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**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Sun City West LGBT Club**

Day & Date: Monday, February 6, 2023
 Time: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
 Location: Agave Room, Beardsley

Board & Apprentices in Attendance	Absent
Peggy Skoglund, Patty Book; Pat Nelson, Molly Mandel, Dave Schneider, Jim Allen, Laurel Macpherson, Alex Childs,	Susan Krabbe, Doris Roman, Tracy Anderson, Betsy George
Guests: Deb Tisdale, member	

1. Pat Book called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m., a quorum was established.
2. The Board approved the prior Board Meeting Minutes held 12/5/22 and 1/5/23
 - a. Pat noted that we needed to change the board meeting time on our Website.
 - b. Jim will distribute the two meeting minutes to Betsy to post to the website.
3. Treasurer’s Report (Peggy)
 - a. The Form 990-N, and SCWRC Form CR-7 were completed & submitted.
 - b. Bank balance is \$ 4,349.51. Credits YTD \$1,046.00; Debits \$278.00.
 - c. Pizza party: Cost club \$100.02
 - d. RCSCW Treasurer Meeting: We should track all 50/50 proceeds per RCSCW as to what was collected versus what was disbursed.
 - e. Rob Upton reviewed the CR-7 – The Annual Financial Statement and membership #s, plus reconciliation of membership dues.
1. Membership Report (Laurel)
 - a. Laurel presented the below information.



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Membership Report

STATS:

- Total 2022 Membership Count: 127 paid members
- Total 2023 Membership Count: 90 paid members
- Total 2023 New Members: 11
- Total Members that have not signed back up: $44 <(127-90) = 37+11= 48 - \text{Moved/Deceased} = 44>$
- January Event Membership: 51 total (41 members, 5 new members, 5 guests). - We signed up 8 members and 5 new members – a total of 13.
- Membership Drive will go to the end of February, then \$15/person.
- No Data on Sharing Info or Volunteers: Membership team will call those members to obtain the information.
- Volunteers: There are 9 members that have volunteered.
- Members that do not want info shared: 1 member: Rachel Barrett

INPUT/QUESTIONS

- Membership list for members – I will publish 3/1.
- Sign In: Most clubs require that your rec card is shown – people are not doing this - we need to note this in a newsletter.
- Guests: Most clubs require a fee, and a limited number of visits, – there was some feedback on the \$5 fee – we need to note this in a newsletter.
- Sun City Membership details: The fee is \$15/person, accept credit cards, and if over 80+ no membership fee. I spoke Marsha, 520-990-1102, SC fills out form on line, pay via credit – STRIPE.com, they process the application, transfers money to bank, they take a percentage of the dues (3%), which is deducted from total. The data becomes available, there IT guy created an interface, that transfer data to a Mail Chimp with whatever data.
- Automatically creates a membership list, can send out invitations. They download a list of data from STRIPE and compared to the bank statement, can tell who paid by name on credit card, then they can reconcile – easy to do. If they get a lot of members paying on one day, may transfer in one lump. The volume is not that hard (200 members). Marsha says that more people will sign up if automated. Not aware of any attendance requirement for members. Do track members that attend socials -Use a sign in list at meetings. Some social events require payment, or reservations, all done via automatically. Does take some time up front. At the first meeting of the year, insisted sign up via automatic – they had 4 people with computers. Sign in with their rec number. To complete it we will need an IT person for the setup of form on website, link to STRIPE and integration with Mail Chimp.

- b. The Board reviewed the Membership and Renewal Policy, Amended 12/19/18.
 1. The board agreed to change the membership drive to begin on December 1 and end on March 31 beginning in calendar year 2024.
 2. The current policy remains in place through calendar year 2023.
 3. Laurel discussed the below items including automating the Club's membership process using Corsizio.
 - c. Patty will work trying to schedule a meeting with other Clubs to meet with Betsy, Peggy, Laurel & Patty. Laurel believes we should automate payment processing. Peggy is concerned about the background work required. Patty will talk with Kasey of RCSCW to see if the RC has any options.
4. Photos were taken of the existing board.



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OLD BUSINESS:

5. Patty & Molly have commenced review of the existing Bylaws. Pat will meet with Dorie to correct the existing version that is dated 12/29/2022.
6. Corsizio on hold—awaiting meeting with Art Club (Patty)
7. Dave indicated that members are not attending the Book Group and it should sunset if members don't want to participate.
8. The board approved to appoint Suzanne Arnopolin as our news reporter for the Independent and Rec Center News.
9. Pat, Molly and Peggy reported on the SCW RC mandatory meeting, where staff were introduced, policies reviewed, and reporting expectations for Clubs were reviewed.
10. Peggy reported on the mandatory Treasurers meeting. Peggy believes the SCWRC need to modify the Form CR-7, as it is the same form for all chartered clubs and it is cumbersome to report to the RC. Peggy will share with Patty a copy of the completed CR-7.
11. The pizza party event on January 16 was a success, attendance was strong, and the membership team was fabulous.
12. Betty's Rooste breakfast on January 24 and breakfast on February 2 went well.
13. Communications Director—Tracy provided the Board with an alternative to using Eventbrite due to the costs now incurred in using it. She has developed a system to use Mailchimp and she is happy to use it for our Newsletter and provided the below information for the Board.



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I will not be attending tonight's meeting.

Information on my part of the agenda is as follows: eVite is now charging for any emails sent to over 50 email addresses. I believe this was a trial amount for the one time as the company wanted me to pay again when I made the breakfast RSVP email through eVite. (I ended up paying money, \$15.99, for an earlier email about the pizza party)

I have since created a workable solution rather than using eVite and being charged. I sent out a MailChimp email with instructions and a link on how to RSVP for the February breakfast. You only RSVP if you plan to come. The link goes to an gmail account I created for RSVPs. Once the deadline is reached, I count up the number of attendees and let Betty's Rooste know the count a minimum of two days ahead of the meal.

I am listing the types of eVite packages so you can see the differences. (I am NOT lobbying for us to purchase any package.)

Tracy

Not sure which type of Evite to choose?

We offer 2 exciting options that can assist you in planning virtually any type of event:

- **Evite (Free):**
 - Traditional, free invitation option with a large selection of online designs.
 - Can be sent via email address, social networks (Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, etc), and text message
 - Labeled as "Free" in the gallery
 - Ability to upgrade to Premium and disable ads on Free Invitations starting at \$15.99 (small package)
- **Evite Premium (Paid):**
 - Beautiful, fresh templates that have the look of a real card (sent digitally via email)
 - Customization of fonts, colors, and formatting
 - An exciting "Design Your Own" option that allows you to upload your own custom designs
 - A seamless, no-ad experience for guests
 - Labeled as "Premium" in the gallery.
 - For a fun video of all the features we have to offer, you may check it out [HERE](#)

Premium Invitation Pricing:

Small Package (Up to 15 guests): \$15.99

Medium Package (Up to 40 guests): \$32.99

Large Package (Up to 100 guests): \$64.99

X-Large Package (Up to 750 guests): \$89.99

Evite Pro (Yearly Subscription): \$249.99

Notes

- Our Premium product is not a printed/hard copy option. All invitations are digital, and sent via email.
- Invitation send packages are not transferable between invitations. Invitation sends can only be used for the event that they are purchased for.

14. Plans for Socials on Feb. 20

- a. Membership recruitment
- b. General membership/President's Day
- c. Bingo & Bingo prizes. First Bingo card is free, any additional \$1.00. Board approved spending up to \$200.00 for Bingo prizes; Jim will donate a box of chocolates.
- d. Will be a member potluck
- e. Plans for Social on March 20
St. Patrick's Day theme and potluck
- f. Plans for April 16 Special Event
 - a. Pride and Silent Auction. We will send out an announcement seeking donations.
 - b. Donations should be brought to Molly's address: 14102 W White Rock Dr. by giving Molly advanced notice.
 - c. Catering will be done for the event.
 - d. Deb Tisdale asked whether the LGBT Club is a 501-C3, and Patty stated we are a non-profit 501-C7 as we expend funds on social activities not charitable causes. Deb, with support from Molly, Peggy & Pat, will go to companies for contributions. Items will be stored & staged at Molly's home. Deb, Molly, Peggy & Pat will meet and deliver a proposal at the March board meeting which will also include a caterer.
 - e. Handling Auction: (a) silent auction; (b) people can buy tickets & put in tickets in a box and the winning ticket will be drawn.

15. A progressive dinner concept will be pursued for couples and singles where one home provides the appetizer, another a main course, and another dessert. Details to be discussed further.



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- a. Future Plans
 - i. Coffee at Daddy’s Italian Bakery (TBD)
 - ii. Rustler’s Roost (Pat)
 - iii. Cocktail hour at a restaurant (Jim)
 - iv. LBGTO/Desperado Film Festival (Patty and Jim)
 - v. Botanical Gardens—December 2023
 - vi. Trip to Queen Creek Mill—Pat and Patty (maybe late or the Fall)
 - vii. AZ Gay Rodeo Association (AGRA), Corona Ranch, Laveen, AZ Saturday, 02/18/2023, Sunday, 02/19/2023 (Jim)
 - viii.
- b. Patty is in contact with the other Clubs to reactivate the “Quad Club Alliance” (SCW SC, Corta Bella, SCG). We have been invited to Sun City’s Lake Pleasant Cruise on April 18 and registration information will be forthcoming.

Member attendance for Poker and Book Group is weak. We need to evaluate whether the members are interested in these groups and sunset them if necessary.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:39 P.M. MST

Submitted by: Jim Allen 03/06/2023

Meeting Reminders:

Calendar Year 2023:

Meeting Type	Date/Time	Location
Club Social Meeting	3 rd Monday monthly, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.	Beardsley Agave Room
Board Meetings	1 st Monday monthly, 5:30 -7:30 p.m.	Beardsley Agave Room/Zoom
Book Group	2 nd Thursday monthly, 4:00 p.m.	Beardsley Agave Room
Poker Texas Hold-em	1 st Friday monthly, 4:00 p.m.	Molly’s home or TBD
Monthly Breakfast	1 st Thursday monthly, 8:30 a.m.	Betty’s Rooste. Must RSVP
Bi-Monthly Luncheon	4 th Tuesday monthly, 12 noon 01/24; 03/28; 05/23; 07/25; 09/26; 11/28	Betty’s Rooste. Must RSVP
Special Event	Sunday, 04/16/2023 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Location TBD
Special Event	Saturday, 11/04/2023 10:00 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Palm Ridge Summit B & Patio

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