

OHCC Travel Club BoD Meeting Minutes 11-4-25

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 12:10 pm at her home. Board members present: Lynn Opelka, Amy Blount, Jeannine Ferrari, Callie Dean. Invited guests, Judy Harris and Rosemary Bray.

The minutes of the October 7, 2025 Board Meeting were approved as corrected prior by email. Jeannine made a motion to approve the minutes, which was 2nd by Adele. It was approved unanimously.

The minutes of the October 14, 2025 General Meeting and Elections were approved as corrected prior by email. Callie made a motion to approve the minutes which was 2nd by Jeannine. It was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

The Dues Account is \$3,621.23; Spendable Trips Account is \$5,511.97; Membership is 261

Trips and Events paid by members

Jungle Bells 12/22/25	29 paid	Budget \$5,000
Kick-Off 1/20/26		Budget \$1,000
Balboa Park 2/19/26	19 paid with 2 more possible	Budget \$3,000

Lynn proposed a budget of \$8,000 for the Hornblower Cruise on the bay for the 4th of July. Adele 2nd it and it was approved unanimously.

Lynn proposed a budget of \$6000 for Pageant of the Masters. Adele 2nd it and it was approved unanimously.

Old Business

Debrief of the General Meeting/Elections of October 14, 2025. There were no comments.

Laughlin was cancelled but Adele is still fielding calls from interested members to book!

We officially are cancelling Phantom in July 2026 so Adele will call them to have the \$708 deposit reimbursed.

New Business

Due Dues Day is Saturday, January 10, 9-1 or 10-2. We need a volunteer schedule and perhaps purchase a banner. Adele has examples in the agenda. Adele, Callie & Lynn will be there. Adele will update the flyer with 2026 trips.

We sampled food from North Park Produce, Gyros, Ground Chicken Kabob, Chicken Skewers, flat bread and a salad. We agreed it was delicious and a good choice for the January 2026 Kick-Off.

Amy will put the AFC Vacations NYC flyer in the Clubhouse rack in January.

General Programs & Meetings

Trip Ideas and Plans

December 22, 2025 – Jungle Bells. Callie has reserved a total of 50 tickets. Experience the magic and spirit of the holiday season. Dinner on your own at the park. \$150 per person. Two people only paid \$5 and Lynn returned their Checks. Adele booked a table for 10 at 5:45. Callie also has reservations for 10.

2026 Activities and Functions

Things to consider, the early departure, activity level, and cost.

January 20 Kick-Off – Rosemary Bray will reprise her Rhino Lecture. We will order food from North Park Produce near the new Sketchers. It will be ~\$300 for 25 people. We will charge \$15pp for members and \$20pp for non-members. Adele will make a flyer to be put in the Clubhouse rack. Lynn will make note of the price and food in the November notes eblast. Rosemary will take some flyers to the Newbies club at their December event. Order and pay for the food seven days prior to the event, January 13. Doors will open at 5:30. Dinner 6-7. Lecture at 7. The board and volunteers will receive travel bucks in addition to the raffle for a total of 16 to be printed.

February 19 - Balboa Park Architectural Tour including the renovated Botanical Garden and Lily Pond. They prefer to have groups of 15 so Jeannine will work on this with the badges. We plan to arrive at 9am for a 9:30 -11 tour, 11-12 tour on your own, 12:30-2pm Lunch at the Old Town Mexican Café (they need one week's notice) with 2-3pm on your own in Old Town. We perused the menu and Lynn will email members their choices for the lunch once the trip is a go. We will depart 3:15-3:30 for Ocean Hills. The voluntary docent fee will be ~\$200 (in cash.) The cost is \$140pp.

March Perhaps do a Temecula Wine Tour. Including lunch. Wilson winery is a possibility. Or whale watching or Pechanga Casino for a Chocolate Decadence and Wine festival on March 7. The festival to benefit Habitat for Humanity.

April 29 – Padres vs Cubs at Petco Park. It's a Wednesday. It will be ~\$153/person not including lunch. Adele will put a \$500 deposit down so we have a better chance of getting seats together. Adele needs to talk with Jim Bible to coordinate this.

May 7 – A program with Adele presenting on her Polar Bear Trip. Rosemary can help Adele put this together. Joe Ashby and Dee Wardell could be a backup to present on their round the world cruise. Or the Alpine Raptor Center will bring out an animal ambassador.

Adele will be out of the country May 21 to June 15.

June – we will skip.

July 19, Sunday – Phantom is cancelled as not enough interest shown during the October 14 General Meeting.

Plan B July 4 – Big Bay Boom viewing from the Hornblower which is the USA's 250th Anniversary. ~\$185. Adele committed to 30 tickets.

August 4 – Tuesday, Pageant of the Masters. Judy Harris bought 36 ticket \$3,132.00 on the side, loge section. The bus is reserved. \$1,940. The theme is Greatest of All Time artwork. Judy will purchase more later.

Other possibilities

Aquarium of the Pacific with lunch at Bubba Gumps + harbor cruise?

Next TC BoD Meeting

The next meeting is on December 2, 2025, 1pm in the Sewing Club Room.

There was no further business, and the Meeting was adjourned at 1:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Amy Blount, Secretary
November 9, 2025
Distribution: Board Members