

SUN CITY WEST METAL CLUB

Membership Meeting Minutes – November 19, 2009

President George Wildridge began the meeting at 10:30 AM by inviting the members to join in a pledge to our nations' flag. He next stated that minutes of our previous meeting have been posted in the Club for three weeks. Hearing no objections to the contrary, George waived the reading of the minutes of our General Meeting in October.

Don Mellum gave a treasurers report.

Don pointed out that money from the Craft Fair would be deposited tomorrow. Approximately \$18,000.00 would be added to this total.

The President's report was next in the order of business. George's comments are reflections from the Executive Board meeting last week.

Joe Lenio, who heads our maintenance committee, reports that members are using the yard behind the shop as a dumping ground. Members are requested to deposit scrap and trash in the bins that are provided. Returning snowbirds are to be reminded that Saturday morning is shop clean-up time. Plans are also underway to erect an awning above the rear outdoor entrance to the welding room.

A telephone has been installed in the so-called alley. Should any member ever be locked in the alley, phone numbers are also posted there if a need arises.

Dates for Club functions have been approved for next year. Be aware that Board Meetings will be held on the first Thursday of any month. General Membership meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month beginning in January of 2010.

Shop hours will continue to remain the same through next year. A notice on the Shop door indicates the hours of operation approved by the Board.

The Metal Club will be closed Thanksgiving Day, November 26th, Christmas Day, December 25th and New Year's Day January 1, 2010. If you would like to see this Shop open on Christmas Eve, December 24th, then you will have to be Monitor also.

A motion was made, seconded and approved at the November Board Meeting to decrease the cost of our Club mailboxes to \$165.00 for residents and \$150.00 for members.

At the December 17th meeting we will be electing Club Officers for next year, 2010. The usual attendance raffle of two \$25.00 cash prizes will be replaced with a Pizza Party for attending members, to be served at the Club.

Today the Nominating Committee will present their slate of officers to be elected at next month's General Meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted, provided each such nominee receives two seconds and must sign an agreement to serve if elected. No further nominations will be accepted after today's meeting.

Two committee reports were given: Dave Eicke reported that over 100 mailboxes are on the way to completion. He reminded the membership of the fine work performed by the mailbox

committee and at \$165.00 per box, this committee generated over \$18,000 income to the Club. Dick Shuenke gave a brief report concerning the awning being erected over the rear door to the Welding Department.

Mike Loiselle next rose to deliver the report of the Nominating Committee for new Club Officers for the year 2010. The list of nominees is as follows:

President – Don Mellum and George Wildridge
First Vice President – Mike Loiselle
Second Vice President – Bob Freese.
Treasurer – John Grimes and Darlene Phillips
Assistant Treasurer – Shirley Mellum
At this point in time, no nominee for Secretary if offered.
Assistant Secretary- Bob West and Si Handzik
Metal Purchasing – Jim Hesser
Welding Purchasing – Terry Phillips
Supplies Purchasing – Ken Brauer and Dave Herring

Frank Morgan seconded each of these proposed candidates. President Wildridge next invited nominations from the floor. There were no more nominations from the floor for President. Bill Wagner closed nominations for President.

The President next asked for nominations from the floor for First Vice President and Don Mellum nominated Lee Palmer. Terry O'Toole and James Bergstrom seconded this nomination. Bill Wagner closed nominations for First Vice President.

For the office of Second Vice President, Don Mellum nominated Frank Morgan, seconded by Terry O'Toole and James Bergstrom. Bill Wagner closed nominations for Seconded Vice President.

President Wildridge next asked if there were any nominations for Secretary. No nominations were made.

He next asked if there were any nomination for Assistant Secretary. Don Mellum nominated Si Handzik, seconded by Terry O'Toole and James Berstrom. Bill Wagner moved to close nominations for the office of Assistant Secretary.

At this point Darlene Phillips decided to remove her name as candidate for Treasurer. Therefore John Grimes would be a lone candidate for Treasurer. Bill Wagner moved to close nominations for Treasurer.

No further nominations were made for office of Assistant Treasurer. Bill Wagner moved to close nominations for the office of Assistant Treasurer.

Dave Teslow moved to close nominations for the office of Steel Purchasing Agent.

President Wildridge asked if any other nominations would be made for Welding Purchasing Agent. Don Mellum nominated Bill Welnick, seconded by Terry O'Toole and James Bergstrom. Bill Wagner closed nominations for the Welding Purchasing Agent.

Last of all, the office of First Purchasing Agent would be sought by two candidates, namely Ken Brauer and Dave Herring. Bill Wagner also closed nominations for this office.

In summary, these actions presented candidates for all but one office, namely the office of Club Secretary. Ballots for this election will be printed up and presented to the membership at the December General Membership meeting on December 17, 2009. At the direction of our President nominations were closed.

Dave Teslow rose to request help to set up our Club's Art Fair and Sale, of December 5th. Members were also reminded that we have a charitable collection of "Toy's for Kids" to be donated to the Ladies Club of the Salvation Army.

It was regularly moved and seconded to close the Shop on Thanksgiving Day. All members were in favor.

All members were once again reminded of our election of officers at the December meeting and the Pizza Party afterward in place of the two \$25.00 attendance prizes.

The monthly attendance drawing went to Willy Stelter, #321 and Ken Russell #943, each received \$25.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40am.

**Respectfully submitted,
Si Handzik, Secretary**