

SUN CITY WEST METAL CLUB

Board Meeting – March 15, 2024

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

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Ken W., seconded by Ken B. to approve Feb. 9 Meeting Minutes - all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Joe provided a recap of club finances which includes payment of all club bills to date.

Safety Manual Review: The Safety Committee revised the Safety Manual wording for eye protection as directed by the Board at our last meeting. Lee made a motion, seconded by Ken B., to approve the revised Safety Manual and to forward it to the membership for their approval at the next General Meeting on March 21st. All were in favor.

Annex Man Door Project: Dave reviewed the draft CR-13 form, diagram of the location of the proposed door, and justification letter for the Board's review to install a man door in the annex area. The club has authorized \$7K remaining from the Building Contingency Fund (\$30K approved by the membership in May 2021) for this project. After discussion, all were in favor of pursuing this project. However, it was agreed to hold on proceeding until after the upcoming Rec Center Governing Board elections so that we can work with the newly elected board members.

Board Member Transitions: Board members were asked to meet with their respective new board members to review the Metal Club Officer Manuals and other transition items. The Posse Contact list and CR-5 forms were reviewed and updated.

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General Updates: Dave gave an update on the following items:

- Dave attended the Rec Center Chartered Club President Meeting this week. There are now 91 chartered clubs; the Metal Club is part of the Arts & Craft group.
- A member suggested club purchase of green welding jackets at Amazon for \$28 each; air-driven variable speed grinders; and a family club membership for spouses of active members.
- Stools have been placed near the ramp of the powder coating booth to prevent members from crossing over the ramp as a tripping hazard.
- There is a concern that the type of sand used by the Rec Center for the foundry pit will be too soft for the forklift tires. Special aggregate hard-pack sand was requested, but not installed.
- Slugger replacement blades are very costly (up to \$150 per blade) as members do not follow proper operating procedures for the machine. The Slugger is currently out of service; cuts can be made on the Ellis Band Saw.
- A suggestion was made to create a small desk area for a second club Monitor to provide better coverage in the Annex area.
- A CR-13 work order for an air line extension on the Phoenix has been submitted to the Rec Center. Overhead electrical drops for the cold saw have been installed by the Rec Center.

Roundtable: Ken W. suggested sliding the steel rack to the south by 3' to 4' so that the 12' flat stock can be safely stored and to prevent members from stockpiling their metal sheets along the wall.

Joe would like to work with the new Board members to establish budgets for each purchasing department area; a Purchase Order system for better communication between the purchasing directors and accounting area; and more consistent use of club accounts and credit cards rather than reimbursement through personal credit cards.

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Randy Mekus has offered to oversee maintenance schedules for all machines in the Annex area. Maintenance requirements for the air compressor were also discussed.

Wendi gave an update on club Instruction Classes: Norm Muzzy has successfully provided training for the Welding MIG classes backlog so we are current with training needs; Randy Mekus has provided Plasma Cam / Blaze classes this year and has significantly reduced the backlog for this class; Toynette Rolston recently created an Intro to Metal Artwork class that has been very well received by club members.

Motion to adjourn made by Joe, seconded by Ken W. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Submitted by Wendi Boos, Secretary – March 18, 2024