

NABO MEETING FEBRUARY 13, 1999 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

The following guests and delegates were present:

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| John L. Aldape | Oinkari Dancers |
| Jeremy Malone | Boise Club |
| Edu Sarria | Oinkari Dancers |
| John Ysursa | Chino Club |
| Etienne Jorajuria | S.F. Cultural Center |
| Jean Berhan | S.F. Cultural Center |
| Emilia Doyaga | Society Basque Studies |
| Gloria Aberasturi | New York Club |
| Inaki Aberasturi | New York Club |
| Mary Rose Aberasturi | Guest-New York |
| Begona Pecharroman | Guest-UNR Library |
| Frank Pedeflous | Guest-Fresno |
| Yvonne Granata | Reno Club |
| Miguel Olano | Winnemucca Club |
| Jim Etcheverry | Los Banos Club |
| Maurice Negueloua | NABO Pelota |
| Ralph Gamboa | Elko Club |
| Nicolas Fagoaga | Elko Club |
| Valerie Arrechea | San Francisco Club |
| Pierre Etcharren | San Francisco Club |
| Gina Espinal | Guest-B.C. San Fran |
| Jose Zalba | Guest-B.C. San Fran |
| Leon Saldubehere | Los Banos Club |
| Josephine Anchustegui | Mountain Home Club |
| Brenda Willey | Winnemucca Club |
| Maria D. Gutierrez | Guest-Vancouver |
| Denise Miral | Marin-Sonoma Club |
| Mary Lou Urrutia | Reno Club |
| Bob Echeverria | President |
| Clarice Gamboa | Secretary |
| Stephen Iparrogirre | Kern Co. Club |
| Grace Gesar | Bighorn Club |
| Jose M. Beristain | Las Vegas Club |
| Josephine Arriet | Fresno Club |
| Victor Esain | Fresno Club |
| Jesus Pedroarena | Gardnerville Club |
| Frances Pedroarena | Gardnerville Club |
| Franxoa Bidaurreta | U.S. Federation Pelota |
| Anne M. Minaberri | Kern Co. Club |
| Kate Camino | Guest-Reno |
| Mary Gaztambide | Salt Lake City Club |
| Jean Gaztambide | Salt Lake City Club |
| Martin Goicoechea | S.W. Wyoming Club |

Pedro Amankz	S.W. Wyoming Club
Peio Urrutia	Ventura Club
Jose Urrutia	Ventura Club
Inaki Aguirre	Basque Government
Benan Oregi	Basque Government

PROXIES

The following proxies were submitted: Isidro Echeto to Brenda Willey, Larry Esson to Jo Anchustegui, Patty Miller to Jeremy Malone, Louie Uranga to Jeremy Malone, Stephen Esponda to Grace Gosar, J. Ramon Cengotitabengoa to Emilia Doyaga, and Irene Aguirre to Gloria Aberasturi DePalma.

The President of the San Francisco Cultural Club, Jean Berhan, welcomed all of us and explained this weekend activities.

MINUTES

The November 7, 1998 minutes should be corrected to show a spelling error on Maritorea's name. It was also noted that the handball winners were not reported.

A motion was made by Jeremy Malone and seconded by Gina Espinal to approve the November 7, 1998 minutes with corrections. Passed.

TREASURERS REPORT

In the absence of NABO's Treasurer, Grace Mainvil, President Echeverria read her report as submitted.

General Account		
Checking	\$ 1,280.02	
Savings	4,215.03	
Total General Account		\$ 5,495.05
Pelota Account		1,043.39
Mus Account		
Checking	(64.24)	
Savings	280.53	
CD'S	35,234.99	
Total Mus Account		35,451.28
Account in Spain		3,734 ptas
Educational Account		
Checking	2,740.23	
Savings	10,678.22	
CD'S	40,680.83	
Total Education Account		54,099.28
Music Camp Account		641.23
Jean Leon Iribarren Memorial Fund Account		1,094.49

A motion was made by Josephine Arriet and seconded by Jim Etcheverry to approve the treasurers report as submitted. Passed.

“AMERIKANUAK! BASQUES OF THE HIGH DESERT” (booklet reprint)

President Echeverria stated that 2700 booklets have been printed and some are at the Bend museum and the Elko museum. This exhibit will be in Elko April 16th until sometime in October. Then it will go to Rock Springs from April. 2000 until October.

INSURANCE

The Seattle club asked if NABO could coat tail liability insurance for different clubs events. The cost is not available yet, this will be discussed at a later date.

CALENDAR

There are about 400 calendars left, and the profit is around \$1,000.00. For the 2000 calendar dates and pictures should be submitted by May 1st. The calendars should be ready to be picked up at the NABO convention in Reno this summer.

MUSIC CAMP

Valerie Arrechea reported this years camp will be June 20th—July 1st at San Francisco. There are teachers for music, pelota, language and dance. Ages will be from 10 years old and beyond. The due date will be June 1st and the fee will be \$250.00. The students will be lodged with local families.

INTERNATIONAL

John Ysursa stated the World Congress would like a list of topics submitted by February 28th.

Inaki Aguirre reported that a draft for the meeting will be sent by March 15th with the topics to be discussed at the October 18th Congress. He would like a list ASAP after the July NABO convention from the US delegates for the World Congress meeting.

There was discussion about the youth meeting the last 2 weeks in September. No young people attended from the US in 1998. Some delegates suggested changing the time of the meeting and changing the requirement for knowledge of a language. Inake Aguirre said he would try to make an effort to change this.

ETB TV

For the clubs that are interested in receiving detailed information about ETB TV contact Jesus Pedroarena by his e-mail # jpedroar@sierra.net. He can also tell any club the cost to up grade their computer.

MUS

Pierre Etcharren reported the NABO finals will be held May 29th at Bakersfield. The same rules will apply and the NABO fee should be \$10.00 for each player in the local tournament. He wants to know the names of each club's winners after their tournaments. He stressed to each club to encourage the youth to learn how to play and hold some tournaments for them. The International Tournament will be held in Acapulco in October for a week.

HANDBALL

Maurice Negueloua showed jumbo txapels's that will be given instead of trophies. The cost was \$340.00 for 11 and everyone thought they were very nice. Maurice will let the clubs know where the NABO finals will be held. He thanked President Echeverria and the board for their help getting him a coach last year. Maurice donated \$200.00 to NABO with his thanks.

Kern County will have professional handball players at their picnic.

KANTARI

Frances Pedroarena reported this event will be held August 14th in connection with their picnic. In 2000 Kantari will be held August 12th.

WHISKEY CREEK

President Echeverria reported that Jose Mallea will be going back in the end of July or the 1st week in August. The cabins need to be raised and put on a foundation. Jose Mallea's phone numbers are home 775-677-2353 work 775-784-4854. Call him if you are interested in this project. There will be a plaque from the John Leon Iribarren Memorial put at Whiskey Creek.

VIDEO

Jesus Pedroarena started this in 1992. He has 36 blank tapes now. For 1998 he made 152 tapes for an income of \$1225.00 and expenses of \$403.05.

SOCIETY OF BASQUE STUDIES

Emilia Doyaga thanked Anne Marie Minaberri and the Bakersfield club for all the help they gave the Society for the Hall of Fame event. When the Hall of Fame recipients are chosen it is for people who have promoted Basques in the world and they do not have to be of the Basque nationality Emilia reported.

She encouraged all clubs to promote the good the Basques do. The Trainera project and the statues in Chicago and Reno are examples of contributions Basques have made to the world.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mike Olano and seconded by Jim Etcheverry that we return to the Buffalo, 1995 minutes that states the President, Secretary and Treasurer will be reimbursed \$45.00 for each day and no receipts are necessary. Passed.

Martin Goicoechea commented that we need to preserve the Basque language. He has and will teach some classes in Wyoming. It was suggested that NABO could create a program for this. UNR does have some resources for this. Inaki Aguirre has a program that was started in Argentina in 1990 and it will last 10 years. He will send information explaining this program. New York has hired a language teacher to hold classes each Sunday. A grant was used to pay her. The program is geared to younger children. Jeremy Malone stated Boise has a Basque language pre-school class. Inaki Aguirre said it is difficult to send a teacher from the government to the U.S. It was reported that Jesus Pedroarena has tapes and booklets to teach Basque.

Frank Pedeflous introduced the new President of the International Handball who is Franxoa Bidaurreta.

Kate Camino reported the NABO convention will be July 23rd thru the 25th in Reno. This will be their 40th anniversary and they are planning a culture week. Friday will be the NABO meeting. They want to honor the Basque priests that are here now. NABO could present them with a plaque. It was suggested that NABO could also honor Bill Douglas. A motion was made by John Ysursa and seconded by Jesus Pedroarena that NABO create plaques (8 ½ x 11) for founder Bill Douglas and the Basques priests. Passed. Kate urged each club to get a team together for the relay race. If you call 1-800-4 Reno you will receive a booklet.

Future meetings

July 23, 1999	Reno Convention
November 13, 1999	Portland
February 12, 2000	Salt Lake City
Last Friday in July, 2000	Boise Convention
Fall meeting, 2000	Open

Meeting adjourned,

Clarice Gamboa,
Secretary

NABO MEETING JULY 23, 1999 RENO, NEVADA

President Echeverria took roll call of the clubs and introduced our guests from the Basque government.

The following guests and delegates were present:

Pierre Etcharren	San Francisco Club
Etienne Jorajuria	San Francisco Cultural
Jean Berhan	San Francisco Cultural
Franxoa Bidaurreta	U.S. Federation of Pelota
John Camino	Big Horn—Wyoming
Anne M. Minaberri	Kern Co. Club
Stephen Iparraguirre	Kern Co. Club
Maurice Negueloua	NABO Pelota
Virginia Bernada	Seattle Club
Denise Miral	Marin-Sonoma Club
Mary Lou Urrutia	Reno Club
Pedro Amarica	Rock Springs Club
Martin Goicoechea	Rock Springs Club
Koldo Ordozgoitt	Guest-Donostia
Richard Goni	Susanville Club
Miel Elustondo	Guest-Vitoria
Zachary Berhan	New York Club
Gloria Aberasturi	New York Club
Louie Larrinaga	Society of Basque Studies
Emilia Doyaga	Society of Basque Studies
Karol Belaustegi	Guest-Golden Gate Institute
Nicolas Fagoaga	Elko Club
Ralph Gamboa	Elko Club
Frank Marker, Sr.	Guest-Bakersfield
Miguel Olano	Winnemucca Club
Bert Aphesssetche	Chino Club
Larry Esson	Mountain Home Club
Jo Anchustegui-Esson	Mountain Home Club
Jeremy Malone	Boise Club
Edu Sarria	Oinkari Dancers Club
John L. Aldape	Oinkari Dancers Club
Louie Uranga	Boise Club
Patty A. Miller	Basque Museum-Boise
Gina Espinal	Anaitasuna Club
Tony Espinal	Anaitasuna Club
Jose L. Urrutia	Ventura Club
Josephine Arriet	Fresno Club

Victor Esain
 Leon Saldubehere
 Jim Etcheverry
 Anita Peterson
 Jesus Pedroarena
 Frances Pedroarena
 Jean Gaztambide
 Mary Gaztambide
 Helen Sabala Faulkner
 Julian Legarreta
 Cuio Basterrechea
 Grace Mainvil
 Dominic Etcheberria
 Shirley Shepherd
 Jodi Moore
 Bob Echeverria
 Clarice Gamboa

Fresno Club
 Los Banos Club
 Los Banos Club
 Portland Club
 Gardnerville Club
 Gardnerville Club
 Salt Lake City Club
 Salt Lake City Club
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 Gooding Club
 Gooding Club
 Ontario Club
 So. California Club
 Guest-Battle Mountain
 Guest-Battle Mountain
 NABO President
 NABO Secretary

PROXIES

The following proxies were submitted: Isidro Echeto to Mike Olano, Valerie Arrechea to Pierre Etcharren, and Carmen Lotina to Anita Peterson.

President of the Reno club, Kate Camino, welcomed all and explained the weekend activities. She passed out Basque place mats and brochures which may be ordered now.

President of the Basque Parliament, Juan Atutxa, presented each club with a picture and expressed his delight at being here during the Reno festival and the NABO convention.

MINUTES

The minutes of the August 4, 1995, meeting in Buffalo, Wyoming that contained the change to the officers per diem were passed out, as were letters to clarify this from Simon Iberlin and Bob Goicoechea. After some discussion it was decided that receipts were not necessary, but when meals were paid by the host clubs for the officers, that amount would be deducted from the per diem of \$45.00 per day.

A motion was made by Jim Etcheverry and seconded by Etienne Jorajuria that the February 13, 1999 minutes be approved. Passed.

TREASURERS

Grace Mainvil submitted the following balances:

General Account	
Checking	2,577.40
Savings	4,426.13

Total General Account		7,003.53
Pelota Account		943.38
Mus Account		
Checking	7,472.48	
Savings	434.37	
CD'S	36,279.35	
Total Mus Account		44,186.20
Account in Spain		3,734 ptas
Educational Account		
Checking	1,468.99	
Savings	11,005.85	
CD'S	41,832.88	
Total Educational Account		54,307.72
Music Camp Account		641.23
Jean Leon Iribarren Memorial Fund Account		1,206.86

A motion was made by Jesus Pedroarena and seconded by John Ysursa to pay Grace Mainvil for her February, 1999, San Francisco trip. She was ill and could not attend the meeting. Passed.

A Motion was made by Josephine Arriet and seconded by Steven Iparraguirre to approve the treasurers report. Passed.

NABO INVENTORY

A motion was made by Jeremy Malone and seconded by Rich Goni to give the extra calendars to whoever wants them. Passed.

A motion was made by Louie Uranga and seconded by Jose Urrutia to give the old scanner that John Ysursa brought to the meeting to the group in charge of the calendars. Passed.

A motion was made by Jeremy Malone and seconded by Zachary Berhan that the inventory should be approved as corrected. Cross off historical photo of Ardantza, videos should be 98 and calendars are 275. Passed.

BATTLE MOUNTAIN

Bob appointed Jeremy Malone, chairman, Gina Espinal and Frances Pedroarena to review Battle Mountain, Nevada's papers for membership to NABO.

After lunch and a recommendation from Jeremy Malone a motion was made by Victor Esain and seconded by Leon Saldubehere that we accept Battle Mountain as our new member club. Passed.

REGISTRATION

President Bob Echeverria reported to date that Los Banos and Marin Sonoma have finally been registered after many, many phone calls.

Winnemucca and Susanville have decided that they do not wish to register at this time. It was decided to call them "clubs of friendship" for the purpose of relations with the Basque Government. They may register at any time in the future and this will not change their status in NABO. President Echeverria has attempted to Not build walls in as much as NABO for the past 20 years has tried to bring all Basques together!

Benan Oregi reported he was involved in this process starting July, 1998. He wanted to have the registrations completed before the World Congress in October, 1999. He stated that by next Tuesday NABO will be registered with the Basque government. Winnemucca and Susanville will not be on the list at this time. The door is open and they can submit their papers at any time. Grants will not be available to those 2 clubs. He thanked President Echeverria for all the work he did to get this project done on time.

Patty Miller asked and President Echeverria confirmed that the clubs and NABO are each doing their own grants. Clubs do not at this time have to go through NABO, they deal directly with the Autonomous Basque Government.

GRANT MONEYS

Benan Oregi reported 15 clubs have applied for grants. During the break Benan was available to talk to the clubs about their grants.

AMERIKANUAK

President Echeverria reported that plaques have been given to the Bend Museum and others at the Elko opening. The booklet has been printed and is on sale in Elko. This display will go to Rock Springs, Wyoming next. It is hoped that this display will go to the Basque country in the future.

MUS

Pierre Etcharren reported the winners at the Bakersfield Tournament were Abel Martinez and Fernando Perez. These winners will go to Acapulco October 17-23 for the International Tournament. Pierre requested each club have a young Mus tournament by next year. In 2001 the International Tournament will be held in Boise.

Tony Espinal would like to see the 2nd place winners receive some kind or type of award. No motions were made!

LANGUAGE/BESTO

Martin Goicoechea presented a video he had recorded about teaching Basque and how this kind of interactive video could be used to teach many Basque subjects! He would like suggestions about this and also put this on the agenda for our next meeting. This project could qualify under the Educational Funds. The title is '98 Conference Besto and is available from Jesus Pedroarena. It is about 1 ½ hours. There is a course from the UNR Basque studies that teaches basic Basque language that costs about \$40.00

CULTURAL/INTERNATIONAL

John Ysursa reported that any club can have a web page if you will send him the information. The fonts are on sale now too. He is posting letters and information on people that want to come to the U.S. to work on the web.

A motion was made by Patty Miller and seconded by Frances Pedroarena to spend \$100.00 to keep the web sit going. Passed.

John urged young people to attend Gaztemundi September 13.

He reported the World Basque Congress will be held in October. NABO was asked to submit 6 names. Benan Oregi is our representative from the Basque Government, his new boss is Josu Legarreta. Inaki Aguirre has moved up to the General Sec. Of the Exterior.

NABO will hand out plaques tonight at the Pioneer Theater to the original Sparks organizers of the Basque festival 40 years ago, Bill Douglas and the Basque priests.

The next issue of Hizketa will be starting year 10. We thanked John for his great job and the nice articles of the 3 members that are deceased.

John reported the songbook is at the publisher and should be available next year at the NABO convention in Boise.

John has written a book on Basque dance. He stated that there are some good videos available on dance and music to help the clubs.

A motion was made by John Ysursa and seconded by Mary Gaztambide to copy John's scrape book of sheet music and mail to each club. This cost should be no more than \$500.00 Passed.

ETB

Jesus Pedroarena reported that some of this TV coverage maybe available after the summer.

HANDBALL

Maurice Negueloua reported that NABO semi-finals will be November 13th and 14th in Bakersfield. The regions are Chino—LA—Bakersfield, Fresno—SF and Idaho—Nevada. He stated it is necessary for the older Basques to urge the children to start playing. It is a good opportunity to met other players and to play in many different towns.

There are patches and mementos for Maurice to take to the Basque country.

MUSIC CAMP

Pierre Etcharren reported for Valerie that 54 children attended this years camp, and 2 were from Donostia. The language and handball instructors were professionals. Buffalo will host the 2000 camp. Music camp will be held in San Francisco in 4 years. There were no expenses to NABO for this years camp as donations were made by the San Francisco clubs.

KANTARI

Frances Pedroarena reported Kantari will be held on August 14th this year and on August 12th in 2000.

CALENDARS

Mary Lou Urrutia reported that the 2000 calendars cost was \$8,511 for 2500.

A motion was made by John Yursa and seconded by Mary Gaztambide that NABO sell the calendars to the clubs for \$5.00 each. Passed.

Mary Lou asked all clubs to please correct their addresses and e-mails. She would like to set a standard of May 15th each year that pictures and dates are due for the calendars. Also more U.S. pictures are needed.

VIDEOS

Jesus Pedroarena reported on the videos available to the clubs.

WHISKEY CREEK

President Echeverria read a report from Jose Mallea.

Karol Belaustegi is working with the Golden Gate Institute, a Basque Studies type program with 3 of her students here at this time! Karol would like permission to collect tax deductible donations in NABO's name for Whiskey Creek restoration and any moneys left to be earmarked for similar projects. NABO recommends receipts on every donation.

A motion was made by Pierre Etcharren and seconded by Mike Olano that NABO donate up to \$500.00 for camping/personal gear expenses for Karol's students on this project from the Jean

Iribarren Account. Receipts will be required. Whatever is collected by the group on this weekend goes back to NABO. Passed.

INSURANCE

President Echeverria reported that at this date NABO is not able to do any special insurance for the clubs. Zachary Berhan from New York will clarify any questions on this matter for individual clubs. His e-mail is ieci@aol.com and his phone number is 718-626-3951..

SOCIETY OF BASQUE STUDIES

Emilia Doyaga reported this years Hall of Fame will be held in New York City on October 10th. A personal history is being done on each club and any input would be appreciated.

Emilia stated that by 2013 New York hopes to have an International Center which could help young people coming to the U.S. from Europe.

WORLD CONGRESS

President Echeverria handed out a report to all the delegates, which lists the 6 recommended to attend this affair. He thanked all those who responded to the 4 communications over the past months!

FUTURE MEETINGS

Portland, Oregon	November 13, 1999
Salt Lake City, Utah	February 5, 2000
Boise, Idaho	2000 NABO Convention
Los Banos, California	2001 NABO Convention

Motion made by Pierre Etcharren and seconded by John Ysursa to hold the 2002 NABO Convention in San Francisco.

Motion made by Ralph Gamboa and seconded by John Ysursa to hold the 2003 NABO Convention in Elko, Nevada.

Bakersfield, California	2004 NABO Convention
Rock Springs, Wyoming	2005 NABO Convention
New York, New York	2013 NABO Convention

ELECTIONS

A motion was made by Jim Etcheverry and seconded by Victor Esain that we keep the same President and Treasurer. Passed.

A motion was made by Ralph Gamboa and seconded by Jim Etcheverry that Pierre Etcharren be nominated as a Vice-President, this is allowed for in the by-laws. Passed.

NABO committees were re-appointed with the same chairmen.

Respectfully submitted,
Clarice Gamboa, Secretary