Meeting Minutes

LCDBC Committee Meeting

Sep 24, 2026

11:30pm start Lobby at Sol y Luna

Attendees

Present: Jan Hendrix, Dave Swanson, Steve Tuggle, Joan Montgomery
Absent: Cindy Thomson, Andrew Small, Ellen Kuiper (we spent some time trying to conference Ellen in, but not successfully)

Non-voting absence: Jimmy Reynolds, Nicci Beninger

Agenda

1. Approve Aug 13 Minutes – passed unanimously
2. Approve Agenda – passed unanimously
3. President's Report:
    - Still no schedule for Sol y Luna to repair the floor by the far door and that end of the room. **Jan** to keep following up.
    - Jimmy is still very ill and may be out more than 12 months
    - Mike is back as Director. The club sent flowers to remember his wife.
    - Directors: Jan is planning on taking the club director test again this month. We expect Susan Guenette, and Michael Farebrother to return in October. Kay Brock in November. Mike is willing to work the games until then.
4. Treasurers Report:
    - Steve put together table count actuals from 2024 to present year. This summer counts are down about 30% compared to previous years.
    - Our fixed costs (rent at 21K with tax and other misc costs) comes to 24K monthly on average so we are running a big deficit this summer. For Sep we have 15K and need 21K for Oct 1st rent. The previous 2 months have also required cash infusion from the bank account to meet expenses.
    - Discussion about raising prices ensued and we resolved to raise prices for next year as follows:
        - $500mx for annual club membership dues/subscription (passed unanimously)

- 7 game punch card to be $800mx and single games (for non-subscribers) to be $130mx (passed 3 yea, 1 nay)
- **Joan** volunteered to inform everyone of the pricing changes
- This should be updated on our webpage too – **Mike** as webmaster

5. Secretary's Report:
   - Cindy has a concussion and is improving but resting
   - She gave some cushions to a bazaar to see if they sell. Update next meeting.
6. Club Manager's Report:
   - Being unable to conference Ellen in, we addressed 2 items:
     - Sol y Luna asked us to give up the room Nov 12 and 13 for a charity event. The event is Thursday with live music and they will use Friday to clean up.
     - We agreed to give them the dates and hold a game in the lobby Friday afternoon instead. Passed unanimously
       1. **Ellen** to authorize the game with ACBL and assign a director
7. Member at Large Report, Joan Montgomery:
   - Xmas Party – Dec 19 at Rivera Alta clubhouse, 4 to 6:30 pm. Chef Andrew to cater finger food, cash bar, 2 servers. Fee $500mx/pp (our costs are $480mx/pp.) Approved unanimously.
   - **Steve and Joan** will figure out music options.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Pianola Feedback:
   a. We like it. Keep going with the 3-month trial.
2. Beginner Bridge classes
   a. Dave reports the Steve Segall will do beginner classes to start with 499 Games, Oct 16. They will run for 45 min prior to the game. Steve has a 12 week program. Cost to us, free (thanks Steve). Cost to student, $130mx, then entry to the game is free.
3. 499 Game start up Oct 16.
   a. **Ellen** please add to calendar
   b. How to publicize the game and classes
      i. **Nancy** Segall has a big FB following so she'll post it there; **Jan** will post to LCDBC FB page, **Dave** will do outreach at LCS.
      ii. Dave presented some options for print ads. We agreed on two: Guadalajara Reporter & Lakeside News. **Joan & Nancy** will work on art & copy.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Management of Club Financials
    - To improve revenue tracking, **Directors** will note cash or punch card entries on the sign in sheet they currently produce. Agreed unanimously
    - Director free plays – when a director directs, they get a free play for that day. If they are not playing that day, they can give it to someone else. Free plays will not accumulate. Agreed unanimously
    - There is a liability to the club of $50Kmx, due to AC falling behind with the accountant.
2. AC Committee and how they integrate with Management Committee
    - This is still very unclear. The liability is $100Kmx which the AC offered to split with us. But doesn't it come from the same bank account?
    - Donnie signed our lease, but Jimmy approved it and Donnie is not fully aware of the contents. The dates of Sol y Luna use appear to be from 2024. **Jan** will work on getting clarity here with Sol y Luna.
3. Note planned vacations:
    - Jan asked that all committee members put their planned vacations on the record (meeting minutes, one month at a time).
4. Discuss pros & cons of searching for a new building.
    - Everyone thought it was worth looking around. Notice of non-renewal must be submitted to Sol y Luna by Mar 1, 2027. Lease expires June 1, 2027.
    - **Joan, Jan & Steve** volunteered to for the search committee.

Meeting end 1:10 pm

Bold items are follow up items

Next Meeting

Date: Oct 22, 2026
Time: 12:00pm
Location: Sol y Luna lobby
Planned absences for Oct meeting: