

## Minutes from Solar Guild/Citizens for Solar, July 1, 2014

The meeting took place at the Ward 6 offices, beginning at 6:02 pm and ending at 7:47 pm. There were (10) members present. (Patrick Murray, Jonathan Watt, Patrick Cobb, Ron Kuykens, Rob Crosland, Charles Wacker, Chien-Wei Han, Bruce Joseph, Sue Lee, Eric Lee).

### **General Business:**

Bruce Joseph, current president of the combined group, tendered his resignation because he no longer feels involved and in the loop in what is going on. A recent change in his employment meant he was unable to attend meetings and communications were not following through. Rebuttals were encouraged and he was assured the situation would improve. Alyssa Boz-Saminego on the Citizens for Solar Board needs to be removed from the roster as she has moved away. **Alerts** from the State of Arizona regarding the respective organizations (SG/CFS) need to be issued to all people on the board which will include a calendar for all legal events, updates and any pertinent information. These reports should be generated at least bi-annually. **Jim Click Jeep Raffle tickets** are still available. It was encouraged for all board members to purchase tickets! A portion of ticket sales goes directly back to SG/CFS as an incentive! Buy those tickets, folks! A Jeep could be in your future. "Paypal" could be used for ticket sales-more research needed on this. Jack Langley has the account information. Mention was made of the "Community Service Fund", the funds should go to Solar Guild because of our 501c3 status. Donations from entities can get a tax write off. As a possible example, the ramada lighting at Catalina State Park was funded Citizens for Solar with labor for the project provided by Solar Guild. **Fall Solar Potluck at Valley of the Moon (VOM)** A committee was formed, ( Bruce Joseph, Vivian Harte, Patrick Cobb, Toby Schneider, Eric and Sue Lee, Jonathan Watt, Charles Wacker, Bruce Plenck). Girl Scout materials are available to be used for demonstrations, (3 panels). There was discussion regarding a stand-alone system at the VOM lighting the old "Magic Carpet" statue and a pump. Bruce Joseph has an additional (2) panels available for use, also. Vivian Harte has a list of contacts for local solar related companies. Jenn Macdonald will be our music agent again. Food trucks are a possibility for the day, maybe on a rotational basis, ( "Isabella's Ice Cream" was mentioned). Telescopes for night viewing of stars was mentioned, as well as possible beer sales, due to being on private property, yay! There are (2) restrooms on site, but "portapotties" will probably have to be secured for the event. There could be a crowd issue due to the close location to lots of people, so parking and crowd control could be an issue. Other

presenters are being considered in addition to ones we have had before including sustainable agriculture, BICAS, Native Seed Search. Raffle prizes will be needed from like minded groups, any ideas? Advertising was much better at the Spring Pot Luck, with ample coverage in the local papers, radio spots. This time will be the same, with the addition of the Tucson Visitor Center and the Pima County website. **GoodWill:** Teachers at GoodWill want to be more involved in the solar teaching and demonstration, so a workable curriculum and schematic will be developed by Solar Guild. Solar Guild will also be the on/off site contact. Charles Wacker of Schletterer will generate a powerpoint of the tour of the factory for the future.

**Random business and new projects:** Patrick Cobb has volunteered to put schematics of all Solar guild projects on the website, (Biosphere II, TEP Test Yard, Catalina State Park Lighting). "Like" Solar Guild on Facebook! Website needs a link to Facebook. Plaques for designed and installed systems done by Solar Guild listing donors and maybe volunteer names would be a great idea. **Calling all ideas for projects!** Some mentioned include a maintenance visit to both Catalina State Park and Biosphere II. Solar lighting installation at "Xerocraft Maker Space", "Heart of Tucson" animal rescue facility solar lighting for animal stalls.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Watt, Secretary