COMPUTER CLUB OF SUN CITY
BOARD MEETING: October 3, 2024
MINUTES

https://azccsc.com
10600 W Peoria Avenue, Room 219 ● Sun City AZ 85351
Phone: 623-933-8953 ● E-mail: ccsc@azccsc.com

PRESENT:
Officers: Alan Ruda, Gene Stashick, Joe Janos, Nolli Hartwell
Committee Chairs: Lori Daly, Dick Dudden, Mike Wendel, Zenon Sokolowski, Charley Housler
Group Leader/s: Isaac Bonifas - absent
Nominating Committee: Patti Rabe
Member Guests: Joe Gislason, Randy Hostettler
ABSENT: As shown

PRESIDENT Alan Ruda: Meeting called to order at 9 a.m., with the following presentation "first up:"

WEBSITE PRESENTATION BY WEB DESIGNER RICH CORNWELL: Rich shared with the Board his progress to date on our upcoming new website. Displayed on a large screen for our viewing, his presentation included numerous user-friendly pages – including a "Google translate" function – all of which were well-received by the Board. Rich stated he is open to suggestions, questions and comments. He also stated he's looking for some people who will start using and "testing" the site with a view to giving him some feedback. (Reminder: Rich's email address: richcornwell@me.com)

Following Rich's presentation, Lori moved the September Minutes be accepted and Gene seconded. Passed.

PRESIDENT:
Additional Agenda Items: None put forward
Correspondence Received: RCSC notified Alan of a meeting on Monday to re-do BP12 (Board Policy 12) from 9 to 12 AT SUNDIAL Recreation Center. Alan will attend.

President's Comments: Alan thanked Gene for filling in for him during his (Alan's) illness. Mentioning the fact Dick has had Joe (Gislason) backing him up, Alan suggested "every person here" should have a **back-up**. He suggested a letter requesting back-ups could be sent to the membership; and, a request for backups could be made at the November 14th General Membership Meeting.

Additionally, Alan suggested that if anyone wants to learn our **Membership/Sign-in program**, there is a book available as well as about a dozen videos. He stated the videos are informative step-by-step presentations which may be viewed here one at a time. He advised the videos may also be downloaded onto a flash drive. Mike Caplin, author of the program, will also agree to do one-on-one training for anyone who requests it.

OFFICER REPORTS:
TREASURER, Joe Janos: Joe reported that in September we took in $574 and spent $468 and ended up with $105.44 in our cash fund, which now sits at

$31,477.71. At this point, there was discussion of how payment will be submitted for our November 14th Volunteer Luncheon, with Alan advising it is to be paid with check or cash.

VICE PRESIDENT, Gene Stashick: Class/Workshop Attendance Report: Gene reported we had a total of 68 students who attended Workshops in September with our biggest attendance being Investing. 5 people attended classes. So far this year we've had 100 members attending Classes and 944 attending Workshops. This month Rich will teach an **AI Workshop.** Alan stated his first workshop will be Basic AI.

Dick advised Loring (Bernhardt) will start teaching a Word class in November.

Lori commented we need to do something about attendance sheets for Classes and Workshops because she has been unable to get information regarding **Aides,** i.e., who signed in as an Aide. She requires this information to help find out who will be eligible for the Luncheon.

GROUP LEADER REPORTS:

APPLE GROUP, Isaac Bonifas: Isaac absent. No update at this time.
LINUX GROUP: Alan suggested we should advertise the Linux group more often, mentioning that Neil (Feinglass) is here every Tuesday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP, Dick Dudden: Dick reported we have 757 paid-up members as of September 30th with 24 actual active days for September. There were 467 Club members in attendance during the month of September. 24 new members joined the Club in September and there were 5 renewals. In April we picked up 143 new members from the SunMac group, but basically the number of new members joining has been pretty low.

In answer to a question from Patti, Alan advised he **re-dates sign-up dates** to December 1st for everyone who signs up in **September, October and November, stating this validates those memberships for all of the coming year.**

TWO-STEP SIGN-IN/CHECK-IN: Although not on today's agenda, there was further discussion (from last month's meeting) regarding whether we need two-step check-in. Alan commented it is helpful to be able to determine who is checking in and for what. To make categories easier for members to understand, he is waiting for Mike (Caplin) to get back.

PROPERTY, Charley Housler: No update at this time.

EDUCATION, Mike Wendel: Mike advised there was one class last month **(101),** with 5 students attending, plus 2 Aides and one instructor. No one came for **Excel.** Larry O'Dea is out of the country so there is no Excel this month. He'll be doing it

again in November. What with no sign-ups for Excel, the conclusion remains that people prefer the one-day workshops. Mike advised he (Mike) is going on vacation from October 18th to November 4th, so he will not be opening the Club on the two Thursdays, 10.24 & 10.31.

At an earlier point during the meeting, Patti spoke of a recent retiree who is interested in teaching Excel. Asked if this individual is a year-round resident, Patti replied yes. Advising this same person states she has notified the Club previously of her interest in teaching and has never received a response, Patti mentioned the importance of following up with people who inform us they'd like to teach. Alan mentioned we also need someone to teach File Explorer year-round; and that anyone interested in teaching must contact Dick.

Zen said Larry (O'Dea) has suggested that because he is not getting enough people for Excel, he prefers to do Workshops only (as opposed to Classes), or, one-on-one.

MONITORS, Lori Daly: All is going well. Monitor training is scheduled for Thursday, October 17th at 10:00.

PUBLIC RELATIONS, Zenon Sokolowski: Zen repeated his request to us to get information to him well ahead of any workshops or classes. All is going well.

Dick asked if we could get classes set up on the calendar now for 2025. Generally agreed this would be a good idea. Dick will ask Loring and Larry if they'll agree to schedule classes in advance for each month. Mike commented that Larry would rather schedule training with people individually, saying he'd like to put up a sheet so that individuals who are interested in Excel could fill out the sheet and he (Larry) could contact the person with a view to working out a schedule . . . a somewhat different way than putting it on a calendar. Patti suggested she'd like to see more entries on the calendar, believing this would be more impressive to the membership.

(The three 3-year terms up for re-election are currently held by Alan, Lori and Mike).

RULES & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE (Mike Poore, Lori Daly & Alan): No update at this time. Alan referred to Board Policy 12 which is in the process of being re-written. Mike mentioned that among the proposed changes is the suggestion that two monitors should be on each shift at each club, an idea which is driven by safety concerns and insurance rates. Alan advised the Metal Club has 2 monitors per shift – but one of those monitors is actually doing sales.

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS:</u>

WEBSITE PROGRESS: See start of Minutes regarding today's presentation by Rich Cornwell. A1 versions of the Logo produced by Rich Cornwell came under discussion.

FACEBOOK PAGE: Jean Totten (not present at this meeting) advised Alan there are only two clubs which have Facebook pages. Alan believes we should write something up and post it on all the social media that's here in Sun City. Following Mike's explanation of the differences between Facebook Groups and Facebook Pages, Alan stated a preference for a Facebook Page -- which publishes general information but enables neither comments nor discussion.

CLUB OPENER CALENDAR: Mike stated a notice now appears on the Teacher's Room bulletin board stating who opens the Club and on which days.

ADVERTISING SIGN: Alan distributed a proposed design as an update to the sign which goes outside the door when the Club is open. He will contact Pam Raisanen to see if she'll agree to do the art work. Lori suggested if Pam is unavailable, we could look for someone within our membership. Alan wishes to keep this item on the agenda.

BADGES: Alan mentioned some of the clubs change the color of their badges every year, asking how board members feel about this idea**.** A discussion ensued, resulting in no general agreement. Tabled for now.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: November 14th, 1 p.m., Rooms 3 & 4.

VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON: November 14th, 11:45 to 12:45, Rooms 1 & 2. Patti has received many replies and will work with Z to get out another notice.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business presented at this time.

GOOD AND WELFARE: Welcome back, Alan!

At **10:30 a.m.,** Joe Janus moved and Zen seconded that we adjourn. Passed**.**

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7th, 2024, 9:00 A.M.

Nolli

Nolli Hartwell, Secretary

Draft Minutes Distribution: Board Committee Chairs Group Leader
Final Minutes Distribution: Board Members√ All Attendees√ Tech Services√
Group Leaders√ Web Team – D Prokop√

C:\Users\nolli\OneDrive\COMPUTER CLUB\MINUTES\2024\OCTOBER 3 - FINAL.docx