

**SUN CITY ANTHEM HIKING CLUB**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES – Held via Zoom**  
**DECEMBER 17, 2020, 9:00 AM**

Attendees: Susan Dona, Bill Brown, Bill Scott, Barb Taylor,  
Jim Boardman, Tracy Mecum, Bruce Odegaard, Greg  
Waterman, Bernie Wood

1. Call Meeting to Order – Susan called the meeting to order at 8:59 AM.
2. Approve November 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes – Susan asked for approval of the minutes. Jim Boardman motioned the minutes be approved; Bill Brown seconded the motion and the Board approved.
3. Welcome Barbara Taylor – Susan welcomed Barb Taylor as our new Vice President. She also thanked Bill Scott for his many years of service to the Hiking Club.
4. Membership Report – Bernie Wood  
Bernie reported we had 147 new and renewed members with 2 memberships pending.
5. Proposed 2021 Budget – Jim Boardman  
Jim presented the Proposed Budget for 2021. The Board had no corrections to the budget, and it will be submitted for approval to the General Membership at the meeting on January 11, 2021.
6. Website Update – Bill Brown  
Bill said the good news is that there are no new issues with the website to report. Our new management firm, Radiate WP, is currently working on two issues: 1-The website is not updating expiration dates of membership when members renew; 2-Whenever changes are made

to the website, expiration dates are incorrectly extended. Currently Bill is having to make these changes himself manually, which takes an enormous number of hours every week. We also have a couple of other problems that Radiate needs to correct that are also taking up Bill's time, but they haven't been assigned to Radiate as yet. They are duplicate hiker sign-ups and sending e-mails to the members which is currently a manual process. These are items that Radiate will work in the future.

7. Outreach & Meetings with Superior – Greg Waterman  
Greg reported that he, Bruce Odegaard and Bill Scott have been coordinating with the US Forest Service, the Town of Superior, Legends of Superior Trails (LOST), and Wild Arizona to plan our participation with the Arnett Creek Trail maintenance. They are also working with the Arizona Trails group and planting new signs for the AZ Trail in the Picketpost area.
8. Wallace Gardens Special Hike – Bill Scott  
We have tentatively booked January 20 for the docent tour of Wallace Gardens. We will be divided into 2 groups of 9 for the tour. Attendees will be invoiced \$10 per person if they are members of Boyce-Thompson. The cost will be \$24 for non-members. Chris Burkhart has done an amazing job of arranging the special hikes for us. We owe her a debt of gratitude and will make a special effort to acknowledge her service.
9. Casual Intermediate Hike Coordinator – Bruce Odegaard  
Bruce has a couple of people in mind to fill the Casual Intermediate Hike Coordinator position, but if we have anyone who might be a good fit for this position, please let him know.

10. December Hikes and Future Hike Discussion
  - a. What went right

40 people a week went on hikes for the 3 hiking days in December. There were no complaints about carpools. Our hikers all had a great time.
  - b. What went wrong

One of our hike coordinators/leaders resigned. CI hikers didn't break up into 2 groups when they had more than 10 hikers. People want to bunch up when we stop for breaks or move aside to let other hikers pass.
  - c. Improvements

Parking lot sign at the Union Center guiding hikers to the proper gathering area. Remember to remind hikers to keep social distancing and pull up their masks whenever we stop.
  - d. Upcoming hikes

Hikes for January have been selected, we will get hike leaders for them and get them on the calendar. Notify hikers to remind them to update information on their nametag.
  
11. General Meeting and Board Meetings until the end of the current hiking season (end of March). We will have General Meetings on January 11th and on March 22nd. We will potentially add another General Meeting in February if the Webinar in January goes well. Our Board Meetings will move to the following dates: Jan 21, Feb 18 and March 25.
  
12. Agenda for January 11th Meeting:
  - Call Meeting to Order
  - Approve Minutes
  - Approve 2021 Budget
  - Membership Report – Bernie Wood
  - Special Hikes and Hike Safety – Bill Scott
  - Hike Statistics for December – Bill Scott

President's Corner – Questions and Answers  
Adjourn

13. Adjourn – Bill Brown made a motion that the meeting adjourn; Bernie Wood seconded the motion and members voted approval.