

## Minutes of the Board Meeting of Tuesday, August 26, 2025

This meeting was held at the Holiday Inn North Oxnard

Officers Present	Officers Absent
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ John Zaruka, President</li> <li>❖ Cynthia Torres, President-Elect</li> <li>❖ Josh Carsman, Immediate Past-President</li> <li>❖ Hugh McManigal, Immediate Past-President</li> <li>❖ Marty Moss, Treasurer</li> <li>❖ Gary Davis, Secretary</li> </ul>	

Directors Present	Directors Absent
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Guests Present
none

- I. This meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by President John Zaruka. A quorum for the meeting was declared.
- II. Motion (Jack) / Second (Sam) Passed 11-0: That the minutes of the Board meeting of July 8, 2025, be approved as presented.
- III. The current agenda was approved as presented with no recommendations for new topics under “New Business” or any changes in the order of presentation.
- IV. Club Administration
  - A. Club president’s messages and updates:
    1. John encouraged Board and club members to attend the October 17-19 District 5240 Conference to be held at the Ventura Crowne Plaza Hotel. The “early bird” registration rate of \$250 is good until September 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion (Gary) / Second (Suki) / Passed 11-0: that the club will reimburse members attending the District Conference 50% of their “early bird” registration fee.
    2. The date and plans for the District Governor’s visit are still to be determined.
    3. It was agreed to continue the consideration of approval of the *Bylaws* and *Continuing Resolutions* for the Rotary Club of West Ventura County until the September Board meeting. Before that meeting, Board members are asked to review the proposed *Bylaws* and *Continuing Resolutions* and send to Secretary Gary any recommended changes or additions. He will then compile this input into one final document to be considered for approval at the September Board meeting.
  - B. Membership
    1. It was noted that prospective members David Aviles and Matt Meyring were approved for membership by the Board via email vote.
    2. A special “orientation to Rotary” meeting will be held at the home of Cindy Kroeger on September 18<sup>th</sup> from approximately 7:00-8:30 p.m. The newly inducted club members and their sponsors will be asked to attend.

3. Motion (Gary) / Second (Hugh) / Passed 11-0: That, with regrets but appreciation for his many years of Rotary service, the Board accepts the resignation of Peter Higgins from active membership but welcomes Peter as an Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of West Ventura County.
  4. Motion (Gary) / Second (Jack) / Passed 11-0: That, with regrets but appreciation for her many years of Rotary service, the Board accepts the resignation of Marta Golding Brown from the Rotary Club of West Ventura County.
  5. It was suggested that a Rotary membership booth might be set up at the upcoming Banana Festival (September 27<sup>th</sup>) and at the Santa to the Sea event.
  6. Jack overviewed a handout focusing on “premier memberships” or “tiered memberships.” He was asked to work with Treasurer Marty and develop a final proposal for consideration of the Board at the September meeting.
- C. Treasurer’s Report: Marty overviewed the proposed Operational Budget for the club’s 2025-26 Rotary year. He asked Board members to contact him with any questions or recommendations regarding the proposed budget. Motion (Sam) / Second (Cynthia) / Passed 11-0: That the Treasurer’s report be accepted.
- D. Avenues of Service
1. Club Service: Cindy reported the attendance count for the September 1<sup>st</sup> “Pool Party.”
  2. Website and ClubRunner: Discussion was held regarding the activation of and access to these communications sites. Until full activation is resolved, members are asked to send documents and photos to Josh, who will work with Melanie. A progress report is to be given at the next Board meeting regarding both the club’s website and ClubRunner.
  3. Cindy provided a handout updating the Board on the Ventura South Rotary Foundation.
- E. New Business: Cynthia presented a proposal for co-sponsoring a partnership event, “Thrive Together: A Community Fundraising Celebration,” for the Rotary Club of West Ventura County and City Impact. Cynthia was asked to present this proposal to the club’s Foundation Board.
- V. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

**The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 23, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn North Oxnard.**

Topics for Future Consideration:

- ✓ Plan for District Governor’s visit
- ✓ Decide Teacher Recognition events for 2025-26
- ✓ Approval of *Bylaws*
- ✓ Approval of *Continuing Resolutions*
- ✓ Recommendations for new members
- ✓ Consideration of Premier and Tiered memberships
- ✓ Reports from the Avenues of Service Chairpersons

**Rotary Club of West Ventura County – Membership @ 8-31-2025**

1. David Aviles	18. Brant Gerckens	35. Marty Moss	Honorary Members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jaimene Nichols, Faculty Advisor – Interact Club of Pacifica HS</li> <li>• Sara Tauber, Faculty Advisor – Interact Club of St. Bonaventure HS</li> <li>• Marie Frick</li> <li>• Peter Higgins</li> </ul>
2. Peter Barry	19. Kelton (Lee) Gibson	36. Patrick Mullin	
3. Lalaine Braime	20. Valeria Gonzalez	37. Bert Partida	
4. Robert Braitman	21. Juan Guerrero	38. John Pollock	
5. Sondra Briggs	22. Oscar Hernandez	39. Michael Reese	
6. Lawrence Bushey	23. Alan Kosh	40. Jaclynn Sanchez	
7. Josh Carsman	24. Cindy Kroeger	41. Suki Sir	
8. Daniel Cervantes	25. Rob Leatherwood	42. Juan Soto	

9. Rosanna Colin	26. Dennis Longwill	43. Mark Spellman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ellen Honorico</li> <li>• Larry Matheney</li> <li>• John Mattina</li> <li>• Erik Nasarenko</li> <li>• Melody Thurman</li> <li>• Sandy Warren</li> <li>• Linda Zaruka</li> </ul>
10. Rich Cooper	27. Pete Marcus	44. Cynthia Torres	
11. Melanie Cota	28. Kendall Mattina	45. Paul VanAcker	
12. Gary Davis	29. Thomas McClain	46. Kendall VanConas	
13. Robert Davis	30. Tom McCoy	47. Kirsti Vomund	
14. Davina DeCant	31. Hugh McManigal	48. Bonaventure Wakam	
15. Ana DeGenna	32. Samuel Monroe	49. Anita Zamora	
16. Tracy Eriks	33. Emma Morata	50. John Zaruka	
17. Ralph Garcia	34. Diane Moss	51. Stacy Zaruka	

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