

Contra Costa Hills Club
Virtual Board Meeting
November 14, 2025

The November board meeting was held virtually through Zoom. President Stew Perlman called the meeting to order at 10:07am.

Board Members present: Mike Branning, Mindy Svorny-Moore, Suzy Mark, Lucy Perdichizzi, Jim Baranowski, Rosemary Johnson, Stew Perlman, Roland Hebert, Connie Gee

Committee Member present:

Absent: Helen Wong Johe, Cameron Mitchell

Minutes Approved: October 10, 2025 minutes: Moved, seconded . Motion carried.

President's Report:

As October flows into November, there are a variety of wonderful hikes scheduled through December. The color of autumn, cooler days, and less daylight inform us that there is a change of season. Please remember to send your check to Lucy Perdichizzi if you will be coming to the annual Holiday Luncheon, December 10.

I want to thank Karen Arntzen for leading the December 18 hike around Lafayette Reservoir in memory of our beloved Patricia Derickson as Georgette Armstrong, Lynne Vogensen, and Ed Osada assist. Remember to bring a birdseed bell as we decorate a specific tree along the way. After the hike, we will have lunch and fondly re- member Patricia, without a doubt one of the kindest and sweetest persons I have ever known. I also want to thank Suzy Mark for taking over the position of Corresponding Secretary, Patricia's longtime responsibility performed with utmost care and sincerity. This means that the Board needs a member to step up and join the Board as a Board Director. Please get in touch with Cameron Mitchell, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, or me. In case you have forgotten or don't know, the Board meets remotely through Zoom the second Friday of the month at 10:00am. Your responsibility is to share your thoughts and opinions to help the Club as issues and concerns evolve. And, of course, my gratitude to those of you who have led hikes recently, to those hike leaders who will lead hikes through the last quarter and those of you who generously volunteer your time and effort on behalf of the Club. Lastly, I want to wish all of you a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving. See you on the trail.

Stew Perlman

Note: The addition of Roland Hebert fills our board of directors. Thanks to Roland for volunteering.

Vice-President's Report: Need hike leaders for winter months. Desperately!!

Membership: We have two new members this month and one of them wants to attend our Holiday Luncheon. Our count is 198 (paid 191 plus 7 Honorary).

Bills:

Connie Gee 27.30 mailing newsletter

Conservation Requests:

1. California Oaks foundation \$150
2. Bay Area Ridge Trail \$100
3. John Muir land trust for \$400.

Motion to pay bills, seconded. Motion carried.

Conservation requests bringing treats in something other than plastic. Not mandatory to bring treats...to be decided between leader and co-leader.

Treasurer's Report: Cameron is traveling!!! Suzy reported.

Total Funds as of October 31, 2025 \$ 44,402.69

Corresponding Secretary: 2 cards sent by Suzy Mark.

Old Business: Create some ad hoc committee for deciding what archives we are keeping. Noël is point person. Tabled until December when Noël will be here. Another resource mentioned by Jim, Contra Costa County Historical Society might be interested in keeping the archives.

New Business:

Patricia has coffee urn, orange box. Patricia also has 4 drawer chest for storing archives? If anyone wants it, contact Stew.

Toys for Tots: Lucy spearheaded the project, posted on groups.io. Headquarters in San Bruno...sending one or 2 Marines to Holiday Luncheon to collect new, unwrapped toys (biggest need for girls and boys ages 11-17). Lucy to see if gift cards are acceptable for older age group.

Rosemary suggested a luncheon for board only, in person, once a year. Mindy has offered to host a potluck at her home.

Announcements:

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 10:42am. Moved, seconded. Carried unanimously.

Next Virtual Meeting: December 12, 2025 at 10:00am

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy Svorny-Moore, Recording Secretary