

Minutes of the Sun City West Woodworking Club Board Meeting – October 29, 2018

Present: Peggy Sainato, Max Thompson, Fred James, Sue Trevisan, Jim Booy, Dave Boulet, Bill Riedel, Roger Lansberry. Absent: Connie Riedel

Meeting was called to order at 9am by Peggy Sainato.

Roger gave the financial report for the year to date. We are doing very well and are ahead of last year in income, and expenses are below last year. We have \$40K, including the \$13.6K in the equipment fund. Orientation class for November is full and some people have signed up for December. A discussion ensued concerning signing up online for orientation only, without having a book in the tool crib for that purpose. The consensus remains that we have new members sign up for orientation online only, with the addition that there will be people to help those who can't do it for themselves.

Bill pointed out that we need to build up our maintenance inventory up so that we have parts to fix machines that break. The board agreed.

The woodshop has been asked by the Rec Center events folks to make a couple of snowmen for the Winter Festival that will be taking place in December. The snowmen will have holes cut in them down the front so that folks can target them with snowballs made of real snow. The board agreed to help. Peggy will get the specifications from the events people so that special projects can create these wonders. Max has a new Dremel tool that can do this job easily.

Dori Miller from the Rec Center recently sent an email to Peggy suggesting that, because of continued email scams, clubs who have their board members' emails on their web sites should delete them and simply have one email address for reaching the club. She also suggested that we might want to remove the board member's names from the site as well. To that end, Peggy has asked Peter Meyer to eliminate individual email addresses and just put the scwoodclub@gmail.com address and the shop phone number on the website. Since all members know who the board members are because their pictures and names are posted in the hallway, we decided to remove the names from the website as well. Anyone wanting to contact our club can always ask the Rec Center for contact information and they will receive it.

The craft fair will be held at RH Johnson on November 3rd from 8am to 2pm. The Woodclub will be outside in front of the building near the administrative offices this year. Food vendors will be in the back by the pool.

There is still a clock in the machine room, contrary to popular opinion, but it is high on the wall over the Tool Crib door. We will move it over next to the front door so that people will be able to see it more easily.

The board asks members to please refrain from using strong smelling finishing materials in the assembly room. Many people are allergic to those odors.

The November Happy Hour will be held in the Kuentz Courtyard on Thursday November 15th at 4pm. Some wine and beer will be provided as well as yummy snacks but BYOB if you want something special.

Max Thompson has reformatted the training materials for the Woodclub classes so that they contain the same types of information. As soon as each instructor signs off on the information for their specific class, their information will be updated on the web site. In addition, we will make sure that the latest minutes for board and general membership meetings will be available on the web site.

The board continued discussion about adding a 4th day for orientation so that safety issues relating to specific equipment can be addressed with the students. It is important that everyone knows what happens when our machines aren't used correctly. The board decided to add a 4th day on Thursday afternoon at 3:30pm to the November class as a test. Everyone involved in the training is invited to observe.

Roger wants to point out to all our members that the refrigerator in the assembly room is for **water only**. People put food in the fridge and leave it there; it was starting to look like a science project. The refrigerator has been cleaned out. Please refrain from using the fridge for food.

The board discussed ways to encourage our members to monitor. In the last week, several 4-hour segments had no one signed up to work and people in the shop each took an hour as manager to keep the shop open. One suggestion is to require everyone in the club to monitor at least 2 times a year – this would be for everyone, including past presidents and all of the people who volunteer in other ways. Other clubs do this. A final decision was not made at this meeting.

The board reminds everyone that the clearing of tabletops in the Assembly room is still required on Friday afternoon to facilitate cleaning on Friday night and Saturday morning.

The meeting was adjourned at 11am.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Sainato, President