The Board of Directors of Unit 254 of San Miguel met in person and via WhatsApp on Wednesday, October 14, 2026. Those present were Louise Roman, Sandy Martin, David McDougall, Lynn Chambers and Jan Brosnahan. Natalia Zapata was absent. President Louie Roman began the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Financials - Natalia was absent from the meeting so no financials were presented. They will be reviewed at the next board meeting.

Bordello Thursday game - Tim Fisher has obtained his Director status and has offered to perform Director duties at a new game offering on Thursdays at the Bordello. The first Thursday game was held last week and was well received by members. We wish to thank Tim Fisher for taking the initiative for getting his Director status and Barb Poole for offering the space at an attractive price for the games. We are exploring having the Thursday game be sort of a "hybrid" model - held at the Bordello, at 10:30 a.m., each week, but being considered to be part of The Bridge Studio operations, with perhaps part of the proceeds going to charity. More exploration and discussion to occur over the coming months.

STaC Games - Sectional Tournament at Club games, which award some silver points, are being held on October 19, 21 and 24th this month at The Bridge Studio.

Monthly Social Gathering - is to be held on the last Wednesday of the month, October 28th, at 5:00 p.m., as usual, at LaFrontera, with Norma Scott continuing to assist our Hospitality Chair, Lynn Chambers, with the coordination and reservations. Those interested in attending should let Norma know whether they plan to have the Salmon or Filet special (with the homemade cookie!) or plan to order off the menu. Attendance continues to be very good, with over two dozen attending typically each month.

Day of the Dead Festivities - Lynn Chambers, our Hospitality Chair, is busy working on plans for our DoD potluck, which will be held at 5:00, after the bridge game on Monday, November 2nd. Those planning to attend are asked to being a dish to pass, or a bottle of wine or Prosecco, or two bottle of soda. Lynn will be sending out an announcement and invitation to the event.

Lessons - Layne Benben will begin offering Bridge Lessons at The Bridge Studio on Mondays at 11:00, beginning Monday, October 26th. Her lessons were well received and well attended last year. Alan Greene will also be providing some shorter bridge lessons on Wednesdays just prior to the start of the games, similar to last winter, beginning in January (and possibly in December). We greatly appreciate the extra effort and generosity of the time that both Layne and Alan have given to our members through sharing their bridge knowledge.

Sectional Bridge Tournament - The board reviewed a flyer that Glen Okui had prepared for the upcoming tournament. It is quite attractive. (Subsequent to the board meeting, we learned that the Writer's Conference is being held in San Miguel at the same time as our originally planned sectional bridge tournament, so the Board has decided to have Glen Okui explore with the ACBL whether we can move our sectional bridge tournament out one week later).

Next Board Meeting - the next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18th, at 11:30 a.m. at The Bridge Studio.