RCA Trailblazers

Business Meeting Minutes

October 25, 2026 – 2:40 PM EST

In Attendance

Ruth & Debbie, Donna and Robin, Shawna & Günter, Agnes & Dave, Amreeta & Peter, Chris irw Birgit

Key Outcomes

The group approved the previous minutes as amended and accepted the treasurer's report. A group inventory will be sent to the Trailblazers contact list this week with a completion deadline of the end of December, with results to inform a group inventory meeting in January. All proposed changes to the meeting schedule and service position rotation were tabled until after the inventory results are reviewed.

Decisions Made

- **Minutes:** Approved as amended to correct the beginning treasury balance to $1,790.71.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Accepted as presented.
- **Group Inventory:**
    - Send the inventory to the full Trailblazers contact list via MailChimp.
    - Include a short blurb explaining the purpose and the upcoming January meeting.
    - Set the response deadline for the end of December.
- **Meeting Schedule:** Tabled decisions on moving the business meeting to the fourth Sunday and swapping the Traditions and Newcomer/Anniversary meeting formats until after inventory feedback is received.
- **Service Positions:** Tabled rotation of service positions until after the inventory; current positions will continue for at least another month.
- **Announcements:** Add a list of service positions to the announcements, including a link to the service positions webpage and a note that couples are available to help/mentor others.

Progress & Status

- **Treasury:**
    - Beginning balance: $1,790.71.
    - Contributions received: $48.50.
    - Fees: $4.59.
    - WSO contribution: $790.70.
    - Annual Zoom payment: $178.40.

    - Ending available balance: -$134.49 (relative to the $1,000 prudent reserve).

- **Group Inventory:**
    - Sample inventory sent to the committee; contains approximately 27 questions, mostly yes/no with about three open-ended responses.
    - Dave and Donna have completed the inventory; it took approximately 5–10 minutes.
- **Announcements:** The announcements page was consolidated into a tiered webpage, with spelling/English corrections pending.

Pending Confirmation

- **Minutes Distribution:** The group needs to decide whether to email minutes to the business meeting list or rely on website posting.
- **Service Rotation Timing:** A proposal to shift the rotation window to February was discussed but not decided; Amreeta will draft a question for the group inventory to gather feedback.
- **Meeting Format:** Whether to shorten the regular meeting to start the business meeting earlier remains an open question for the group inventory.

Action Items

- **Amreeta:** Send the group inventory to the Trailblazers contact list this week with a short blurb and a deadline of the end of December.
- **Amreeta:** Draft a group inventory question regarding shifting service position rotations to February and email it to Donna for review.
- **Ruth:** Correct the minutes regarding the beginning treasury balance and post them to the website.
- **Ruth:** Update the announcements to include a list of service positions, a link to the service positions page, and a note about couple mentorship.
- **Robin:** Act as backup for the business lead role if Ruth and Debbie are unable to attend due to their transition.