were Board members Tom Anderson, Jinan Bahia, Bernadette Black, Dave Charleston, Bill Even, Jeanne Foley, Georgi Hess, Cecile Hund, Jack Hund, Linda Ivanoff, Jeremy Lynch, Mike Mendelson, Barb Roth, Tammy Stine, Chris St. Omer Roy, and Bridget Whitley. Monica Knopf arrived after the meeting had started. Not attending were Rebecca Bergey, Jim Boyer, Len Crumb, Darius Kapadia, and Ray Rizzo. There was a quorum of voting members present.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 24, 2026 BOG MEETING MINUTES – Dave made a motion to approve these minutes which were previously distributed by email. Barb seconded and the motion carried with no opposition or abstentions.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Andre had no report.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Chris began by reporting a YTD profit of \$3587.27. The Statement of Financial Activity through the end of March shows a checking account balance of \$11,614.81, a Money Market balance of \$104,836.53, a Treasury Bond balance of \$21,716, and a CD balance of \$11,466.77.

Dave made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report which was seconded by Jinan. The motion carried with no opposition or abstentions.

MANAGERS’ REPORTS

HOUSE MANAGER’S REPORT – Mike then reviewed the work done at the Club since the last meeting.

The landscaper was rehired for spring clean-up. Midge will manage this and plant the pots at the front entry. The landscape lights are being repaired. Len will treat the front entry bench for carpenter bees. The mowing will be done by the same company we have been using. Painting of the outside doors and shutters will be done in June or July. Inside the Club, the HVAC filters were changed, florescent lights replaced as needed, a new projector installed in the Education room, the old printer replaced, and a new director’s chair purchased. The playing tables in the main room had cup holders added to fill the large holes in the current drink holders which were then varnished. Thanks to Ed Sandnes for this. Ant traps were put out and the bidding boxes in the Education room were washed. The cleaners were asked to give special attention to the main room after games with meals, the Brunch game in particular.

There was a short discussion about replacing chairs/cushions but no decision was made.

Jack asked that Board members remind other to clean up after themselves whenever they notice any problems, especially as games are finishing up.

CLUB MANAGER'S REPORT – In Jim's absence, Andre noted that the Club table count is up 80 since 2025 and up 210 since 2024.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP – Bill stated that the current number of paid memberships for 2026 was 386. He named David Cozzi, Pat Gage, Chris Halicki, Fran Kasher, Joe Hasher, Herbert Moore, Maryanne Moore, Mark Orndorff, Susan Orndorff, Ken Plummer, Catherine Purnell, John Regan and Dian Wise as applicants for membership, and Frank Kempf as an applicant for reinstatement. He noted that nine of these new members were from the new Chambersburg game. Linda made a motion to accept all these applicants, which was seconded by Dave. The motion carried with no opposition or abstentions.

Lastly, he noted that he had ordered 380 membership directories and admitted that he might need help picking them up. Linda asked if directories could be printed every year instead of every two years, as new members were being added all the time. Bill replied that an addendum could be printed periodically to help with that problem.

EDUCATION – Mike then summarized the April 7th meeting of the Education Committee. He remarked that all classes and mini-lessons were doing well, with a good mix of topics for beginning and intermediate players. A new BB1 class will start on Wednesday evening September 10th taught by Jack Rudy and on Monday morning September 14th taught by Dennis Shaub. Dennis will also be offering a 2/1 course in May.

The 0-50 monthly Brunch and Bridge game is well attended with 5-6 tables on average. Assisted Play games and Monday evening 0-50 games are also doing well. Because many of the 0-50 players are starting to play in the 0-500 games, he has eliminated the 0-50 game on Wednesday afternoon and changed the Assisted Play games to the 2nd and 4th Wednesday afternoons (12:30 -2:30). A new Assisted Play evening game/study session will be held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday evenings (6:30-8:30). The new game in Chambersburg is doing well. Jack Rudy has offered his BB1 PowerPoint if anyone wants to offer the class there.

The Mentoring program has entered its second quarter with about 20 pairs playing. A Swiss Mixer will be held on May 21st with advanced sign-up required.

He then mentioned the continuing problem of slow play in games. After much discussion, it was decided that the game directors need to take charge of this and move people along as needed. He also said that although etiquette and rules are certainly a big part of the game, the emphasis should be on enjoying the experience, particularly for the newer players.

CONDUCT, DECORUM AND ETHICS –Jeanne said that there was one open complaint which was being addressed.

HOSPITALITY– Cecile stated that several of the 0-50 players continue to be a tremendous help with the monthly Saturday Brunch game.

SUNSHINE – Bobbie Goodyear continues to do an outstanding job of sending out sympathy and get-well cards. Please let Cecile or Bobbie know of anyone who needs to be contacted.

OLD BUSINESS – Cecile passed on Jan Leuenberger’s updates on the new Chambersburg game. Jan said that Bob Priest had her make the first game on April 7th free for all players and the second game on April 21st free to all HBC members, in order to encourage attendance. Nine Chambersburg players have joined HBC this month. She is training a second director and is filling the GP role, but so far had not needed to play. She said that the players are enthusiastic about having a local game and being a part of HBC. Kudos to Jan for all her hard work in establishing and running this game

NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business to discuss.

NEXT MEETING – After some discussion on dates, Andre called the next meeting for Saturday, August 22nd at 10 AM.

ADJOURNMENT – Dave made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Jeremy. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11 AM.

ADDENDUM- Subsequent to this meeting, the Executive Committee considered the appropriate method of support for the 2026 Longest Day/Alzheimer’s Association charity initiative supported by ACBL. This should have been covered at the April BOG meeting, but was overlooked.

The Executive Committee agreed unanimously that HBC would, again this year, donate all Club games revenue from the week of June 21st to the Alzheimer’s Association.