Minutes Board Meeting Sun City Anthem Hiking Club Monday, February 17, 2025 Cushman Conference Room

<u>Attendees:</u> Martha Scott, Robin Bistline, Tracy Mecum, Pam Veire, Bernie Wood, Bruce Odegaard, Kim Odegaard, Greg Waterman, Chuck Boxrucker, Chris Spurgeon, Gino Loni

1. Call to Order – Martha Scott

Martha called the meeting to order at 3:57 PM.

2. AllTrails App – Gino Loni

Gino has been looking into using AllTrails to keep maps of our club hikes, and he has contacted AllTrails personnel to see if what we want to do will work. He confirmed that we will be able to set up an account that only our club can access and include all our hikes so that we can upload a map of each of our hikes to follow. Our hike leaders can use their personal accounts to access the maps for our hikes on the AllTrails website. We discussed several ideas and questions the Board had and then a motion was made by Bernie Wood that the club should purchase an account on AllTrails to begin setting up our hikes and testing them. Bruce Odegaard seconded the motion, and the Board voted approval. We discussed setting up an email for the club to use in setting up the account, and a decision was made on an email name that would work. A committee consisting of Gino, Bruce, Bernie, Tracy and Chuck was set up to fulfill the steps needed to make this system work for the club.

3. Approval of January Board Meeting Minutes

Martha asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes for January. There were no additions or corrections requested. A motion was made by Bruce Odegaard to accept the minutes as written; the motion was seconded by Robin Bistline, and the minutes were approved.

4. Hiking Club Calendar for 2026

The schedule for 2025 has already been submitted.

Tracy presented the proposed Calendar for 2026. It was suggested that we change the dates for the January Board Meeting to Monday, January 12, and the Potluck to Monday, January 19.

It was also suggested we add the Community Hike for 2025 – Saturday, November 29, and the Community Hike for 2026 – Saturday, November 28.

5. Membership Report – Bernie Wood

The club currently has 183 members. No new hikers have applied for membership.

6. Financial Report – Pam Veire

The current balance in our account adding dues and after expenses is \$7862.

7. Hike Coordinator – Bruce Odegaard

- a. <u>Trip to Chaco Canyon</u> On Tuesday we will tour the Aztec Ruins. On Wednesday, there will be 3 hikes to choose from. The 3 hikes: short, intermediate, and upper intermediate, have been tested and chosen by our excellent hike team. We will be staying in Farmington, NM. Details will be firmed up in the summer, and we will keep the membership informed as more information is known.
- b. <u>Hike Leader/Sweep Training</u> This training was held in the Kitchen-end of the ballroom. After some fooling around with the sound system so that it was split out properly, and some issues with the HDMI connection in the room, we had an informative class held by our local Fire Station. Once the presentation was complete, we adjourned to the Fire Station where emergency scenarios were set up for us to experience and handle. The class was excellent, and we had good feedback from our hike leaders and sweeps. Originally 31 people signed up for the class, 26 ended up being able to come. The club served pizza to the participants at the end of the training. The remaining pizza was donated to the Fire Station.

8. Old Business

a. <u>Stargazing Final Details</u>
 Do not promote anymore. We have 80 people signed up. Food

has been purchased, and chefs have been chosen. Teton Ken will tell stories about the Superstition area, and we will have several people from the Superstition Astronomy group with telescopes and information about the stars, planets, constellations that will be visible that night. Martha will be sending out an email to everyone attending with information and tips about what to expect, a star gazing map. and applications to download.

b. End of Season Fiesta

There will be a planning meeting on March 4th at 3 PM at Martha's house.

9. Next Board Meeting date – Monday. April 7 at 4:00 PM. (This time has been subsequently changed to 3:00 PM due to the issues we've had with the website.)

10. Adjourn

A motion was made by Bruce Odegaard that the meeting adjourn; Robin Bistline seconded the motion. The Board voted to adjourn at 5:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Mecum