

## Big Horn Basque Club Board Meeting Minutes

### January 25, 2020 Cowboy Carousel

Trinity called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm. Roll call showed Randy Camino, Richard Frankovic, Sara Portwine, Dolly Belus, Mick Camino (delegate), Katie Fennema, and Katie Miller present.

Katie Fennema read the January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 board meeting minutes which Katie Miller moved to approve. Sara 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the motion carried. Katie Fennema then read the December 18, 2019 meeting minutes. Trinity pointed out a correction: the officers' emails are already listed on BHBC website, but the head dance instructor and delegate need to be added. Richard moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Randy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the motion carried.

Only one item of old business was mentioned. Richard noted he has received a lot of positive feedback regarding the monthly activities and believes the club's money is well spent hosting them. Postcards mailed out give members a solid invitation to these activities. Randy moved to continue hosting monthly activities on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month. Sara 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion passed.

New business was then discussed. New board members will be Katie Miller and Katie Fennema.

Katie Fennema said she would like to resign from her board position. Richard moved to accept her resignation. Randy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the motion carried. Richard then moved to ask the nominee with the next most votes be installed in the open board position. Katie Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, which carried. Marta Curuchet, as the person with the next highest number of votes, accepted the position on the BHBC board.

Richard moved to send out a letter to the membership acknowledging gratitude for the families of Madeline Harriet, Phil Kuhn and Mary Lawrence having donations sent to the BHBC in memory of their deceased loved ones. Randy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

Next new officer elections were held.

- Richard moved to have Trinity Rodriguez remain President. Sara 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
- Richard moved to have Sara Portwine be the Vice President. Katie Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
- Katie Miller moved to have Richard Frankovic be Secretary. Dolly 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
- Richard moved to have Katie Miller remain as Treasurer. Randy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

The annual Mus tournament will be held February 8<sup>th</sup>, details will be determined.

The next meeting will be held February 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at the Fix.

Meeting adjourned 6:11 pm.



# BHBC Annual Meeting Agenda

## January 25th, 2020

1. Call meeting to order - welcome
2. Read minutes from last years annual meeting
3. Treasurers report
4. Old business
  - A) Introduction of officers
  - B) Events from 2019 - Lukainka sales
    - Living History Days
    - Fair and rodeo *waved Booth fee*
    - Membership Drive
    - Activities
    - August 15th Celebration
  - C) Dance performances
  - D) Mus tournament results from 2019
5. New Business
  - A) N.A.B.O news
    - Ateak Ireki - Open the doors experience
    - Basque Language Program
    - Udaleku - June 21-July 3, Salt Lake City - *10-15 yrs old*
    - Jaialdi - July 28th - August 2nd, Boise Idaho
    - Fall meeting in Mountain Home Idaho
  - B) Member recognition plaques
  - C) Activities Discussion
  - D) August 15th, 2020 Celebration
  - E) Membership Dues
  - F) Retiring board members
  - G) Nomination of new board members
  - H) Nomination of the delegate position
  - I) Any other new business
6. Adjourn Meeting

# **Big Horn Basque Club Annual Membership Meeting**

**January 25, 2020 Cowboy Carousel**

President Trinity Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 3:44 pm. Roll call showed all officers and approximately 41 members present.

Katie Fennema read the minutes of the 2019 annual meeting. Joyce moved to approve the minutes as read and Sara 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

Katie Miller then gave the treasures report. See attachments (3) for details. Katie explained the P&L and balance sheets she prepared. Please note our NABO dues are paid based off of paid membership count from the annual meeting and from Mus tournament in February. Liz moved to approve the treasure's report. Joyce 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the motion carried.

Old business followed the treasure's report. Trinity introduced the board members and went over the events of 2019. It was noted that Sara Portwine filled Jean Urruty's board position. The goal of 2019 was to increase membership in the BHBC by hosting monthly activities. We gained a young new member through our efforts, welcome Marta! Thank you to Baileigh Rodriguez for all her help with the different monthly activities. Pinxo, music, language, mus, a dance clinic, and history nights were all held throughout 2019. Dance lessons were organized for the Clearmont Basques to participate in, instructed by Kirstie Auzqui. August 15<sup>th</sup> celebration held in Kaycee was a big success: Basque mass, sheep hooking, sheep dog trial demonstration, a wonderful meal was catered, Jean Flescher's band played, Jean Urruty told a story, and our own David Romtvedt played. Thank you to Richard Frankovik for donating a lamb! There were a couple little timing blips, but nothing terrible and a good time was had by all!

Lukainka was sold at Living History Days (40#) and during JCF&R (80#).

Mick spoke to the membership regarding the dance performances the group attended throughout 2019. Practice is still being held at 5:30 pm at the Church Hall on Wednesday nights, all are welcome to attend whether to watch or to learn



and practice or learn and perform. Big thank you to Mick for his dedication to keeping the dances alive!

Trinity announced the results from the Mus tournament, held in February 2019. Batista and Johnny Juanicotena won our local contest. They then attended the National contest in Idaho. Over the years the BHBC has had several teams place in the top three at nationals, thus have had their names engraved on the national plaque. Trinity will get a picture of the plaque to share with BHBC. Thank you to those who taught attendees of BHBC Mus night!

New Business was discussed next. Trinity gave a rundown of the N.A.B.O. news from her trip to Mountain Home, ID as our delegate for the fall meeting.

- Ateak Ireki – open the doors experience for young adults 16-25 to have an all-expense (except airfare and health insurance) paid 3 week trip to Basque Country to live with one of 15 Basque families who speak English. Must be a current BHBC to qualify. Need to sign up February 1<sup>st</sup> for summer of 2020. If interested speak to Trinity.
- Basque language program is available online, with teachers. Students in our local schools can use this program as their foreign language credit, because there is a way to evaluate and keep track of progress of students.
- Udaleku is being held June 21<sup>st</sup>-July 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020 in Salt Lake City, UT for 10-15 year olds. This is a good chance for our paid members' children to learn Basque culture. The BHBC pays tuition for those who want to attend.
- Jaialdi is being held July 28<sup>th</sup>-August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 in Boise, ID
- Trinity discussed the need for our club to have a designated delegate that is committed to attending the N.A.B.O. meetings, either in person or via the internet.

The BHBC then presented plaques to the Families of Madeline Harriet and Mary Lawrence to commemorate the time and energy they dedicated to continuing the Basque Heritage.

Whether or not to continue the monthly activities was discussed. Some expenses of the monthly activities were: postcards mailed out to the members announcing



the activities details, the library rent for couple of activities (\$10-15/use), food was purchased for Pintxo night, and Face Book and BHBC website were used to get the word out. These activities have helped to increase membership. They were a fun way to have members get involved, other than just during N.A.B.O. festival, and paid members get some value for their membership. We are the only club in the nation that offers something to its members every month. The consensus of the members present was to continue the activities, as the more we do as a club, the more participation will increase as time goes on.

All board members are listed on the BHBC website. Members are encouraged to reach out to them with their concerns, ideas, or questions.

August 15<sup>th</sup> celebration will be held in Buffalo at the fairgrounds in 2020.

The next item of business was the topic of increasing family membership dues. Baileigh Rodriguez moved to increase family membership dues from \$35 to \$40. Tony Rodriguez 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. After discussion for and against, the motion was amended. Joyce moved to amend the motion to read that the single membership be raised from \$20-\$25, as well. John Arambel 2<sup>nd</sup> the amendment. The motion, as amended, to increase family membership to \$40 and single membership to \$25 carried.

Trinity then let those present know that Katie Miller and Katie Fennema's board terms expire this year. Nominations were taken from the floor to fill these positions.

- Katie Miller
- Katie Fennema
- Marta Curuchet
- Catie Lohse

Katie Miller and Katie Fennema were elected to fill these two 3 year term positions.

Nominations for the delegate's 2 year term position were taken from the floor.

- David Romtvedt
- Audrey Reno
- Mick Camino

Mick Camino was elected to fill the BHBC N.A.B.O. delegate position. Mick will attend all BHBC board meetings as a non-voting member.

David Romtvedt announced he would like to turn his position of accordion player over to a younger person, since he will be in Europe and thinks younger people need to take over.

With no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

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Accrual Basis

# Big Horn Basque Club

## Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2019

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	<u>Dec 31, 19</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
FNB Checking	945.40
FNB Savings	<u>66,451.06</u>
Total Checking/Savings	<u>67,396.46</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>67,396.46</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>67,396.46</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	71,862.61
Unrestricted Net Earnings	226.00
Net Income	<u>-4,692.15</u>
Total Equity	<u>67,396.46</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u>67,396.46</u></b>



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Accrual Basis

**Big Horn Basque Club**  
**Profit & Loss**  
January through December 2019

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	<u>Jan - Dec 19</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Direct Public Support	
Dancing Income	700.00
Membership Dues	1,995.00
Memorial Contributions	405.00
MUS Tourney	435.00
Total Direct Public Support	<u>3,535.00</u>
Events & Food Sales	5,217.85
Investments	
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	205.62
Total Investments	<u>205.62</u>
Other Income	60.00
Total Income	<u>9,018.47</u>
Expense	
August 15th	
Advertising	328.55
Condiments, Drink & Other Items	112.48
Food	3,104.08
Rent	175.00
Total August 15th	<u>3,720.11</u>
Awards expense	1,207.80
Cash Box	700.00
Contract Services	222.00
Dancing Expense	1,540.90
Dues & Subscriptions	65.00
Food expense	1,041.65
Internet Expense	100.00
National Dues Expense	363.00
Operations	
Advertising	580.00
Postage, Mailing Service	342.01
Printing and Copying	355.66
Propane	20.69
Supplies	76.11
Total Operations	<u>1,374.47</u>
Rent Expense	910.00
Travel and Meetings	2,465.69
Total Expense	<u>13,710.62</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-4,692.15</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-4,692.15</u></u>

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Accrual Basis

**Big Horn Basque Club**  
**Profit & Loss**  
January 1 - 24, 2020

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	<u>Jan 1 - 24, 20</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Direct Public Support	
Dancing Income	450.00
Memorial Contributions	<u>595.00</u>
Total Direct Public Support	1,045.00
Events & Food Sales	<u>140.00</u>
Total Income	1,185.00
Expense	
Cash Box	200.00
Dancing Expense	316.00
Honorary Expense	51.57
Operations	
Postage, Mailing Service	<u>180.00</u>
Total Operations	180.00
Rent Expense	<u>452.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>1,199.57</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-14.57</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-14.57</u></u>





## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF BIG HORN BASQUE CLUB

February 11, 2020

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Meeting called to order: 5:40 PM  
Meeting Location: The Fix  
Present: Marta, Mick, Dolly, Trinity, Kate and Richard. Sara attended via phone.  
Absent: Randy

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### **Minutes of Last Meeting:**

Read, motion to accept by Dolly, 2nd by Kate, minutes approved.

### **Discussions/Business/Consensus:**

1. MUS Tournament, the general consensus is to try to have information out to the Members earlier next year.
2. Mick is scheduled to attend via the internet, the NABO meeting February 15, 2020.
3. To hire/appoint a Music Director BHBC, consensus, a good thing, but not to be a paid position.
4. Marta volunteered/nominated to be the Reporter for Facebook. Dolly motioned, Richard 2nd, approved.
5. Discussion and consensus: skip BHBC event and Board meeting in March - Trinity to draft a letter to BHBC membership for our review, to be sent out to membership.
6. The 2020 Monthly Events\* and responsible BHBC Board Members:

February, 2020	Trinity	July, 2020	Trinity
March, 2020	SKIP	August, 2020	No Meeting: <u>Event Dinner: 15th</u>
April, 2020	Dolly	September, 2020	Katie
May, 2020	Marta	October, 2020	Randy
June, 2020	Sara	November, 2020	Richard

\*Event Budget for the year (2020): \$5,000 •/• by 8 months = \$625/per month, - \$150 for the postage & cards = \$475 max. per Event.

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Meeting Adjourned: 6:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

  
Richard L. Frankovic, Secretary