



North American Basque Organizations, Inc.

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Denise Etcharren, Secretary
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Nick Beristain, Delegate, Boise
John W. Jaureguito, Delegate, Reno
Janet Inda, Delegate, Reno
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Anita Anacabe, Delegate, Elko
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Frank Maitia, Sr., Delegate, Bakersfield
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Roger Bonson, Delegate, Menlo Park
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Present:

Jacques Unhassobiscay, President
Jim Ithurralde, Vice-President
Denise Etcharren, Secretary
Jo Frances Ansolabehere, Treasurer; Delegate, Bakersfield
François Bidaurreta, N.A.B.O. Handball Chairman
John Bastida, N.A.B.O. Mus Chairman; Delegate, Boise
Pierre Etcharren, Delegate, San Francisco
Jean Leon Iribarren, Delegate, San Francisco
Henry Bachoc, Delegate, Chino
Bert Aphessetche, Delegate, Chino
Pedro Etchamendy, Guest, Chino
Janet Inda, Delegate, Reno
John W. Jaureguito, Delegate, Reno
Ted Ciscar, Alternate, Ely
Manuel Barainca, Delegate, Ely
Anita Anacabe, Delegate, Elko
Bob Echeverria, Delegate, Elko
Bob Goicoechea, Guest, Elko
Vicki Bertz, Delegate, Winnemucca
Mike Olano, Delegate, Winnemucca
Leon Saldubehere, Delegate, Los Banos
Frank Pedeflous, Delegate, Los Banos
Frank Maitia, Sr., Delegate, Bakersfield
Nick Beristain, Delegate, Boise
Timmie Echanis, Alternate, Ontario
Sarah Plaza, Delegate, Ontario
Father Jean Pierre Cachenaout, Guest, Fresno

The Convention Meeting of the North American Basque Organizations, Inc. held on Saturday, June 10, 1978, at the Humbolt County Library in Winnemucca, Nevada was called to order at 9:30 a.m. following a brief introduction by the President.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the March 11, 1978 General Meeting were unanimously approved by motion presented by Janet Inda, seconded by Jean Leon Iribarren. A letter from Simon Achabal, President, Euzkaldunak, Inc., Boise, regarding Voice of the Basques was read giving Boise's reason for being unable to assume responsibility for the paper.

TREASURER'S REPORT. A financial report ending May 31, 1978 was distributed by the Treasurer showing a balance of \$3,855.80 in the General Fund and \$498.57 in the Educational/Memorial Fund. A clarification was made by San Francisco whose check for payment of dues applied toward 1977 and 1978. A motion by Janet Inda, seconded by Frank Maitia accepted the report as written.

1978 BASQUE MUSIC CAMP. A progress report was given by Anita Anacabe detailing the Elko Camp, June 24 - July 2. A total of 18 applications, excluding Elko students, have been received. A large contingent of students have registered for intermediate dancing, intermediate and beginning txistu. A small group, comprised mainly of girls, has registered for handball instruction. Pedro Juan Etchamendy of Chino was introduced to the delegates. Mr. Etchamendy offered his assistance to the Camp with his knowledge of music in txistu and accordion.

HANDBALL: N.A.B.O. INTER-CLUB TOURNAMENT. François Bidaurreta, Handball Chairman, clarified the Inter-club Tournament as being the event contested between N.A.B.O. member-club teams in the Western United States not to be confused with the World Handball Championship to be played in Biarritz, September 1-11, 1978. Class B semi-finals were held in Bakersfield on May 29, 1978. As the outcome, Los Angeles and Bakersfield must play each other in the final. The site for this event has yet to be decided. In Class A, it is anticipated the semi-final will be played in conjunction with the Elko National Basque Festival, Monday morning, July 3, pending confirmation. A location for the final in Class A must also be determined. Boise and Bakersfield were proposed as sites for the final and a third suggestion was to rotate the event yearly in areas with handball courts. It was added that if handball events are held with a festival or picnic, the two complement each other and attract a larger number of spectators. To end discussion, a motion was made by Jean Leon Iribarren to give authority to the handball chairman to work out the locations of the semi-final and final for 1978. This was seconded by Frank Maitia and approved. Lastly, it was suggested that in order to avoid problems and confusion, the handball chairmen should be called upon to arrange for individual players competing in tournaments rather than asking the players directly.

WORLD HANDBALL CHAMPIONSHIP. Progress in selecting a team to represent N.A.B.O. in Biarritz was commented upon. Trinquet players are limited in number and no problem is presented. Left-wall players, however, are numerous and elimination games must be set up through cooperation by the chairmen as the deadline for submitting the players' names is rapidly approaching. A run-down on the current status of N.A.B.O.'s acceptance by the International Handball Federation to participate as an independent association was given by Jacques. The Fédération Française de Pelote Basque assures us that we will be allowed to play. The question of team uniforms was raised. Following the proper procedure, the motion was made to allow François and the players decide on the uniforms providing they wear the N.A.B.O. emblem. This was approved. It was further motioned and approved that Jacques Unhassobiscay be the official N.A.B.O. representative at the World Handball Championship in Biarritz.

INSURANCE. Jean Leon Iribarren, following the request to inquire into the feasibility and cost of insurance, recommended that N.A.B.O. take a basic liability insurance which would insure N.A.B.O. at all its sponsored functions: handball, Mus, music camp, meetings, etc. Insurance Management Services of Elko was contacted as the corporation is Nevada-based. The limits are \$300,000. public liability and \$50,000. property damage. The cost is \$258. per year, subject to audit at the end of the year for handball games played (an added \$5.-10. assessment). After a thorough explanation by Jean Leon and discussion from the floor, a motion was made by Manuel Barainca, seconded by Janet Inda to accept liability insurance. This was unanimously agreed to. Phase II, Accident Insurance for the handball players was next explained. The medical insurance would be \$5,000. accidental death, \$10,000. accidental medical insurance with \$50. deductible. The cost for three months is \$6.90 state-side plus an additional \$3.45 for European coverage or \$10.35 per player. All players would have to take this, a fraction cannot.

INSURANCE (Cont.). Quotes were taken from Hartford and National Casualty. Discussion ensued and Jean Leon and Jacques felt it would be entirely up to the handball players if they desire to accept this insurance. Jim Ithurralde, on the other hand, felt the insurance should be compulsory to all players. Brochures will be sent to the N.A.B.O. member clubs by Jean Leon Iribarren giving specifics and those interested may apply. With regard to the 12 players competing in France, it was suggested that N.A.B.O. advance the premium for their insurance and they reimburse N.A.B.O. François informed that the players must have insurance in order to participate in the World Championship. A motion was made by Jim Ithurralde that all players and the representatives going to Europe for the World Handball Championship must have mandatory insurance. This was seconded by Ted Ciscar and approved by the delegates.

MUS. John Bastida, Chairman, gave a recap of the recent N.A.B.O. Mus Tournament held on May 27, 1978 at John Ascuaga's Nugget. The winners of this event were José Gamio and Jean Baptiste Veschembes of Bakersfield. John asked that thanks be acknowledged to Nick Fagoaga of Elko and John Ascuaga for their help. Inquiry was made as to the sum raised thus far for the Mus players trip to Europe. It was estimated that a total of \$413. has been received. The tickets from Oakland/Paris, round trip are \$479. each, August 22 to September 13. John asked what would be done if one of the players found himself unable to go at the last minute. Since names cannot be transferred, the persons for whom the reservations are made must go. The problem, for this year, seemed unlikely to present itself.

The delegates were asked to comment on this year's tournament. It was felt the tournament should be two days duration to eliminate playing in the early morning hours. It was also mentioned that two N.A.B.O. events should not be scheduled on the same weekend. As a solution, a recommendation was made to have the member clubs terminate their Mus competitions by April 1, in time for the N.A.B.O. Tournament to be contested during April. Bob Echeverria, speaking for the Elko Club, expressed their thought that the tournament should be held in the home of the previous winners to give a better emphasis. It was also suggested to have a pin or patch designed for the Mus winners to display on their clothes rather than the usual trophy. A proposal that Jacques Unhassobiscay be the Chairman for the Mus players during the Tournament in Biarritz was motioned by John Bastida, seconded by Jim Ithurralde. It was further agreed to have the Mus players dress in uniform displaying the N.A.B.O. emblem.

1979 N.A.B.O. CALENDAR. Ways to improved the N.A.B.O. calendar were sought. Recommendations were as follows: photos of the Mus, European handball players, and music camp should be included; photographs should be of persons in Basque costume; the assistance of artists in the community be looked into as an aid to producing a unique calendar. The 1978 project was not a financial loss for N.A.B.O. In closing, a September 1, 1978 deadline was established for submitting suitable color photographs, dates of club activities for 1979, club information or history, and the total number of calendars each club will be responsible to sell. It was recommended a committee be formed to assist the chairman in selecting photographs.

CERTIFICATES. A Certificate of Membership was presented to a new member organization the Los Banos Basque Club, President, Leon Saldubehere. A Certificate of Honor was awarded to Bob Goicoechea, N.A.B.O.'s legal advisor, for his dedication and loyal service to the North American Basque Organizations.

Following the presentations, the meeting adjourned for lunch.

1979 CONVENTION SITE. Discussion turned to the selection of a location for the 1979 N.A.B.O. Convention. By motion of Jim Ithurralde, seconded by Bob Echeverria, San Francisco was unanimously agreed upon. The San Francisco delegates felt the convention should be a two-day affair and each member club should try to send their dance groups and as many people as they can to lend support to the festival. A definite answer will be given by San Francisco at the November meeting.

A letter from Louis Esenarro, President, Zazpiak-Bat Basque Club, Reno, thanking the delegates for their efforts in furthering the Basque culture was read.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF N.A.B.O. OFFICERS. Nominations were accepted from the floor for the office of President. A nomination for Frank Maitia was made by Bob Echeverria, seconded by Anita Anacabe. John Jaureguito motioned that Janet Inda's name be placed on the ballot. This was seconded by Jim Ithurralde. The Secretary distributed ballots to all voting delegates. The voting eligibility of Ted Ciscar and Timmie Echanis was questioned. By motion of Jim Ithurralde, seconded by Bob Echeverria, both alternate delegates were allowed to cast their ballots. A committee composed of Denise Etcharren, Jim Ithurralde, Bob Goicoechea, and François Bidaurreta counted the ballots. Frank Maitia was thus elected to the office of President.

Since the outgoing President becomes Vice-President, Jacques Unhassobiscay automatically was elected to this office. The office of Secretary will be appointed by the new President, Frank Maitia.

Nominations proceeded for the office of Treasurer. A motion by Jim Ithurralde, seconded by Janet Inda, nominated Vicki Bertz. Bert Aphetsetche nominated Janet Inda. The nomination was seconded by Vicki Bertz. Nominations closed. Ballots were distributed and counted by the committee. Janet Inda was elected Treasurer.

Election of Chairmen ensued. The following persons were elected by unanimous approval: Mus Chairman - Pierre Etcharren; Handball Chairman - François Bidaurreta; Calendar Chairman - Anita Anacabe. A motion following Anita's election as Chairperson was made that she be sanctioned to select a committee of her choice to work on the calendar. Information, 1979 activity dates, color photographs and the number of orders from each member club must be submitted to Anita Anacabe, 416 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89801 by September 1, 1978.

On behalf of N.A.B.O., Jim Ithurralde presented the outgoing officers - Jacques Unhassobiscay, Denise Etcharren and Jo Frances Ansolabehere with plaques for their dedication and service during the past two years. Jacques presented the gavel to the new President, Frank Maitia and in appreciation for having been given the opportunity to serve N.A.B.O., a new North American Basque Organizations flag, designed by Pierre Etcharren, was presented by Jacques. This flag will be taken to Europe to be displayed at the World Championship.

Mike Olano, Vicki Bertz and the Euskaldunak Danak Bat were thanked for their hospitality and excellent preparation of the day's meeting. Having completed all business items listed on the agenda, the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Etcharren

Denise Etcharren, Past Secretary
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MINUTES-~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ MEETING, NOVEMBER 11, 1978

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PRESENT:

FRANK MAITIA, SR., PRESIDENT
JACQUES UNHASSOBISCAY, VICE-PRESIDENT
JANINE MAITIA, SECRETARY
JANET INDA, TREASURER; DELEGATE, RENO
ANITA ANACABE, CALENDAR CHAIRMAN; DELEGATE, ELKO
FRANCOIS BIDAURRETA, HANDBALL CHAIRMAN
PIERRE ETCHARREN, MUS CHAIRMAN; DELEGATE, SAN FRANCISCO
JO FRANCES ANSOLABEHERE, DELEGATE, BAKERSFIELD
BOB ECHEVERRIA, DELEGATE, ELKO
JOHN BASTIDA, DELEGATE, BOISE
NICK BERISTAN, DELEGATE, BOISE
MICHAEL OLANO, DELEGATE, WINNEMUCCA
JEAN LEON IRIBARREN, DELEGATE, SAN FRANCISCO
FRANK PEDEFLOUS, DELEGATE, LOS BANOS
HENRY BACHOC, DELEGATE, CHINO
BERT APHESSETCHE, DELEGATE, CHINO
TONY LACA, GUEST, RENO
MARTIN ETCHEVERRY, DELEGATE, MENLO PARK
JOSEPH BISCAR, DELEGATE, MENLO PARK
JEAN B. ETCHEVERRY, GUEST, MENLO PARK
VICTOR ESAIN, GUEST, FRESNO
NEKANE GIARBIDE, GUEST, BOISE

THE CONVENTION MEETING OF THE NORTH AMERICAN BASQUE ORGANIZATION, INC. HELD ON NOVEMBER 11, 1978 AT RENO, NEVADA WAS CALLED TO ORDER FOLLOWING A BRIEF INTRODUCTION BY THE PRESIDENT.

MINUTES: THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 10, 1978 WERE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A FINANCIAL REPORT WAS DISTRIBUTED BY THE TREASURER TO ALL THE DELEGATES. A FEW ERRORS WERE CLARIFIED FROM THE DELEGATES OF BOISE AND ELKO.

AT THE REQUEST OF JOHN BASTIDA A LETTER OF THANKS WAS SENT TO BOISE-WINNEMUCCA STAGE LINES FOR THEIR DONATION TO THE MUS TOURNAMENT.



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HANDBALL: FRANCOIS BIDAURRETA, HANDBALL CHAIRMAN, GAVE A REPORT ON THE RECENT TRIP THAT N.A.B.O. HANDBALL PLAYERS TOOK TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORLD HANDBALL CHAMPIONSHIP IN BIARRITZ. HE EXPRESS THE SUCCESS OF THE TOUR AND THE WONDERFUL RECEPTION THEY RECEIVED.

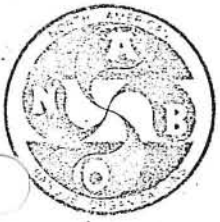
FRANK MAITIA, SR., PRESIDENT, WAS APPROACHED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH FEDERATION REQUESTING FOR N.A.B.O. TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE THAT WOULD COMMUNICATE WITH THE FRENCH FEDERATION, THE INTERNATIONAL HANDBALL CLUB AND MIAMI FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS. FRANK MAITIA, SR. SUGGESTED THAT JACQUES UNHASSOBISCAY WOULD BE THE MAN BEST FOR THE JOB. MOTIONED BY JOHN BATISDA AND SECONDED BY BOB ECHEVERRIA.

* MUS: PIERRE ETCHARREN, MUS CHAIRMAN, GAVE HIS REPORT ON THE RECENT TOUR OF OUR CHAMPION MUS PLAYER. HE WENT ON TO EXPLAIN SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THEY HAD WITH RULES WHEN PLAYING AGAINST FRENCH OR SPANISH MUS PLAYERS IN ORDER TO AVOID THESE PROBLEMS IF THEY EVER COME TO THIS COUNTRY TO PLAY. HE ALSO EXPRESS THE SUCCESS OF THE TOUR AND THE WONDERFUL RECEPTION THEY RECEIVED.

PROXY VOTE: FOLLOWING A DISCUSSION ON PROXY VOTE A MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUES UNHASSOBISCAY THAT ONE DELEGATE MUST BY PRESENT AND WITH AN AGENDA, MAILED TO THE CLUBS PRIOR TO THE CONVENTION, MAY BRING A PROXY VOTE, SECONDED BY JOHN BATISDA. A LETTER WAS SENT TO MRS. GRACE MAINVIL EXPLAINING THIS DECISION SINCE IT WAS ON THE AGENDA AT HER REQUEST.

NEKANE OIARBIDE: MS. OIARBIDE REPRESENTS A GROUP OF BASQUE DANCERS CALLED ARGIA. SHE HAS ASKED N.A.B.O. IF WE WOULD GIVE HER GROUP FINANCIAL SUPPORT ONCE THEY HAVE ARRIVED IN THE UNITED STATES. N.A.B.O. AND THE BASQUE CLUBS AROUND THE COUNTRY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR TRANSPORTATION, LODGING EXPENSES, PERFORMANCES, AND PUBLICITY. THE GROUP WOULD PERFORM IN EACH CITY THAT THEY VISITED. BOB ECHEVERRIA MADE A MOTION THAT MISS OIARBIDE PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE AMOUNT OF HOW MUCH IT WOULD COST FOR THE GROUP TO TRAVEL FROM CITY TO CITY IN TURN THE DELEGATES WOULD TAKE THESE FIGURES BACK TO THEIR CLUBS AND A DECISION WOULD BE MADE AT THE MARCH MEETING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY FRANK PEDLEFOUS. THE DELEGATES AGREED IF THEIR CLUBS WERE IN FAVOR TO SUPPORT THE GROUP THEY WOULD COME IN THE SPRING OF 1980.

Decision? (united)



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NEWSPAPER: ALL DELEGATES ARE IN MUCH FAVOR OF HAVING A NEWSPAPER BUT NO ONE PERSON OR CLUB WANTS TO TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITIES OF HANDLING IT. JOHN BASTIDA MENTIONED THAT WE NEED SOMEONE THAT WILL BE VERY DEDICATED TO THIS PROJECT. ALSO THERE WAS A DISCUSSION OF THE EXPENSES OF WHOM WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE, THE CLUBS OR N.A.B.O.. VICKI BERTZ VOLUNTEER TO CHECK INTO IT. IT WILL FURTHER DISCUSSED AT THE MARCH CONVENTION.

WOODCHOPPING: JANET INDA SUGGESTED IF N.A.B.O. COULD HAVE A CAMP TO TEACH YOUNG BOYS HOW TO CHOP WOOD. BOB MOTIONED THAT THEY TAKE THE IDEA BACK TO THEIR CLUBS AND SEE IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED AND PUT IT ON THE MARCH MEETING AGENDA. SECONDED BY BERT. THE AGE WOULD BE FOR YOUNG BOYS 16 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

MARCH CONVENTION: BOB ECHEVERRIA MOTIONED THAT THE MARCH CONVENTION BE HELD IN ELKO, SECONDED BY JANET INDA FOR MARCH 10, 1979.

CALENDARS: ANITA ANACABE GAVE A REPORT ON THE DESCRIPTION OF THE 1979 CALENDARS.

1979 CONVENTION: THE SITE FOR 1979 CONVENTION WILL BE SAN FRANCISCO ON AUGUST 25 AND 26, 1979. SAN FRANCISCO DELEGATES SUGGESTED THAT EACH CLUB SHOULD TRY TO SEND A DANCE GROUP OR A MUSIC GROUP TO THE FESTIVAL. EACH CLUB WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN EXPENSES. THEY ALSO URGE ALL THE DELEGATES TO ATTEND AND BRING GUESTS TO THIS TWO DAYS EVENT.

SOUND ON SLIDE: JANET INDA SHOWED SLIDES ON THE ESKULDUNAK BASQUE OF THE AMERICAN WEST A N.A.B.O. PROJECT. JANET EXPLAINED THE TIME AND WORK THAT IS INVOLVED INTO THIS PROJECT. ANY OF THE CLUBS ARE WELCOME TO USE THESE SLIDES.

HAVING THANKED THE ZAZPIAK-BAT BASQUE CLUB FOR THEIR HOSPITALITY THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Janine Maitia Araneta

JANINE MAITIA ARANETA, SECRETARY
NORTH AMERICAN BASQUE ORGANIZATION, INC.