

SUN CITY WEST METAL CLUB

Membership Meeting Minutes - April 16, 2009

The President George Wildridge began the meeting at 10:30 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to our nation's flag and one hundred and four members present.

Hearing no objection, reading of our minutes of our previous meeting was waived. A copy of the minutes has been posted in the shop for three weeks.

Don Mellum gave a Treasurers report.

The president's report to the members went as follows:

1. There was a special called meeting of our Club on April 1st in our Club building. The purpose of this meeting was to approve or disapprove moving the Welding Area in the Shop. After much discussion, a vote was called. The measure was approved 101 in favor, 24 not in favor and 3 ballots were invalid.
2. George reported the death of the wife of one of our oldest members, Joe O'Herrick. Services to be held tomorrow.
3. Courtesy between Club members has been lacking in recent times. We are all reminded to extend Club courtesy to all members of our Club.
4. Automobiles may properly be offered for sale on the Club grounds. There is no objection to this practice during normal hours of Club operation.
5. An eyeglass cleaning station will be installed in the near future.
6. Installation of lockers under shop work tables is being explored.
7. At our March meeting John Patrick suggested forming a group of members to assist community members with household chores. Forming such a group is being considered.
8. The air quality check demanded by the S.C.W. Rec. Center was performed on April 15, 2009. Results should be returned by April 22, 2009.
9. Joe Lenio will be in charge of Saturday Morning Maintenance during the absence of Dick Schuenke for the summer.
10. All members are invited to a Pizza Lunch in the Shop after this meeting. The purpose of the occasion being to wish departing Snow-birds a pleasant trip away and return.
11. George was next acting in jest. He offered various item both lost and found in the Shop. Only Bill Welnicks baseball hat was claimed.
12. John Grimes is recovering from recent hip surgery.

The meeting next moved on to Committee Reports.

David Teslow, being in charge of the Club Publicity, reminds us to be aware of S.C.W. Rec. Center News each month. Women member of our Club will be featured in the May issue.

Tony Urso reports the door-entry card scanner is now operable for use by Monitors when opening the Shop. No more key from the PORA Office.

Terry Phillips gave a report concerning Monitors. If the Shop is to be open during this Summer, two (2) Monitors are required on duty, morning and afternoon. An exception on this point is that on week-end days, Saturday and Sunday, one Monitor is sufficient. Substitute Monitors are on a list for those who need Substitutes.

Bill Welnick reports the Navigator Plasma Cutter is presently working on a limited basis. The NITRO Plasma Cutter is due to have some repairs. This requires the unit be shut down and sent away for these repairs. Sending the NITRO unit away will be delayed as long as possible to permit members time to get their projects completed.

Dave Eicke reports progress on producing 108 more mail boxes to be available for sale this summer.

Brad Huber was next to address the membership. He gave a background report as to why a new T.I.G. Welder is being considered for purchase. Two models are being looked at. Neither one is very easy to use. The one is priced at \$3,845 and the other is priced at \$4,415 including tax, delivery and some reasonable training.

The president next returned to the microphone and called for any more committee reports. Hearing none George entertained a motion concerning the welding machine that Brad had spoken about. Brad Huber, Badge #124 made a motion to purchase the Welding Machine at \$4,415. Don Smith Badge #186 seconded this motion. Various people spoke in favor of the purchase. Two or three were opposed. When called for a vote the purchase was approved with two (2) "no" votes.

George Wildridge last reported the appointment of a "Sunshine Committee" to contact members who are ill or incapacitated.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.

**Respectfully submitted,
Si Handzik, Secretary**