

**FINAL MINUTES
House of Spain,
Casa de España,
in San Diego
Meeting
Board of Directors
April 7th, 2024**



Officers		Members of the Board			
President	Jesús Benayas	X	Maruja Williams	X	
Vice President	Pedro Romón Díaz		Ana Ocampo	X	
Secretary	Ignacio de Castro Pérez	X	Rebollar		
Treasurer	María José Marmanillo	X	Ignacio Vázquez	X	
			Riesgo		
			David	X	
			Buenaventura		
			Madi Dearie	X	
			Paola Hornbuckle	X	
			Sergeant-at-Arms Henry Herms		X

1. The President called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

2. Approval of today's agenda.

David Buenaventura made a motion to approve the agenda.

María José Marmanillo seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

3. Proxies

Pedro Romón sent his proxy to the President and Secretary

4. Approval of 3/10/2024 BOD meeting minutes:

Maruja Williams made a motion to approve the February 11th, 2024 minutes as presented.

Ana Ocampo seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

5. President's Report: The President reported the following:

- Ethnic Food Festival date has been changed. Potential new date: May 4th, 2024
- Cabrillo National Monument has a new Superintendent: Chris Rodríguez starting April 21st, 2024
- Spanish Navy Ship Elcano visit: most Board members will attend
- Nina Yguerabide has formally received the Honorary Member Award. Thank you Nina!
- The President invited the new Spanish Ambassador, Ángeles Moreno Bau to the casita
- The President opened the casita to multiple groups of school students
- Feria de Abril shopping

6. Vice president's report. No physical report. The President reported that the Vice President had been involved in finding a cleaner for the casita and in helping with the Elcano visit

7. Secretary's report. No physical report. The Secretary responded to email correspondence.

8. Treasurer's Report: No questions regarding the Treasurer's report.

9.a. General Report

Checking account \$2,968.95

High Yield Savings \$ 22,126.28

Fidelity Investments \$ 250,251.92

Total \$ 275,347.15

9. HPR report. There is no report as this meeting is being held before the HPR one.

11. Committee Reports.

11.1 Volunteers event on March 16th. The event went well, thank you to all of those who helped, especially Maruja and Bob Williams

11.2 Feria de Abril on Saturday April 13th, 2024

- a. Flier is done and sent over email by the Secretary
- b. 3 to 4 paellas to be cooked at the event
- c. Further logistics were discussed (set up and break down, dancers, etc.)

11.3 Calendar of events for 2024 (Thank you Nina):

- a. April 13th (Feria de Abril)
- b. May 4th (Ethnic Food Festival). Potential date.
- c. Fourth of July
- d. September 21st (Latino Festival)
- e. 12 October (Día de la Hispanidad/Fiesta Nacional)
- f. December 6 & 7 ICF

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ignacio de Castro Pérez
Secretary, House of Spain

Minutes approved by the Board of Directors on May 5th, 2024.

Motions for HoS Board meeting on April 7th, 2024:

- 1. David Buenaventura made a motion to approve the agenda.
María José Marmanillo seconded the motion.
The motion passed.**
- 2. Maruja Williams made a motion to approve the February 11th, 2024 minutes as presented.
Ana Ocampo seconded the motion.
The motion passed.**