

2019 Annual Membership Meeting – Sun City Center Yoga Club

Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President Mae-Ellen Dowdy in the absence of the President (resignation in December 2018) at 2:05 in The Sandpiper Room-North Campus.

58 members were present at today's meeting. Quorum was met.

Mae-Ellen thanked everyone for attending. The club has had an impressive year. Accomplishments for 2018: Increased class attendance and club membership numbers; two new instructors approved for year 2019, increase in the holiday CA gift fund amount, VA memorial fund contribution (large brick), drafted a preliminary policies and procedures document, and purchased additional yoga props for class use. During 2018 three board positions became vacant (Treasurer Utley Smith & President Nancy Cottrell for health reasons and Vice President Mae-Ellen Dowdy for personal matters). There have been three members who have volunteered to fill these three positions (to complete the remaining year of the original two-year terms). They will be introduced later in the meeting.

Approval of Minutes from last year's annual meeting held on 1/17/2018: Secretary Anita Hill. Copies distributed to membership. A summary of this meeting was read by Anita.

A motion was made and seconded to approve last year's annual minutes.

Financial Report: (See attached PDF)--Acting Treasurer Sandra Kerezsi

Sandee reported the starting balance, deposits and disbursements for 2018. See the attached copy for details. Bank account balance at close of year end (12/31/2018)=\$12,950.13.

Membership Report: (See attached PDF)--Membership Chair Sandra Kerezsi

Attendance increased dramatically from previous year (2,530 participants). Reminder to all members to sign in daily on class attendance sheets.

Website Report: Secretary Anita Hill

Poster displayed of website name: www.yogaclubsc.org. Thank you to Lynne for design and implementation of club website. Anita listed the detailed headings which show up-to-date information on bylaws, class & study group schedules, club officer contacts, board/general membership meeting minutes, and picture gallery.

Publicity Report: Pat Jones

Pictures taken by Pat who said she enjoys photography. Class pictures to be taken of participants with a new camera Pat just purchased (see gallery on website). Posters displayed at gym bulletin board. Fun-Fest (spring) participation in the health area of this event. Hi Neighbor event (fall).

Program Updates: Education Chair Lynne Sells

Food contributions to be taken in for distribution to local food charities. Bring to class. Thank you for donations that are very needed by the community. The club is proud to be the largest donator of food by the pound.

Thank you to instructor Kris Richter who had to relocate based on her families health needs. Lynne detailed instructor histories (Lynne & Sandee came to the club first). Sue Croley came to the club next as the first certified instructor to join the team. Sue spoke about her commitment to yoga and how she likes to give back with her work devoted to the Southeastern Guide Dog Organization (which is a non-profit) as a puppy raiser. All money raised is through donations. Through yoga Sue gains energy to devote to her second love – the guide dog organization. Lynne said that Kris came next but she had to leave sadly. In a class one day, Teri Goszka introduced herself to Lynne saying that she was a certified yoga instructor and hence Teri came next to the team. Teri talked about how grateful she is to be a part of the teaching staff. Lynne brought up that with the training schedule for her advanced credentials, she needed to find some additional help. To that end, Debbie Frost was chosen to teach chair classes (starts in February) and Susan Caputo was chosen to teach yoga basics classes (starts in March). Susan spoke about what she will be teaching and the importance of mindfulness and form that a yoga practice brings to a yogi.

Lynne reported that she will be looking into the possibility of sharing testimonials within the club (health benefits/pain reduction, etc.) Lynne will collect these stories to inspire and help us.

The instructors have introduced the new SCC Yoga Club Etiquette document. Copies distributed. Lynne will be sending out to the club via email. She read through the document and explained each item in detail.

Introduction of Officers

New officers introduced – President Phyllis Laufer; Vice President Ann Giuli; and Treasurer Craig MacIntyre. Continuing Secretary Anita Hill. Committee chairpersons: Membership Sandra Kerezsi; Presiding Past President Coralease Ruff; Education Lynne Sells; Publicity Pat Jones; & Social Jan Libbey.

Mae-Ellen thanked all in attendance for coming.

Phyllis shared two upcoming events.

The meeting was adjourned at 3 pm. Refreshments and social hour to follow.

Submitted by Anita Hill – Secretary

For: Phyllis Laufer – President

Ann Giuli – Vice President

Craig MacIntyre - Treasurer

Attachment 1 – Treasurer's & Membership Report – Year 2018

Attachment 2 – SCC Yoga Club Etiquette

Attachment 3 - Attendance record for 2019 Annual Yoga Meeting (1/16/2019)