

MINUTES

SUN CITY ANTHEM HIKING CLUB

GENERAL MEETING – Feb 4, 2019, 6:30 PM

Greg Waterman called meeting to order on Feb 4 at 6:30 PM

a. Introduction of New Members

Barb Quackenbush – Albany, NY
Dennis and Yuko Martin - Washington
Jerry and Connie Pauley – Kansas City, MO
Cara Cameron – Chandler, AZ
Ian Hudson – Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada

b. Approved Minutes from Jan 7 Meeting

Susan Dona moved minutes be approved, move was seconded –
Minutes were approved

c. Hiking Hats with Logo – Available for members - \$15 each. Bring
check made to SCAMR Hiking Club before or after meeting

ByLaw Changes

Bill Brown delineated ByLaw changes. Intention is to bring ByLaws into line with how the club operates.

- Rename Steering Committee to Executive Board
- Add 3 new officers to Executive Board – Hiking Coordinator, Membership Chair, and Member-at-Large – for a total of seven.
- The 3 new officers would be appointed by the Executive Board.
- Terms of new positions will coincide with elected positions as follows:
 - President/Treasurer (elected) – Member-at-Large, Website Coord.
 - Vice-Pres./Secretary (elected) – Membership Chair, Hiking Coord.
- Enhance Member-at Large position to include regular interface with club members to discover issues and enhancements that the
- Executive Board should consider. Include outreach to area hiking clubs and resources to enhance club membership.
- Transfer club communication to Secretary, instead of Membership Chair, as defined in ByLaws.

- Add non-voting member to Executive Board entitled, Website Coordinator. Since website is now integral to much of what the club does, we need a technical resource for website issues relating to proposed Executive Board actions. This person will be the interface with website programmers to implement Executive Board actions.

Membership voted – Gene Kuhn motioned that the vote take place; Larry Witacheck seconded the motion. The membership approved ByLaw Changes.

Volunteers for Life Expo (Feb 16)

Greg Waterman requested members to volunteer for the 3 hours of the Life Expo on Feb 16 to hand out information about the hiking club and membership forms.

Spring Hiking Trip to Prescott

Bruce Odegaard spoke about the upcoming hiking trip to Prescott.

- Register on-line for trip. Go to March and click on the first day of the hike and sign up for the trip.
- On the 14th of March, sign up for one of 3 hikes:
 - 1.5 miles at the Granite Dells
 - 3.5 miles at the Granite Dells
 - 8 miles at Goldwater Lake (15 miles south of Prescott)
 - If have time, great places to visit are downtown – the Courthouse and Whiskey Row, Montezuma’s Castle, Jerome, etc. There’s also great shopping in Prescott.

Hiking Library

Bruce Odegaard noted that we have roughly 20 books and around 20 maps that can be checked out by club hikers. He keeps the bucket of books and maps at his home and can be contacted at bodegaard1@aol.com or 206-396-5472.

Special Hikes – Upcoming

Bill Scott reminded us there are two special hikes left.

- Friday, Feb 22nd – Tonto National Monument – Ruins \$7 per person
- Wednesday, March 6th – Bird Hike at Gilbert Riparian Park \$5 donation to Audubon Society

Safety/Emergency Situation

Bill Scott introduced several safety items:

- Handout on How to Tie Boots on each table – if aren't enough for everyone, this handout can be accessed through the REI website.
- Hiking Club has 14 Rules for Safety and Courtesy on the Trail. These rules are gone over in the Orientation that all members of the club go through. They can be found and reviewed on the website under Hikes then by picking Guidelines and are the 2nd choice on the menu.
- Safety situation – If someone experiences a snake bite on a hike. The hike leader will get that person to a safe place, isolate them, and pick two people to help. The rest of the hikers should move away from the victim. The leader will probably also pick one of the hikers to lead the rest of the hikers back to the trailhead. The leader will then calm the victim and organize things so that the victim can travel back to the trailhead where 911 can be called and can find a local hospital that can take a snake bite victim. (Do not make the decision of where to take the victim without checking with 911 first. They know where there's a snake bite unit that knows how to handle this emergency.)

PRESENTATION – AZT Hike

Tracy, Greg, Bruce

(Snow Bowl to South Rim of Grand Canyon)

Slide presentation of the 7-day, 88.8 mile hike.

Questions and Answers

Cluster – If haven't signed up, Michele will have to invite you. Call or e-mail her – mgazica@hotmail.com or 720-438-9094.

May rain Tuesday Night, if it does, hikes will be called off. Watch e-mails.

Adjourn – Movement was made to adjourn and seconded – the vote carried.