

NON-PROFIT MEETING MINUTES FOR

RACE *for* RESEARCH

Date: Wednesday, February 11, 2026

Time: 7:00 pm (PT)

Location: Google Meet

CALL TO ORDER – Steve Osborne

Steve Osborne called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE

- Steve Osborne, President
- Raio Salmon, Vice President
- Nicole Dozier, Treasurer
- Denise DeMartini
- Tori Heimlich
- Janet Monico
- Angie Osborne
- Heather Pacheco
- Mary Piraro
- Kenny Piraro
- Heather Snow

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – Steve Osborne

Vote to Approve Minutes from 1/21/26

Motion to approve 1/21/26 Minutes by Angie Osborne

Seconded by Janet Monico

Motion passed unanimously

TRADEMARK: Mary and Nicole will submit by March 15th.

FINANCIAL UPDATE – Nicole Dozier

Treasurer's Report: As of 2/11/26

Account Balance: \$63,497.61

Donations: \$2,121.50

Table Sales: (2) \$2,530.00 **Ticket Sales:** (7) \$715.00

Online Giving: 0

Fees: -\$189.04

Taxes: Will submit sometime in March

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/REPORTS

Celebrity Waiter & Social Media Manager Committee

Lead: Heather Pacheco – social media: 1005 followers. Now we can go live. We have doubled our followers from last year.

Celebrity Waiters: 39 Our goal is 55 waiters

Sales Committee

Lead: Raio Salmon – 7 tables sold/7 individual tickets sold

Design & Documentation Committee

Lead: Denise DeMartini – Denise sent out acknowledgment letters for the remaining donations that were in MaxGiving. Denise also mentioned having signs donated by a friend of hers to have posted around Tachi with a QR code for donations from Casino patrons. She also suggested putting welcome signs on the doors of all the guest hotel rooms with the QR code. She also suggested possibly selling raffle tickets for

several of the gift baskets to raise funds. \$20 for a page of raffle tickets. If not this year, next year. If half of the guests purchased one page of raffle tickets, conservatively this could raise an additional \$2000-\$4000

Sponsorship Committee

Lead: Kenny Piraro – Three bar sponsorships have been sold. One bar is still available. Hoosier is the entertainment sponsor. They will also buy one table at the least. Possibly more than one. We are still working on the PRI sponsorships. The updated Sponsorship Opportunity flyer was emailed to the Board. (ATTACHED) They tried to get a youth quad but because of the liability it is not possible. They have a possible donation of a KLX230R off road bike donated by CCY. (value is \$5000)

Decorating Committee

Lead: Tori Heimlich – The committee met and are getting details ironed out. They are on a good path. They are still getting pricing, etc. The Lighting/Drapery rep has been responding, and they are waiting for a price quote from him.

Auction Committee

Lead: Nicole Dozier – 8 confirmed auction items. 25+ possible opportunities/baskets. 10 live auction items. We are not doing Mother's Day baskets this year. Plunder Jewelry will be inventoried. Possibly used this year. If not used this year, then it may be used in the future. Freddie suggested getting chain restaurant gift certificates or bulk certificates. He also mentioned getting San Luis Obispo, Pismo beach weekends. We will have Mexico/Portugal trips (live) Nashville, Vegas, Universal, Golfing, Snow Weekend (silent) All with low reserves.

Logistics Chair Committee

Lead: Mary Piraro – Confirmed Kaleb's travel (budgeted: \$850) Caden's travel (budgeted: \$2500) (Hotel is comped)

Event Coordinator

Lead: Angie Osborne – Met with Tachi: We Have the room on Thursday. All vendors can go in on Wednesday. The cost of dinner: Chicken went down \$5. Angie has a meeting with the general manager in March. Tachi has been great about not charging us extra for the extra days for the room, etc. They will get back to us with the sizes for signage. TIMELINES: will be in Google Docs. (Catering timeline; Catering/audio/lights/timeline; Overall timeline) Max guests: 412 due to catering staff. Angie met with Freddie regarding the timelines. He has great ideas. He reiterated once again that we need to be done by 9PM. We still need to decide about the check presentation.

RFR Race Day Committee

Lead: Heather Pacheco – Lemoore will donate 2 race tickets for every ticket we sell to the Gala. The track will donate a suite for Caden and his wife and baby. One of the track suites will be donated for an auction item for the RFR Race and for all three nights of Cal-Cup. We received a \$1000 donation (4-\$250 donations) to cover items used that night (SOME IDEAS: celebrity waiter banners, thank you packets, hero cards with QR code, thank you card from the Board, RFR sticker, snack, small bag for kids that come to the races, photo spot to take pictures, decorations/balloons, etc.) Nicole will get flags for the winners of the races. Heather Pacheco suggested using the white gift bags left over from last year for the Celebrity Waiter gift bags.

NEW BUSINESS – West Coast Hall of Fame – Thursday October 1st (10 seats are available) Rooms have been reserved. Steve/Angie/Kenny/Mary/Denise/Marty would like to attend. Raio and Matt are maybe's

OLD BUSINESS –

Mary: Mary would like to secure a storage location close to Tachi: She is trying to get a discounted rate. (10 x 10: \$130 per month is the regular price) Raio suggested possibly purchasing a container and putting it on her property. Everyone thought this was a great idea.

Angie: Ocean Speedway/Watsonville: Angie will be taking a meeting with them. They will possibly be holding a race for a fundraiser for RFR and will hang our banners at the track.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:59 PM

NEXT MEETING: Wednesdays, February 25th, March 4th, 18th, April 11th, 25th, 2026 at 7:00 PM