

Minutes from Solar Guild/Citizens for Solar meeting (SG/CFS), February 3, 2015

(9) people attended, Meeting started at 6:03pm and ended at 7:23pm.

There were no treasurer's reports from either group.

Land with no Name (L w/n N): Kate Hodges was in attendance to answer questions and give more background on the L w/n N project and more particulars in what they were looking for regarding how SG/CFS can help them reach their goals. They want to install a 48 V heat pump unit for the container and future development of solar lighting for illuminating sculptures, etc. It is a 25 acre outdoor education and sculpture park, acting as stewards of the art. There are 30 artists represented on site. with trails to connect and a insulated 24' shipping container there that is used for a classroom and a place to get out of the relentless sun, or stay the night. There was a group visit on February 8th, with all interested parties meeting 10:00am at "Todd's Restaurant", Ryan Airfield on Ajo Highway west of Tucson and then carpooling in from there. We shared a potluck lunch picnic. The site was pristine, high desert, beautiful and remote. The road in was fun in the extreme, especially on this writer's motorcycle. Yeehaaa!

Jim Click Raffle: All paid for stubs need to be turned in by November 6, 2015 with the drawing on November 13, 2015. The first 100 tickets must all be gone before the next lot can be disbursed. Please do not hold on to sold stubs or unused tickets, and if tickets are lost, there is no chance of getting any more. SG/CFS holds on to the stubs and turns them in en- masse. There is no tax write-off opportunity for the raffle due to the prize factor.

Phil Miller Energy Talk: This very informative talk will take place on March 3 in lieu of our regular monthly meeting at the Ward 6 offices. It will start at 6:30pm. It is suggested to purchase a raffle ticket to guarantee a place at the talk as there can be no admission charge. All attendees receive +/- \$60.00 worth of energy saving merchandise, and there will be refreshments.

Solar Potluck: April 11th, 2015. The music coordinator would like \$100.00 for her services, and there is a call out for musicians. Like previous years, the schedule will be music and lectures alternating throughout the day, with a stellar jam session during the dinner time. Toby will handle the chairs and tables. Tee shirt re-design will be mastered by Rob Crosland. The solar oven supplier from Utah will come, and donate a oven to the raffle. "Edible Baja" magazine is doing a special article on solar cooking for their April/May issue and will highlight the potluck as an opportunity to see and taste solar cooking in action...basically free advertising from a locally respected source. Possibility to have the raffle car on a trailer on site to help hawk tickets! Beer will be available to workers of the potluck on the days but not for sale to the public as it proves to be too much of a hassle, so come, work and drink good beer with good friends! Marana School District will set up a table and have a solar oven.

Other business: Earth Day celebrations will be April 18th, a Saturday before the actual day (the 22nd, Wednesday). "Intel" will have an Earth Day celebration and was looking for solar cookers to participate. Pima Solar Partnership Solar Home Tour needs solar installs to showcase, so if anyone knows of a install, please contact Bruce Plenk. Valley of the Moon Solar Fall Potluck will be September 19th. **Ward 6 meeting place:** After meetings are adjourned, all parties must exit building and have designated key person check and lock building due to problems in the past. Socializing can continue in the parking lot or our favorite watering hole across the street.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Watt, Secretary, SG/CFS