NABO MEETING

Reno, Nevada

Center for Basque Studies - UNR

November 16, 2002

President Pierre Etcharren called the meeting to order at 8:20a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The following delegates, guests, and chairpersons were present:

<u>Club</u> <u>Delegate</u>

Fresno Basque Club Josephine Arriet

Antonio Campos

Boise Euzkaldunak, Inc. Tony Eiguren

Ricardo Yanci

Oinkari Basque Dancers Johnny Aldape

Alicia Dennis

Basque Museum & Cultural Center Patty Miller

Barry Bumgarner

Alkartasuna SW Basque Club Martin Goicoechea

Pedro Amarika

Center for Basque Studies-UNR Kate Camino

Gloria Totricaguena

Elko Basque Club Bob Echeverria

Reno Basque Club Ken Barrenchea

Mendiko Euskaldun Club Frances Pedroarena

Jesus Pedroarena

Lagun Onak Basque Club Argia Beristain

Euskaldunak Danak Bat Miguel Olano

SF Basque Cultural Center Nicole Hauscarriague

Xabier Berrueta

San Francisco Basque Club Philippe Acheritogaray

Valerie Arrechea

Ontario Basque Club Grace Mainvil

Lisa Corcostegui

Basque Club of Utah Mary Gaztambide

Jean Gaztambide

Ventura Basque Club Jose L. Urrutia

Society of Basque Studies Ramon Cengotitabengoa

Emilia Doyaga

Euzko Etxea of New York Anna Aguirre

Anaitasuna Basque Club Gina Espinal

Jose Zalba

Chino Basque Club John Ysursa

Seattle Euskal Etxea Argia Beristain

Jean Enoz

<u>COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS</u> <u>OFFICERS</u>

Video-Jesus Pedroarena President-Pierre Etcharren

Euskara-Martin Goicoechea V-President-Bob Echeverria

Udaleku-Valerie Arrechea V-President-Mary Gaztambide

Culture/Hizketa-John Ysursa Treasurer-Grace Mainvil

Mus-Victor Esain Secretary-Esther Bidaurreta

GUESTS

Ignacia Goicolea

Sara Velez Mallea

Cathleen Acheritogaray

Franxoa Bidaurreta - USFP

Joseba Zulaika - CBS

Joxe Mallea - CBS

Louie Uranga - Txoko Ona of Treasure Valley

Tony Uranga - Txoko of Treasure Valley

Elena Sommer – Zazpiak Bat, Vancouver, Canada

Amaya Ormaechea - Zazpiak Bat, Vancouver, Canada

PROXIES

The following proxies were submitted: A.T. Anacabe Franzoia to Bob Echeverria;

Mary Lou Urrutia to Ken Barrenchea

WELCOME

Joseba Zulaika, Director for the Center for Basque Studies – UNR welcomed everyone to the first every NABO meeting at the Center.

Pierre Etcharren welcomed guests from the Vancou	ver, Canada Basque Club.
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MINUTES

Motion was made by Frances Pedroarena to approve the minutes as submitted and was seconded by Tony Eiguren. All voted in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Grace Mainvil provided a copy of a detailed treasurer's report to all delegates. The president asked the delegates to review the report during the meeting. Questions and discussion would take place at the end of the meeting.

EUSKARA

Martin Goicoechea reported that the program is coming along. A written report was submitted to the delegates. Philippe Acheritogaray reported that the technical challenges are being worked out and the application seems to be stable at the present time. Encouraged establishing language programs in clubs as this is what identifies a person most as Basque. More complete workshops will be offered July, 2003.

MUS

The 2002 International Tournament was a memorable event. Victor needs tournament results from each club as soon as winners are determined. NABO Tournament will be 5/31/03 in San Francisco hosted by the Anaitasuna. The International Tournament 2003 will be held in Mar del Plata, Argentina, the last 2 weeks of October. Youth tournaments are strongly encouraged within the clubs.

UDALEKU

San Francisco will host the 2003 camp the last 2 weeks of June. HABE program will be incorporated into the camp. Tony Eiguren made a motion that the tuition remain at \$150.00 per attendee. Seconded by Jean Gaztambide. Passed unanimously. During the 2002 Gaztemundu, NABO representatives invited dance directors to send participants from their respective countries to Udaleku. Steve Barrenchena made a motion to waive tuition to participants from other countries. Seconded by Ricardo Yanci. Passed unanimously. Dance directors were also invited to attend the Udaleku to learn how one might be run in their respective countries. Valerie reported that the poxpolins are in short supply and that we need to research price and availability. John Ysursa made a motion to do whatever is necessary to get the poxpolins. Seconded by Nicole Hauscarriague. Passed unanimously.

BASQUE GOVERNMENT

Benan Oregi was present as the representative from the Basque government. This year's delegation from the US was the largest ever to Gaztemundu. The grant application is improving and the paperwork is being submitted more correctly.

A letter from Josu Legarreta was read regarding the World Congress and Gaztemundu, 2003. This year from July 7 to 13, Gaztemudu will be held and the World Congress will be held July 14 –19. The Basque government is looking for youth that are very involved in their respective Basque clubs for Gaztemundu. The main subject for the World Congress will be "Youth and the future of the Basque Clubs."

A virtual Basque government weekly bulletin in English is being considered. This will be sent per email. Benan requested input from NABO to help locate a person that is living in the Basque country to help work with this bulletin. Email info to Benan-oregi@ej-gv.es

CULTURAL/INTERNATIONAL/SONG BOOK/WEBSITE/FONTS

John Ysursa provided a written report. International Day of Euskara will be 12/03/02. The Basque Hall of Fame will be held 12/07/03. Individual clubs need to keep John updated for any changes to website information. Links to Basque shopping are now on the NABO website.

Bizi Emankorra – John asked delegates to think about how NABO should nominate candidates. Decision will need to be made at the San Francisco meeting to organize the event for the convention.

Powerpoint presentation was made by Lisa Corcostegui about the 2002 Gaztemundu.

Gaztemundu, 2003: After intense discussion, Bob Echeverria made a motion that NABO not participate in the selection process for Gaztemundu candidates. Seconded by Frances Pedroarena. Passed unanimously.

World Congress, 2003: After lengthy discussion, Bob Echeverria made a motion to table discussion. Seconded by Jesus Pedroarena. Passed unanimously. Bob then made a motion to open nominations for NABO delegates for the World Congress. These nominations will be voted on by secret ballot at the next NABO meeting. Seconded by Alicia Dennis. Passed unanimously.

Sociological survey: The Basque government has requested a sociological survey of youth in the NABO clubs. Valerie Arrechea made a motion to ask Cathy Petrissans to do the survey and that her trip to the World Congress would be paid so that she can present the survey if she were not selected as a Congress delegate. Seconded by Frances Pedroarena. Passed. Each club will help to collect survey information.

VIDEO

No activity since last report.

KANTARI EGUNA

It will be held August 9, 2003 in conjunction with the picnic. Please support and inform the club members.

PELOTA

Xabier Berrueta reported for Pilota Chairman, Maurice Negueloua. The NABO Finals were being played on this date in Bakersfield. Players from Chino, Bakersfield & San Francisco clubs participated in the 2002 Mundials. Ten of the fourteen specialties were

represented. The International Pan Am Games will be held August 1 – 15, 2003 in the Dominican Republic .

As secretary of the United States Federation of Pilota, he made an invitation to all NABO based clubs with frontons to the annual Federation meeting to be held in January as the subject on their agenda will be to discuss the future of pilota.

Xabier made a motion for the 2003 NABO Pilota finals to be held in San Francisco in September. Seconded by Valerie Arrechea. Passed unanimously.

CALENDAR

Grace Mainvil reported for Mary Lou Urrutia that the calendars were ready for pickup.

BERTSU BOOK

Joxe Mallea reported that a tentative title has been selected – Bertsulariak en Par – Amerika: Shooting from the Lip. There will be 2 volumes. Volume 1 – 863 typed pages of improvised poetry. Should be available by May, 2003.

Volume 2 will be dedicated to composed poetry. Most of the material will be dedicated to Pedro Juan Etchamendi. Production of the second volume will be held until we see the results of the first book.

Funding is on track and Martin feels that by the time the book is out the money will be available.

Bob Echeverria made a motion that the president and treasurer working with Martin be prepared to cover any shortfall to cover book expenses as the next meeting will be in February. Seconded by Frances Pedroarena. Passed unanimously.

HIGH DESERT MUSEUM

The exhibit is at the Boise Museum . The project has been successful. The book has yielded \$2,000.00 in profit.

CENTER FOR BASQUE STUDIES

Researchers from the Center gave short presentations of the their work.

TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVAL

Josephine Arriet made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as printed. Seconded by Johnny Xabier Berrueta. Passed unanimously.

OPEN/NEW BUSINESS

The Society of Basque Studies will held its 22nd Annual Hall of Fame on 12/07/02 in Chino , California . Honorees are: Bert Aphessetche, Josephine Arriet, Isidor Camou, and Martxell Tillous.

The Txoko Ona of Treasure Valley presented an application for membership. A committee (Bob Echeverria, Gloria Totoricaguena and Patty Miller) was established to review their application during the break and make their recommendation. Upon their recommendation, Bob Ecehverria made a motion to accept the club into NABO. Seconded by Patty Miller. Passed unanimously.

Philippe Acheritogaray reported that there is a video recap available of the 2002 NABO convention for sale – VHS (set of 2) for \$35.00 and DVD set for \$25.00. Available in European system.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Spring Meeting – 2/15/2003 – San Francisco
Convention July 4 th weekend 2003 – Elko , Nevada
Fall, 2003 meeting -????
<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>
A motion was made by John Aldape to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mary Gaztambide. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:20p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Esther Bidaurreta
Secretary