

Willow Valley Club Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, May 2, 2026, 9 am
549 Gordon Drive, Mohave Valley, AZ 86440



1. **Call to order:** The board meeting was called to order by Chris Elvert at 9:03.
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance: Chris Elvert led the Pledge of Allegiance; 13 out of 13 board members were present making it a quorum.
 - b. Roll Call:
 - i. Present: Randy Burton, Mark Aery, Don Martarano, Sue Steeber, Ted Martin, Chris Elvert, Karen Summitt, Carla Awtry, Lisa Eilar, Ken Koch, Ron Mick, Pat Kerr, Paul Merz.
 - ii. General Membership in Attendance – 30
 - iii. Zoom – Not available
2. **Approve April 4, 2026, Meeting Minutes:**
 - a. Chris Elvert
 - i. The meeting minutes are sent to the Board of Directors to review prior to the meeting. Copies were provided to members and are available on the website and in the office.
 - ii. Discussion – A motion was made to approve April 4, 2026, meeting minutes were made by Ted Martin and 2nd by Carla Awtry and carried.
3. **Approve March 2026 Treasures Report:** Carla Awtry
 - a. Discussion – Ted Martin made a motion to approve March 2026, Treasures Report, 2nd by Sue Steeber and motion carried.
4. **Standing Committee:**
 - a. **Building and Maintenance** – Paul Merz
 - i. Dock signs were installed to inform people about designated slips and fines. Scott acquired a floor finisher and pads. The machine is improving the floors. The cover for the card scanner at the gate was picked up and installed. The cost of the cover was approximately \$76.00. The old cover was damaged by vehicle mirrors. A piece of aluminum was installed as a guard to protect the new cover. The member who damaged the cover for the gate scanner stepped forward and paid for it. Harley Davidson motorcycles without WVCA stickers were turned away from the beach during biker weekend. Suggestion to use magnetic stickers for motorcycles. Magnetic stickers could be placed on gas tanks when entering the beach or marina. Alternative suggestion: laminated stickers that can be attached to handlebars. Line dancing will be discussed under new business. Marina is in good condition due to the caretakers' work. Paul Merz has created an excel spreadsheet to track expenses month to month starting with April 2026. Expenses paid by Carla are marked red. Gate card reader will be put on next month's agenda.
 - b. **Publicity and Communication** – Carla Awtry
 - i. Carla tries to keep everyone informed on our Facebook page. Nothing new going on.
 - c. **Recreation and Entertainment** – Carla Awtry
 - i. Craft fair this Saturday May 9, 2026, at 9:00 am, during Memorial Day weekend we have bingo on Saturday night May 23, 2026. Bingo cards will be \$5.00. We will be doing specialty bingos and raffles. We will have our annual Cornhole

contest on June 6, 2026, time TBD. 4th of July weekend Event TBD. End of Summer Party is October 17, 2026, Trunk or Treat will be on October 24, 2026, time TBD. Our annual car show will be held in November date TBD.

5. Strategic Planning – Karen Summitt

- a. We had a Board of Directors training meeting; We learned that we must make sure that we follow our bi-laws and the Arizona Statutes.
The policy committee Karen Summitt and Carla Awtry. An invitation for others to join the policy committee.

6. New Business

a. Clubhouse Line Dancing:

- i. Currently, line dancing occurs three times a week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) at no charge.

The instructors collect donations from participants. Tracking showed that approximately 65% of attendees are non-members, and 35% are members. The discussion aims to determine whether to maintain the status quo, charge for clubhouse use, or limit attendance. There are also concerns about the wear and tear of the floor. One board member asked if each person paid something. The response was that it's a donation that goes to the ladies that put it on. There is no financial benefit to the clubhouse.

- ii. Discussion regarding line dancing in the clubhouse.
- iii. Christina Earhart agrees to talk to the line dancing group and make sure everyone wears tennis shoes.
- iv. Ted Martin made a motion to continue allowing line dancing at the clubhouse, 2nd by Don Martarano and carried.

b. Abandonment of electrical lines on the peninsula at Marina, estimated \$1000.00 or less.

- i. A motion was made by Ted Martin to set aside up to \$1,000 for the abandonment of electric lines on the peninsula at the marina, 2nd by Sue Steeber
- ii. The purpose is to address an eroding telephone pole that supports the lines, potentially saving future relocation costs. Before removing the electrical lines, a solar light needs to be put in place to ensure people can navigate the entrance into the marina at night. Research is being done to find a solar light that provides sufficient illumination.
- iii. Peninsula Pole Issue
- iv. Discussion
- v. They are considering a solar light to avoid moving the pole and removing power lines. The pole is on the peninsula, which is eroding.

c. Collection of dues and gate card policy:

- i. Tabled for review.

d. A closed-door executive session will be held immediately after the regular Board of Directors meeting on 5/2/2026 with a vote after executive session.

- i. During board member comments / discussion, Pat Kerr stated his intention in joining the board, including seeking removal of certain board members. He referenced three board members by name and made accusatory statements regarding their honesty. The discussion became elevated in tone and disrupted the orderly conduct of the meeting. The Chair called for order and redirected discussion to agenda matters.

7. Old Business:

- a. **Tri-state Wi-Fi** – Karen Summitt and Pat Kerr
 - i. Karen Summitt has no updates
 - ii. Patt Kerr has no updates.
- b. **Launch Task Team** – Sam Eilar and Pat Kerr
 - i. Have 3 erosion control companies that are currently interested in our project. Veterans Erosion, Ninyo & Moore and Empire Equipment. Ninyo has submitted a proposal for \$1900 to prepare us a scope of work/plan for the marina. Still waiting for other companies. Goal is to mitigate erosion. The permit has been renewed for 5 more years. Infrastructure funding options have been delivered to board. Questions on contractors’ bonds, and it’s agreed we should ensure we have that next time. Four bids have been received for dredging and ramp. Questions came up about assessments to fund projects. 51% vote of the members in good standing required to pass and number of ballots returned. Before any decisions are made members will get opportunity for discussion and review of companies and how to fund projects. These options would be on a ballot. If assessments are chosen, the association must collect them before project can begin. Loans would allow our association to begin work much sooner but would incur finance fees and interest at higher project cost. A member asked about additional palapa’s and the cost. Seeking companies to provide quotes.

Public Comments –

1. Member Gary Stuck wants to get more beach palapas. It will be on next month's agenda. Bring proposal to the next BOD meeting
2. Don Martarano is painting the clubhouse on May 18th.

8. Adjourn: 10:09 am

Re- open Regular Meeting

11:15 am Exited Executive Session.

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General Membership in Attendance: 3

Closed Session:

1. **Confrontation of Employee and Member –**
 - a. Discussed employees Behavior and Member Behavior
 - b. We will include an incident report in the employees’ file describing incident and making recommendations for the employee to attend and complete a customer service training class.
 - c. Karen Summitt made a motion to send the employee to a customer service class. Send a letter to the member about her inappropriate behavior, drinking out of a bottle on the beach and dues being 2 years behind, 2nd by Sue Steeber, and carried.
 - d. A member made a statement and said they want to make sure policies protect both sides, employees and members.
2. **Adjourn:** 11:23 am