

SUN CITY WEST METAL CLUB

Board Meeting – October 6, 2023

Meeting called to order 10:30a.m. by President Dave Price. Present: Joe Faraone, Ken Booth, Don Mellum, Ken Weaver, Lee Schwartz, Wendi Boos. Absent: Jim Filipiak, Bill Smith.
Guest: Terry Hurst #2678

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Ken W., seconded by Don to approve Sept. 8th Meeting Minutes - all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Joe provided a recap of club finances noting that all expenses and bills have been paid in full. Joe posts club expenses on the bulletin board to inform members of club spending.

Lee reported the purchase of the 2nd new welder and sale of two outdated welders has been completed. The purchase of the two new welders totaled \$5100; below the \$6000 limit approved by membership. He thanked the Board for working through the process to achieve this positive result.

Safety/Security Camera Proposal: Terry Hurst, Chair of the Security Camera Committee reported that \$960 has been spent on the security camera and PA system to date (approved for \$1K by the Board). Terry recognized the computer/IT work done by Russ Wagner and Larry Boos to install software, utilize a recycled club computer, and purchase of a camera which is viewed on the big TV screen across from the Monitor Desk. Two wireless microphones and 1 speaker have been purchased for the PA system. The Rec Center will provide a scissor lift and operator for the team to run wiring through the club to continue this project. Terry will report at the November Board meeting with updated costs to complete the system. The Board complimented Terry and the team for quickly and efficiently installing these systems at the club.

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Membership Dues for 2024: Discussion took place regarding the possibility of increasing club annual dues based upon inflation and increased costs to run the club. However, the Board agreed that 2024 dues will remain unchanged at \$35 for member renewal and \$20 for locker renewal.

Need for Class Instructors: Dave noted that Instructors are needed for Plasma Machines and Welding. Joe suggested paying Instructors to attract more members to teach classes which has been approved by the Rec Center. It was agreed to continue to solicit members to teach classes, no changes to the current system.

Social Committee Plans: Wendi reported that the Social Committee met and plans a Welcome Back Pizza Party following the General Meeting on Nov. 9th. The Chili Cookoff Lunch will be held in February 2024 when more members are back in town. All agreed with these plans.

General Update Items: Dave reported on the following items:

- The Display Board Committee has been confirmed with Tamarra Bennett, BL Cline, and Avis Acton. More details will be shared by the committee at a future Board Meeting.
- The Plasma Cutting Policy was reviewed by the Board. Joe made a motion to update the policy to state violations of the policy will be subject to the club bylaw disciplinary process which applies to all club equipment. Lee seconded the motion; all were in favor.
- The updated Monitor Training process was reviewed and will be shared at the General Meeting to encourage members to serve as Monitors.

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- Work Benches: Dave will review the Work Bench policy with members to remind them not to store projects on the benches; clean-up should be done on a daily basis.
- Ken W. stated that steel is being shipped to us in 12' lengths rather than the usual 10' lengths creating an issue of material not fitting properly in the storage racks. Racks are being installed at the plasma machines to hold the rails stored at each machine.
- A large canopy stored in the trailer will be reviewed on Saturday to see if it can be used in the outside grinding area.

Roundtable: Lee reported that he is setting up the new welder this week. This completes welding machine purchases; all welders have been updated with user-friendly digital displays and easy to operate process steps.

Motion to adjourn made by Don, seconded by Lee. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

General Membership Meeting: Oct. 12, 2023, 10:30am, RH Social Hall

Submitted by Wendi Boos, Secretary – October 8, 2023