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**SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF BIDWELL RANCHO – CHICO**

**Board of Directors Minutes**      Tues. Jan 6, 2026      (Directors present **in bold type**)

<b>Babette Maiss</b>	<b>Marie Hartman</b>	<b>Melanie Kopping</b>	<b>Paula Wilson</b>	<b>Guest, LYD Chair</b>
Layne Diestel	<b>Maxine Guynn</b>	<b>Michelle Chambers</b>	<b>Sheron Box</b>	<b>Kim Goosman</b>

Meeting was called to order by President Babette Maiss at 5:50p.m.  
at the office of Parliamentarian Sheron Box, CPA

**1. Minutes** No revisions

**2. Treasurer’s Report** No revisions

Paula applied to SIA for a reduced Convention fee; results forthcoming.

**3. New Business**

**Live Your Dream** chair Kim Goosman presented 5 applicants for award consideration (out of about 2 dozen applications). All 5 applications will be presented for approval by the membership, for a total of \$4,200 in awards. The LYD budget was \$2,500 however after Board discussion and review of the club budget, Kim moved and Michelle seconded that we add \$1,200 from some flexible budget items plus a recent unrestricted \$500 donation. The recommended awards; 1<sup>st</sup> place \$1,200, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at \$1,000, and two at \$500 each.

**4. Unfinished Business**

A. **Committee Reports** were submitted in writing and emailed prior to the Board meeting. Babette will ask all committee chairs to use email for communication – rather than text.

i. **Women’s Resource** All SIBR members are welcome to attend the anti-trafficking presentation at SI Chico on Jan 14<sup>th</sup>, and Michelle will email the membership to invite response by Jan 9<sup>th</sup> in order to inform SI Chico.

B. **Lip Sync Contest** Babette will follow up with the club regarding the level of interest to pursue the opportunity this spring, or perhaps table until next year’s contest. The contest entry fee is due before the end of February.

**5. Correspondence**

Dawn L. thanked the club for the recent card and support.

Michelle will send a thank-you to US Bank, for the \$1,500 sponsorship of the Lobster Feast this fall.

**6. Calendar**

January 13 Business meeting

14 HET presentation at SI Chico

22 Program meeting; book club *The Book Club for Troublesome Women*

31 District 1 Winter Leadership Summit, Redding

February 3 Board meeting: snack; Melanie

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Michelle Chambers, SIBR Secretary