

OBSC Meeting Minutes

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 11:07 by President Pat Sledge, making a triumphal return after partying with his real friends in Vegas. The President beat the VP's call to order by 3 minutes.

Scribe's report: No challenge flags were thrown, or annoying white board displayed, so the minutes were accepted as read with one "nay" from the ghost of T-shirt Bob who hijacked Flamingo's body.

Treasurer's report: \$5,315.65 US \$807.80 (MX) • \$6,103.33 \$7,484.04 (MX) Tucson Sue reported that she ordered 500 new bank checks, and we were gouged \$165.94. She commented that whoever succeeds her as treasurer (when she dies) would have a lifetime supply of checks. We also received a reimbursement from the Vecinos AC for the plumbing parts we paid for. The OBSC's policy is that if we can't drink it, eat it or take it with us, we're not paying for it. Pres Pat commented that our expenses exceeded income, but we had paid our clubhouse rent. Otherwise, we would have been in the black. Motion to accept the treasurer's report and there was no "nays" even from the ghost of T-shirt Bob.

Membership: Annette's surprise was considerably better; the acting lessons may have paid off. 132 members paid for 2024. The numbers have been so good, they are flux-free.

Infirmary: Jennifer Hayes passed away on March 31, 2024 from complications of Parkinson's disease. Betty Lopez had to return to Arizona for a blood transfusion. Sherry reported through text that Betty was much better and both would be returning to Cholla soon. Bob Keller has a cardiac ablation and is doing well. Donna is in Arizona and she also had an ablation following a cardio-version. Pres Pat reported that he had smashed a finger, but didn't think it arose to the other operations and procedures. Sandy Luker threw husband Harry under the bus (again) by reporting that Harry had fallen on his ass off a ladder. Harry complimented Sandy on "aways having his back to run a bus over. Harry commented that his pride and ass were a bit sore. He further reminded us that he had given Lew a hard time after he had broken an ankle after a ladder incident. Flamingo said there should be a moratorium on the 65-plus crowd climbing ladders. Harry seconded the motion. Unfortunately, we are seriously short of 65-minus personnel.

Clothes Closet: Sue had some new items embroidered and reported she had sold some Hawaiian shirts. She was race-shamed for commenting that the new shirts ran very small and probably "Asian sizes". The first order was fine, but this second order was very small. Sue will be looking for new supplier that specialized in normal sizes for normal. Pres Pat commented that the shortage of 65-minus people included a shortage of normal people as well. The crowd pointed out that Pat Goodin, Angelina and Rebecca would have a nice selection of small shirts. They would feel large by wearing an XL Asian shirt.

Sargent at Arms: Flamingo volunteered to be the Sargent, but Roger had already claimed the "privilege". We assumed Flamingo couldn't wait to get an unproperly attired Elaine's dollar or anything else she offered up. At this point there was unintelligible laughter and finger pointing. After the laughter subsided, \$3 was collected. Oddly enough, the same amount as Harry's first tip jar. Pat reminded the membership that OBSC=logo apparel must be worn to the meeting or face a \$1 fine. Tattoos were not acceptable, but Flamingo declared that undergarments were perfectly OK, but Tucson Sue said the undergarments had to be exposed. For the new members benefit, Pat explained how to get a plaque in the club with your name on it. He also commented he received \$20 from a member but didn't know who gave it to him. He made a feeble attempt to blame the error on Sue, but that "nice try" was DOA.

Social media: Sue uploaded a bunch of fotos from the BBQ as many people were snapping pictures. The membership was reminded by to send Sue and/or Lew their fotos and videos. The website is up to date with coming events, past newsletters and meeting minutes.

Building Committee: Harry reported the BBQs need attention before the steak fry. Once the repairs are made, the barbecues will be ready to go. Pres Pat thanked Jerry C for donating the new burners.

Old Business: Sue didn't keep track of wristbands sold. Sue estimated 150 were in attendance by counting the plates used. Elain and Sue collected \$65 in tips. Annette reported she had \$1 more, although some tip padding was suspected before today's meeting. Pat Goodin made a motion that Sue be "Treasurer for life" for doing such a GREAT job. Sue reported already is, after being treasurer for over 20 years with no cruise in the known future. Lew tried to show up Sue by claiming he had done the newsletter since 1995. Sue reminded us that 1995 was before she was born. We all agreed that it was a great party!! A lot of members helped the day before and the day of the party. Going forward, Pres Pat burst our bubble by saying that we need leaders of each function like we did in the old Bash days. We were flying by the "seat of our pants", but it worked out. The biggest issue was the beer kegs. In the future we will get the kegs a day or two earlier. Roger pointed out the beans were so good that we ran out. Another issue is ice. Rich commented that we probably get ice delivered. Another suggestion was to use bulk block ice like the shrimp boats use. We will make notes on the issues and make improvements next year.

New Business: The next function will be the Steak Fry. Lew has been buying steaks at Sam's club a little at a time. We will have 100 steaks by the event. The steak are "cook your own". The dinner will include a baked potato, garlic bread and a salad. Jerry volunteered to grill some vegetables. We will have Mark Mulligan do a show after dinner. The dinner will start at 5:00PM with Mark singing at 6:30PM. The cost will be \$20 for anyone; after the steaks are gone, we will have SRO tickets for \$10. The dinner and SRO will include unlimited beverages. There was a discussion on where Mark would play inside or outside. Pat felt if he was outside, we would get a lot of "freeloaders" hanging out in the parking lot. We decided to keep the show inside. There was a long discussion was on tickets vs reservations, etc. It was decided to do "first come-first serve". After the 100 steaks are gone, there will be SRO. There will be no presales. The membership was reminded to use the WhatsApp group for soliciting help for the parties. See Jerry C to be added to our WhatsApp group. Jerry C also proposed we investigate covering the front patio with some type of permanent structure. He has a source in Penasco and will get a price. Pres Pat said we were thinking of a joint venture with the Vecinos AC and CBSC and will bring it up at the next Vecinos AC meeting.

Future dates:

Spaghetti dinner/clean out the fridge: June 15

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:50AM.

Submitted by Lew Felton, Scribe