

Soroptimist International Bidwell Rancho
Business Meeting
November 12, 2024

1. **Call to Order**

The Business Meeting of Soroptimist International Bidwell Rancho was held at Bidwell Park Golf Course . The Call to Order was at 6:05 P.M. Board Members present were President Marie Hartman, Vice President Babette Maiss, Immediate Past President Linda Lucena, Treasurer Paula Wilson, Secretary Maxine Guynn, Director Angie Little, band Parliamentarian, Sheron Box.

Members present were, Michelle Chambers, Anne Marie Chik, Yvette Sanfilippo, Susan Bandstra, Melanie Austin Kopping, Dawn Letner, Lisa Fitzgerald, Celeste Garcia, Kim nSayers, Layne Diestel, Della Miller.

A Quorum was Present

2. **Introductions**

3. **Thought of the Day**- “Men tell stories,” I say, “Women get on with it.” -Kristin Hannah

4. **Happy Bucks** - Remembering Dina

5. **Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes were approved as written.

6. **Treasurer’s report**

The Treasurer’s report was approved.

7. **Unfinished Business**

Sheron reminded the Club that per Robert’s Rules of Order, a Board recommendation needs a motion before the Club can vote on it.

Fundraising Committee report, Layne reported on the Fashion Luncheon March 29th 2025. Sally Mendez will be our MC. We have six models confirmed and have two spots left for models. We wont be able to sell liquor at the luncheon. Canyon Oaks can’t transfer its liquor license. They will drop the rental from \$600.00 to \$400.00, they won’t charge for coffee or water and they will donate a round of golf for four. More information to to follow on the Sponsor levels, silent auction and raffles. The Flyers and tickets are coming.

Fall District meeting, Sheron reported that we earned \$820.00 from raffles and centerpieces.

Bunco, Sheron also reported that we netted after expenses \$2270.00. Tickets were \$1425.00, raffle \$870.00 and wine \$252.00.

Potential fundraiser, Babette reported on a new fundraising opportunity. She has contacted the Owner of the company that puts the New Clairvaux Winery Lobster Fest. Many club members have attended this event every year. The owner is a Soroptimist and would be interested in putting a lobster feed on for our club. The cost to us is \$75.00 and available dates are September 27th or October 4th. We can use the End of Normal venue for free. We would sell wine and beer. Tickets could be \$100.00 to \$115.00. A motion to have a lobster feed fundraiser September 27, 2025 at the End of Normal venue was approved.

Holiday Committee, Yvette asked members to bring non perishable food for the food drive to the next meeting or to her office. The Salvation Army bell ringing will be either the 2nd or 3rd weekend in December. She and Gayle will be buying robes and hoodies for the Jesus Center Woman's Shelter. The shelter will give them a list of choices and sizes. The committee will wrap the gifts.

Santa Project, Maxine reported that they are getting gifts and supplies ready. She encourages everyone to plan on volunteering as they expect up to 300 children to attend.

Live Your Dream, Angie reported that they have received four applications.

8. **New Business**

Budget Amendment, Marie and Paula explained that we need to put back into our Budget a line item for \$1000.00 to fund Special Events. A motion was passed to add \$1000.00 line item for Special Events.

SIA delegate voting, Marie will submit our vote to pass all the proposed amendments.

S Club, Layne has proposed that we sponsor a S Club for the students at Fairview Schools. The motion to sponsor a S Club for the students at Fairview Schools was approved.

Christmas Party, Babette reported that our Christmas party December 10th would be at her house. We will be making wreaths and have a potluck dinner. She will send out a sign up for the potluck dinner. Bring wreath making supplies.

9. **Correspondence**

1. Thank you card from Teresa Armstrong district 1 director for hosting the Fall meeting.
2. \$1500 Check for the Santa Project from US Bank
3. \$16.00 Check from Kay Dunham for license plate holder

10. **Calendar**

Dec. 3rd - Board Meeting
Dec. 5th - Santa Project
Dec. 10th - Christmas Party
Jan. 7th - Board Meeting
Jan. 14th - Business Meeting
Jan 29th - Book Club (The Women, Kristin Hannah)

11. **Meeting Adjourned**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:06 PM by President Marie Hartman.