

# Adventurers' Club of Los Angeles

## Board of Directors Meeting

### March 3rd, 2019

**Venue: Michael Lawler's Yacht in Newport Harbor**

**Host: Alec Shumate**

#### Officers and Directors for 2019

##### Club Officers (5)

President: Mr. Michael Lawler

1st Vice President: Vacant

2nd Vice President: Mr. Rich Mayfield

Treasurer: Mr. Andy Medina

Secretary: Mr. Scott Warner

Past President: Mr. Eric Streit-Absent

##### Directors (6)

Mr. Mathew Nadu- Absent

Mr. Bryan Kriese-Absent

Mr. Lynn Redman

Mr. Ken Hudson

Mr. Alec Shumate

Mr. Jim Heaton

##### Visitors Attending

Vince Wetherby-Club Historian

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Call to order was made at 11:35 AM by Michael Lawler, who first thanked all for attending and gave his appreciation to Alec Shumate for hosting the lunch.

A declaration of a quorum was made by Scott Warner with 8 members attending. Those being: Michael Lawler, Rich Mayfield, Ken Hudson, Scott Warner, Lynn Redmon, Andrew Medina, Alec Shumate and Jim Heaton.

The February 2019 BOD minutes were reviewed, Amended and approved by all members.

### President's Report: Michael Lawler

Michael started by thanking all members for attending and said that the club is in great shape financially, thanks to Roger Hafts generous donation to the club. He suggested we send a Thank You letter to his family and discussed his daughters offer to donate some of Rogers personal belongings to the club.

Mike then started a review of the plans for the remodel project at the club. He stated that the owners (Masons) had asked to come meet us at the club for an inspection and update on our remodel plans. He said that we should mention some of the building maintenance issues, such as the water leaks into the walls and damaged kitchen sink and sewer problems.

Michael shared and read a letter from the Masons requesting a meeting at the club. A discussion was held by the BOD on many other existing problems like the electrical issues.

Mike then suggested that we hire a professional designer and then mentioned a high-tech designer who works for Disney.

Ironically, Alec Shumate said he was good friends with this person and would contact him directly.

Michael reviewed the scheduled presentations for the next 3 months, which are booked through April into May. He reviewed all the upcoming presenters and Scott Warner asked to fill the vacancy on May 2nd. Suggestion was made to look for some High-profile speakers to speak at the Club.

The 2019 Business meetings and the Christmas party were discussed by the BOD.

### 1st Vice President's Report: Vacant

Michael reviewed the scheduled presentations for 2019.

### 2nd Vice President's Report: Rich Mayfield

Rich reviewed the status of the remodeling project and passed out a written estimate of some bids he received and showed some samples and color options for the new flooring.

A vote was taken and a tile was selected. Rich talked about the projects plans for completion, the need for the exhibits committee to get involved and the need for volunteers to help move all tables, chairs and displays from the library, hallways, dining room and entry into Chase hall.

Rich talked about his plans to have completed before Tiki Night on March 21st.

Rich proposed that we install a new zoned sound system for the club at a cost of 1200 dollars. A discussion was held and a motion was made to approve, seconded and unanimously approved.

Rich discussed the current exhibits committee and the need for them to organize and work with him on the remodel. It was agreed that Brian Kresie, Scott Warner and Rich Mayfield

Would work together on the displays and exhibits.

### Treasurer's Report: Andrew Medina

Andrew circulated and reviewed the January thru February financials with the BOD and covered the format changes. The Bod agreed it was a good format. He stated that he would be tracking the monthly accounting at the club and said he wants to open a Credit card account and an amazon account. The BOD discussed and agreed that the bylaws will need to be addressed and we will present it at the 1st business meeting in October.

Members' dues not paid were reviewed and it was agreed that we would send out another E-mail to the membership, before addressing the individual members who have not paid.

Per the bylaws, a member who has not paid by June 1st loses his good member standing.

Andrew then discussed the upcoming movie night scheduled for March 16th. He discussed ways to improve and increase attendance, including no charge for members and only 5 dollars for guests. Popcorn and drinks would be sold separately. The BOD discussed and gave the Ok for the pricing.

### Secretary's Report: Scott Warner

Scott talked about assisting Kevin Lee with the new Directory and Roster and the status of 3 members. He said he had been tasked with trying to locate and updating missing member's info as well as trying to collect past dues from three members. He stated that

He said that David Udjborg #1165 declined BOD offer to waive past dues and was unable to pay for 2019. Scott stated he would be removed from membership. But said he was able to reach Dan Glaser and Richard Russel, who both agreed to bring their dues up to date.

Scott said it is very important to make every attempt to reach our members who have not paid their dues.

Scott advised the Board that Jim Dorsey had requested Emeritus status as of May1st 2019.

A discussion was held and the BOD wanted to know if he was retired. Scott will follow-up and report back to the Board.

Scott said we could have some problems at the club with the A/C and need a new Microwave and a new bar sign with prices of spirits and wine. Andrew Medina said he would take care of those issues.

Scott suggested we switch over and collect all dinner money at the front desk, but still have someone man the Bar. He also said we need to have people available to take 1st time guests on a tour of the club. This is a House committee function and is an important responsibility to offer to our new guests.

He also discussed the need to keep a cash box at the club with a small bank for making change.

### Membership/Admissions Report: Eric Streit-Absent

Discussion was held by the BOD on who is handling membership and it was agreed that Jeff Holmes and Eric were working together. Scott warner said that Jeff had told him that we have 2 members ready and

2-3 potentials. It was agreed by the board that we need to bring in at least 10 members per year to keep the club strong and growing in membership.

Club files were discussed and agreed we need to check all new members to verify their files and info is up to date. Scott Warner will handle.

### Old Business

Ken Hudson reviewed the status of the upcoming Tiki night to be held on March 21st.

He discussed the food, band, music and presentation he would be giving and asked for volunteers to help with various duties. He said that David McAlexander and Eric Streit would take care of food for the event. Scott Warner agreed to help set-up the raffle and would man the front desk with Andrew Medina and Jim Heaton who would handle checking in the guests and drink sales along with club paraphernalia. Talked about the table set-ups at the club and who would handle the Tiki bars. Alec Shumate and Mathew Nadu volunteered to handle the Bars.

Ken discussed the attendance numbers, table setups and the format for the evening and

It was agreed that we would meet at the club on movie night (March 16th) to set up the tables and do the tear down the following Saturday after Tiki Night.

### New Business

Discussion held on creating some new banners for the club.

Alec Shumate talked about ways to attract new and younger members to the club. Reviewed various ideas including an equipment room where we could store club items and supply members some equipment for going on adventures. Talked about creating an adventure fund to help fund people to go on expeditions.

Ken Hudson suggested we start inviting local clubs, including the Boy Scouts and possibly offer events outside of the club.

Scott Warner talked about us advertising in the LA times and hold an open night at the club for local adventurers. He talked about some of the various clubs we could invite to the club and the need for us to get more involved with social media and possibly attend the LA travel shows.

Extensive conversation held on the amount of open nights at the club and the quality of our speakers. Scott suggested we try to get some well-known and famous speakers at the club to boost attendance.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by,  
Scott Warner (#1184)  
ACLA Secretary