

OHCC Travel Club BoD Meeting Minutes 6-3-25

OHCC Travel Club Board of Directors

President, Adele Siesel; Treasurer/Membership, Lynn Opelka; Secretary, Amy Blount; Director, Jeannine Ferrari; Director, Callie Dean

President Adele Siesel called the meeting to order at 10:00 am in the Clubhouse Sewing Room. Board members present: Amy Blount and Jeannine Ferrari which represents a quorum.

The minutes of the May 13, 2025 Board Meeting were approved as read prior by email. Adele made a motion to approve the minutes and Jeannine 2nd it. It was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Sent to Adele by Lynn

The Dues Account is \$4,030.78; Spendable Trips Account is \$5,003.80; Membership is 255.

Trips and Events paid by members

4 th of July Hornblower cruise	50, 8 on waitlist	Budget \$8,500
Pageant of the Masters 8/13/25	50, only 48 tickets; 2 on waitlist	Budget \$7,000
Warriors & Cars 9/18/25	25	Budget \$6,500
Jungle Bells 12/22/25		

Jenneane proposed a Budget for Jungle Bells not to exceed \$5,000. Adele 2nd it. And it was approved unanimously.

Old Business

Adele and Jeannine went to Laughlin to check out the town and Riverside Resort. Laughlin as become a real town now and even has a Costco! They finally caught up with the group manager, Gwendolyn. Adele would like to make a contract for 15 rooms double occupancy at \$259/3 nights/room double occupancy. The dates are November 5-8. This Includes a \$15 credit for food or bowling per person but not gambling.

We would leave between 8 and 9 am and arrive 3ish. Next day we would take the bus to Oatman and spend about 4 hours. At the Resort there is a 90-minute river cruise, bingo, two car museums, a movie theater, swimming pool, gym and several restaurants. There is a Balloon Fiesta beginning on Friday the 7th. Gates open at 5:30am, so we would leave the resort about 4:45am. We would return 12:30ish. The temperature in November is in the 80s. We would leave Saturday morning.

Adele and Jeannine had a lot of fun. The town is very family friendly. Adele will request 5 handicap rooms (walk in showers) All rooms with a view. All have double queen beds.

Jeannine made a motion to set up a trip to Laughlin for \$680/person Nov 5-8, 15 rooms. Amy 2nd it and it was approved unanimously.

Debrief of Reagan Library and Dead Sea Scrolls trip. The only feedback Adele has received was that people were happy and compliments to Jim on handling the situation with the nail in the tire. Jeannine said she and other passengers at the back of the bus could not hear what Adele was saying. It was thought that Lynn should include a note for trip attendees to bring their own phone chargers in her eblast right before each trip.

Programs, Meetings and Trips were discussed.

New Business

Regarding the use of the Poster Board in the club house, Julie emailed Adele that it cannot be used for outside trips. We can have one for a lecture in Ocean Hills. Adele will speak to Julie about this.

The Monarch Butterfly Club was discussed and Adele's role in this.

Open Discussion

General Programs & Meetings

October 14, 2025 – General Meeting, Program and Elections. A possibility that Adele will present on her Churchill Polar Bear trip. OR perhaps a question-and-answer session about the club, trips etc. Callie will handle the elections. Doors will open at 6:30, meeting begins at 7pm. We will have the usual snacks.

Trip Ideas and Plans

June – No trip planned by BoD agreement

July 4, 2025 – Hornblower Cruise to see fireworks in San Diego Bay. The final deposit is due June 13 along with the final count. Adele increased the number of tickets to 50 with no additional deposit required. The final balance has been paid \$2,862. **This is sold out.** Adele will give the Hungry Bear the final number soon. Adele will verify that the price is \$14/box and it includes sandwiches, chips, water and a cookie.

August 13, 2025 – Pageant of the Masters. Judy Harris will lead. The close date is July 30, 2025. **This is sold out.** Judy asked Adele if we wanted her to do this next year. Adele said yes.

September 18, 2025 – Warriors and Cars. Tour the Marconi Automotive Museum in Tustin. We need to arrive by 9am and have two hours to tour. This is a private museum that raises funds for children's projects. The Bowers Museum is where we will tour the Terracotta Warriors from China. There is an outdoor food court about 2 miles (The District at Tustin Legacy) from the Marconi where people will lunch on their own. The bus will depart at 7:30am. The price is \$130/person.

November 5-8, 2025 – Motorcoach trip to Laughlin. See Old Business for details.

December 22, 2025 – San Diego Zoo Jungle Bells. Friday December 19, 2025 through Sunday January 4, 2026 except December 24 & 25. All sorts of decorations, food, music and holiday cheer is available. The Zoo lights up the night until 8pm. We will leave here at 1pm arriving at 2pm and leave at 8pm. If we make a reservation, it would be around \$65 pp. This covers all day from 9am to 8pm and includes a bus tour and sky tram. The bus is ~\$2000. Dining options are snack food or Alberts which closes at 3:30 pm. People are on their own for lunch/dinner. We will charge one price whether people have memberships or

not. Dec 22 or 29. Cost may be ~\$165. **UPDATE:** Callie reserved 25 tickets for Monday December 22, 2025.

2026 Activities and Functions

January Kick Off

February, we had planned a visit to the Safari Park to see the new Elephant Valley but construction is behind so we will try in February 2027 (seniors receive free admission.)

March, a possible trip to the LA fashion district, Jewelry district, Flower mart and/or Santee Alley. Lunch at the Grand Central Market. This would require lots of walking. Perhaps include the Sewing and Garden Clubs.

April – August, Pantages Theater show. It would be a matinee followed by dinner at Lowry's in Beverly Hills. (Oo La La.) Three options are Tina, Michael Jackson or Phantom of the Opera with dinner at Lowry's afterwards. Lynn can send out an email blast to members asking which show would they prefer.

Italy in Oceanside – Have the Bocce Club teach us how to play Bocce, have an Italian lunch at OHCC and a mini-Olympics with prizes. Jackie from Bocce said a court can hold 40 people.

Jim Bible, Lynn's husband, asked Adele about a Padres game and lunch or dinner.

Next TC BoD Meeting

The next meeting is on July 1, 2025, 1pm in the Sewing Club Room.

There was no further business, and the Meeting was adjourned at 11:24am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Amy Blount, Secretary

June 3, 2025

Distribution: Board Members