

NABO MEETING

Elko, Nevada

**Northeastern Nevada Museum**

**July 4, 2003**

President Pierre Etcharren called the meeting to order at 8:15a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The following delegates, guests, and chairpersons were present:

<b><u>Club</u></b>	<b><u>Delegate</u></b>
Fresno Basque Club	Josephine Arriet
Boise Euzkaldunak, Inc.	Ricardo Yanci
	Ana Mendiola
Oinkari Basque Dancers	Johnny Aldape
	Sean Aucutt
Basque Museum & Cultural Center	Barry Bumgarner
Alkartasuna SW Basque Club	Martin Goicoechea
	Kaye Goicolea
Center for Basque Studies-UNR	Kate Camino
Elko Euzkaldunak	Bob Echeverria
	Anita Anacabe Franzoia
Reno Basque Club	Ken Barrenchea
	Linda Barrenchea
Mendiko Euskaldun Cluba	Teresa Fernandez
	Jeanette Blanco

Lagun Onak Basque Club	Melissa Guerriga
	Jose Beristain
Euskaldunak Danak Bat	Paige Brooks
	Ana Marie Smith
SF Basque Cultural Center	Franxoa Bidaurreta
San Francisco Basque Club	Jean Pierre Elissetche
	Valerie Arrechea
Ontario Basque Club	Grace Mainvil
	Lisa Corcostegui
Basque Club of Utah	Mary Gaztambide
	Jean Gaztambide
Society of Basque Studies	J.R. Cengotitabengoa
	Emilia Doyaga
Euzko Etxea of New York	Anna Aguirre
	Luis Foncillas-Etxeberria
Anaitasuna Basque Club	Gina Espinal
	Jose Zalba
Chino Basque Club	John Ysursa
Seattle Euskal Etxea	Antoinette Sabarots
	John Etulain
Kern County Basque Club	Louis Iturriria
	Frankie Iturriria
Los Banos Basque Club	Amador Zabalbeascoa
	#2 delegate (name unreadable)

Basque Educational Organization

Anton Laxague

Gooding Basque Assn.

Julian Legarreta

Euskal Lagunak, Inc.

Robert Campbell

Diana Monasterio

**COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

**OFFICERS**

Video-Jesus Pedroarena

President-Pierre Etcharren

Euskara-Martin Goicoechea

V-President-Bob Echeverria

Udaleku-Valerie Arrechea

V-President-Mary Gaztambide

Culture/Hizketa-John Ysursa

Treasurer-Grace Mainvil

Mus-Victor Esain

Secretary-Esther Bidaurreta

Pilota-Maurice Negueloua

Calendar-Mary Lou Urrutia

**GUESTS**

Pat & Rufino Arrizabalaga – Clearwater, Florida

Anita Arana Bumgarner – Meridian, Idaho

Domingo Miura – Vancouver, BC

Frank, Pedro, & Mike Etchart – Vancouver, BC

Gina Gridley – Boise, Idaho

Josephine Anchustegui – Mountain Home, Idaho

Frances Pedroarena – Minden, Nevada

Enrike Corcostegui – Reno, Nevada

Sara Velez Mallea – Reno, Nevada

## **PROXIES**

The following proxies were submitted: Isidro Etcheto to Ana Marie Smith; Miguel Olano to Page Brooks; Ignacia Goicolea to Kaye Goicolea; Tony Campos to Josephine Arriet; Gloria Totoricaguena to Kate Camino.

## **WELCOME**

Catalina Laughlin, President of Elko Euzkaldunak, welcomed all and presented the weekend festivities. She also presented the officers with a welcome gift.

## **MINUTES**

Barry Bumgarner made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Teresa Fernandez. Passed all in favor.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Grace Mainvil provided a copy of a detailed treasurer's report to all delegates. The president asked the delegates to review the report during the meeting. Questions and discussion would take place at the end of the meeting.

## **EUSKARA**

Martin Goicoechea submitted a detailed written report. Ten clubs have implemented some type of language program or are in the process of implementing language program availability. HABA has purchased the BOGA program which offers classes online without classroom environment. Our goal is to have 75% of the clubs having implemented some type of language program for members. Grants are available for language programs so clubs with limited funds can finance programs. HABA grants distributed at the meeting were San Francisco Basque Cultural Center -

\$520.00; New York Eusko Etxea - \$400.00; SW Wyoming Alkartasuna - \$792.65. Remember expenses are 100% covered with this grant.

## **MUS**

The NABO Mus Final was held 5/31/03 in San Francisco. Winners are Anton Laxague and Pierre Ausquy from the Sonoma-Marin Basque Club. They will compete at the International Tournament to be held in Mar Del Plata, Argentina, this fall. Mus rules were discussed as there was an incident at this year's NABO Final. John Ysursa made motion that players must behave during tournament, including no drinking and if the rule is broken, players will not be able to play in the future. Seconded by Kate Camino. After further discussion, John withdrew his motion. Mus rules will be reviewed and presented at the next meeting. A minimum of \$100.00 must be sent to the treasurer to participate in the tournament. The trophies were sponsored by Banque Inchauspe. Bob Echeverria made a motion that Victor Esain accompany our finalists to the International Tournament regardless of today's election outcome. Seconded by Franxoa Bidaurreta. All in favor.

## **UDALEKU**

There were 92 participants at this year's camp in June, 2003. Discussion was held of the camp's popularity and the increase in number of attendants (applicants were turned away due to inability to house) and the challenges that were experienced. Recommendations made: Pelota Camp may need to be held separately at the locations that can accommodate; adjust fee for camp depending on location; condense age group – 10 -16; behaviour problems of participants need to be passed on to succeeding clubs; each host club will need to determine how many participants can be handled; end of camp follow-up and pass on to next hosting clubs. The language part of the camp was too difficult due to the various levels of language skill of the participants. It was recommended that possibly culture could be offered to those that have no language background and encourage language to those that have a language background. Valerie Arrechea made a motion to provide Gaztemundu & Udaleku DVD's at no cost to club dance groups. Seconded by John Aldape. All in favor. If you are in need of xtistus, contact Valerie. NABO will buy 5 more to have in stock. Next year's Udaleku will be held in Boise, Idaho, 7/18/04 to 8/1/04.

## **VIDEO**

New dance instruction videos are available. JumpTV – Cancl Vasco is available for \$9.95/month thru Broadband. Time Warner Cable offers ETB channels in New York/New Jersey areas and possible Los Angeles. John Ysursa made motion that NABO spend \$400 for a DVD burner for Jesus P. to copy information on to DVDs. Seconded by John Aldape. All in favor.

## **KANTARI EGUNA**

It will be held August 9, 2003 in conjunction with the picnic in Gardnerville, Nevada. Mass will begin at 10:00a.m. Reservations should be made early. If you are interested in participating, please contact the club.

## **PELOTA**

Maurice Negueloua reported that the Pelota Camp went well in San Francisco. The NABO Finals will be held 9/13 & 14 in San Francisco. Please send the team names that will be participating.

## **CULTURAL/INTERNATIONAL/SONG BOOK/WEBSITE/FONTS**

John Ysursa's Book on Basque Dance is available compliments of UNR press. Bizi Emankorra recipients this year are Bob Echeverria and Luis Pe-Menchaca. Gazatemundu dance DVD's are available. Exclusive executive decision was taken to appropriate funds for a laptop computer for the World Congress power point presentation. Money had been appropriated for computers according to Grace and is shown in the treasurer's report.

World Congress: First phase of survey being prepared is complete and the second phase is in progress. John presented what he has prepared for the presentation of NABO's 4 year goals for review of the delegates. The complete presentation can be found on the NABO website.

A highlight of the presentation is the establishment of Youth Groups in our NABO clubs. John proposed that clubs establish activities for the teen, young adult group as it is at this point that many young Basques find other interests.

Lisa Corcostegui made a motion to accept the proposal by John Y. Seconded by Valerie Arrechea. All in favor.

Good communication needs to be established between seasoned club members and oncoming young members to keep the clubs going. Several suggestions were discussed to encourage young adult participation.

John Aldape made a motion to accept the World Congress presentation as presented by John Ysursa. Seconded by Rob Campbell. All in favor.

### **CALENDAR**

Mary Lou Urrutia reported that the 2004 calendar is finally ready to go. She needs to finalize club dates. She needs a check for \$4,000.00 for deposit. Encouraged any one to submit ideas.

### **BERTSU BOOK**

The book is a little behind schedule. It should be completed and delivered in August. Total cost of project is \$13,750.50. Donations equal \$7,545.00 to date and NABO's investment is \$6,000.00. Jesus Goni has offered to store the cases of books in Reno. Zenbat Gara Dance Group has offered to do the handling for a small fee. There are 16 books per case. Club cost per book to NABO is \$16.00. Shipping cost to be paid by club. Recommended retail price is \$24.95. John Ysursa made a motion that \$2.00/book be paid to Zenbat Gara Dance Group for handling. This would come out of the \$16.00/book to NABO. Seconded by Mary Lou Urrutia. All in favor.

John Ysursa made a motion for Martin, Lisa and Grace to best determine how to set up the collection and dispersal of the bertsu books and monies for NABO's benefit. Seconded by Anita Anacabe. All in favor.

Previously Joxe Mallea had submitted a proposal to the National Endowment for Arts to recognize the bertulari. He was proud to report that 4 bertularis will be given their highest honor in September. The category will be Improvisational Poetry. The four are: Jesus Arriada, Johnny Curcutchet, Martin Goicoechea, and Jesus Goni.

Joxe also reported that the Center for Basque Studies sponsored a worldwide conference on improvisational poetry to open international dialogue. This was held in June.

### **CENTER FOR BASQUE STUDIES**

No report given.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVAL**

Bob Echeverria made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as printed. Seconded by Valerie Arrechea. Passed unanimously.

## **OPEN/NEW BUSINESS**

### **INVENTORY LIST**

A computer listed on the inventory list needs to be removed as it is no longer being used in that location. Bob Echeverria made a motion to give said computer to the Ontario Club so that they can use it for the HABE program. Seconded by John Ysursa. All in favor.

### **SOCIETY OF BASQUE STUDIES**

Emilia Doyaga reported on the progress of the Basque International Cultural Center. She encouraged NABO clubs to support the fundraising.

### **AMERIKANUAK**

To date \$2,500.00 profit has been generated.

### **BOISE MUSEUM**

Barry Bumgarner reported that the Museum has been offered an E. L Weegan challenge grant of \$200,000.00. This money would be used to refurbish the old brick house on the Boise Basque Block. The \$200,000.00 match needs to be completed by 10/31/03.

### **IKASTOLA**



Grace Mainvil reported that the Boise Basque Museum sponsored Ikastola is having a major fundraising this summer – a golf tournament on 8/4/03 and Jose Mari Olazabal is donating is trip to make himself available for the tournament.

## **ELECTIONS**

Nominations were opened for president. Amador Zabalbeascoa nominated Pierre Etcharren. Seconded by Victor Esain. Kate Camino nominated Mary Gaztambide. Seconded by Teresa Fernandez.

Victor Esain made motion that nominations for president cease. Seconded by John Ysursa. All in favor.

Nominations were opened for treasurer. Martin Goicoechea nominated Grace Mainvil. Seconded by Barry Baumgarner.

Jose Zalba made a motion that nominations for treasurer cease. Seconded by Robert Campbell. All in favor.

After votes were counted, Pierre Etcharren remained president for one more year.

Anita Anacabe made a motion that the Board remain the same for one more year. Seconded by John Ysursa. All in favor.

Same chairpersons will remain.

Bob Echeverria made a motion to provide secretary with internet access up to \$24.00. Seconded by John Aldape. All in favor.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Fall, 2003 – 11/08 – San Francisco Basque Cultural Center, San Francisco

Winter, 2004 – date TBA (first part of Feb.) – Salt Lake City, Utah

Convention, 2004 – May 29 & 30 – Bakersfield, California (Memorial weekend)

Fall, 2004 – date TBA – Winnemucca, Nevada

Winter, 2005 – date TBA – Seattle, Washington

Convention, 2005 – date TBA – Rock Springs, Wyoming

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Bob Echeverria to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Amador Zabalbeascoa. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:20p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Esther Bidaurreta

Secretary