

**Minutes for
BBLA Annual Meeting**

(as approved by BBLA Board on 9-24-2021

& approved by Membership on 6-21-22)

**Saturday June 26, 2021
10:00 am
Virtual via Zoom Webinar**

The BBLA Board met on Saturday, June, 26, 2021.

In attendance were Board Members: Lee Bunting, Ron Dobes, Mary Louise Embrey, Diane Fogash, Susan Fried, Jerry Hardiman, Claire Loftus, Pat McGuire, Kathy Shorter, Kathy Sierra, and Chip Smith

New Board Members in attendance: Bob Baldini, Larry Frarey, Lucille Kurtz

The meeting was well-attended virtually - 77 registered BBLA members

Meeting Opened by BBLA Board President Kathy Sierra

- Kathy welcomed the participants, explained the virtual process, introduced the Board Members, and outlined the meeting agenda
- Introduced speaker - Chris Powers from BBLA Donation Recipient [South Coastal Village Volunteers](#) provided a PowerPoint presentation - additional information:
 - Scholarships are provided as needed - don't want to turn away anyone who needs services
 - Watch for September 30th fundraising event at Good Earth Market
- Minutes, presented by Mary Louise Embrey (acting as Recording Secretary), from the July, 25, 2020 Annual Meeting - **APPROVED**
- Treasurer's Annual Report from 2020 was presented by Susan Fried - **APPROVED**

- Report will be available on the BBLA website
- YTD 2021 report was presented:
 - Last year, the Board agreed that we would go into our very healthy reserves to (a) continue to invest in upgrading our communications capacity; and (b) to increase our donations in response to the pandemic and its impact on people and local community organizations
 - Recall that dues were increased to \$20. This resulted in an increase in revenue, and membership stayed steady
 - Working toward a balanced budget for 2021- will still use some reserves as we continue to invest in our communications capacity
 - Returning to our normal levels of donations
 - Increasing our marketing efforts to build a larger membership base
 - Asked people to opt in to electronic communications for cost-saving and timely information
- Kathy Sierra presented the President's Annual Report via a PowerPoint presentation
- By-laws changes re BBLA's nominations process were presented by Kathy Sierra and **APPROVED**
- Nominating Committee Report presented by Diane Fogash: Board Members up for renewal of 2-year terms (Ron Dobes, Diane Fogash, Susan Fried, Jerry Hardiman, Claire Loftus, Pat McGuire, Kathy Sierra) were announced; Board Members serving the 2nd year of their 2-year terms were announced (Lee Bunting, Kathy Shorter, Chip Smith); new Board Members (Bob Baldini, Larry Frarey, Lucille Kurtz) were officially installed; and the slate of officers was presented - all members and officers were **APPROVED - no nominations from the floor**
 - Three officers will perform the 2nd year of their 2-year terms (President - Kathy Sierra, VP and Membership Secretary - Ron Dobes, Pat McGuire - Recording Secretary); Susan Fried is continuing as Treasurer in her new 2-year term
 - Interested members in serving on the Board should contact the Nominating Committee

- Kathy Sierra mentioned and thanked Board Member Judy Bullis who resigned during 2021 and was a valuable contributing member of the Donations Com. and the History Com.
- Kathy Sierra facilitated the Q&A portion and provided Closing Remarks
Answers provided to all questions received in the “chat”
 - Numerous positive remarks on BBLA’s work and communications were submitted by members through the “chat” Committed to keeping BB the beach Town our members know and love
 - Assured members BBLA wants to hear from them through BBLA website “Contact Us”- also, opportunity for a forum is in the planning stage

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.