

**FINAL MINUTES  
House of Spain,  
Casa de España,  
in San Diego  
Meeting  
Board of Directors  
December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023**



<b>Officers</b>		<b>Members of the Board</b>			
President	Jesús Benayas	X	Maruja Williams	X	
Vice President	Pedro Romón Díaz	X	Ana Ocampo Rebollar		
Secretary	Ignacio de Castro Pérez	X	Demetrio Almaguer		
Treasurer	David Buenaventura		Madi Dearie Ignacio Vázquez Riesgo	X	Sergeant-at-Arms Henry Herms X

1. The President called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

2. Approval of today's agenda.

**Pedro Romón made a motion to approve the agenda.**

**Maruja Williams seconded the motion.**

**The motion passed.**

3. Proxies.

Madi Dearie and Ana Ocampo sent their proxy to the President.

4. Approval of 10/1/2023 BOD meeting minutes:

**Ignacio Vázquez made a motion to approve the November 5th, 2023 minutes as presented.**

**Maruja Williams seconded the motion.**

**The motion passed.**

**4.5** Approval of the 2023 General Assembly minutes:

**Pedro Romón made a motion to approve the 2023 General Assembly minutes as presented.**

**Ignacio Vázquez seconded the motion.**

**The motion passed.**

**5.** President's Report: No physical report.

**5a.** House of Spain elections. Everything went well, good participation

**5b.** December Nights. Thank you to all volunteers. Without them the event would not be possible. There were some issues that will be resolved by putting together a list of rules for volunteers on big events. Pedro and Ignacio Vázquez will work on it.

**5c.** New desktop computer for the casita was purchased. David Buenaventura installed and updated the software. Thank you David.

**5d.** Paellas were made on November 17th and December 6th for King Chávez Academy students at the casita. Thank you Kayla, Maruja, Bob and David for making it possible.

**5e.** Reyes Magos on January 5th. Nina is in Charge. Maruja, Bob and Consuelo have volunteered so far.

**Maruja Williams made a motion to spend up to \$400 to purchase food and decorations for the Reyes event.**

**Ignacio Vázquez seconded the motion.**

**The motion passed.**

**5f.** Naval Base Point Loma Captain Yackerren and his wife Kelly will be at the casita on December 14th at 9am. Maruja will help but any board member is also welcome to attend.

**6.** Vice president's report. No report. The Vice President helped with December Nights at all levels

**7.** Secretary's report. No report.

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

9.a. General Report

Checking account \$3,218.14

High Yield Savings \$ 8,125.60

Fidelity Investments \$ 219,049.71

Total \$ 234,393.45

**9.** HPR report. Henry Herms sent out the report over email

**10.** Committee Reports.

**10.1** Reyes Magos at HON on January 5th, 2024

**10.2** Calendar of events for 2023

**10.3** Scholarship. Second \$500 payment to be given this month

**10.4** Webmaster report - Can we have electronic membership cards automated through the website?

**10.5** Queens - Henry

The meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

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

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Minutes approved by the Board of Directors on January 14th, 2024.

**Motions for HOS Board meeting on December 10th, 2023:**

- 1. Pedro Romón made a motion to approve the agenda.  
Maruja Williams seconded the motion.  
The motion passed.**
- 2. Ignacio Vázquez made a motion to approve the November 5th, 2023 minutes as presented.  
Maruja Williams seconded the motion.  
The motion passed.**
- 3. Pedro Romón made a motion to approve the 2023 General Assembly minutes as presented.  
Ignacio Vázquez seconded the motion.  
The motion passed.**
- 4. Maruja Williams made a motion to spend up to \$400 to purchase food and decorations for the Reyes event.  
Ignacio Vázquez seconded the motion.  
The motion passed.**