

6/2/15 Meeting

Attendees: Pat Murray, Bruce Joseph, Cheryl Bene, Charles Wadew, Gael Sladky, Carol Montgomery, Jaime Gomez, P.Cobb, Jack Langley, Meli Engel arrived late and began notes. Rob Crosland Arrived later, and Sue and Eric Lee after.

Topics

Notes picked up upon Meli arrival with Patrick talking...

Solar cooking program for building at site xerocraft recommended by Charles.

Bruce explained about budget split for CFS into projects and cooking program funds.

Bruce brought up engaging engineering students for activity for solar design challenge. Some discussion of various ways to present idea to students.

Congrats 5 yr anniversary for solar guild

Equinox potluck at VOM Sep 19 and need to get this planned, vendors, cooks notified, etc.

Solar 101: Bilingual speaker and in south Tucson district for solar outreach with Grijalva's office in support. Wants club to do the legwork.

Patrick spoke about solar 101. Activity had tapered off. Grijalva support brought in interest and the Spanish market. Discussion about political implications, is this really pertinent to the solar work? Dark money and contributions mentioned. Pat Described the commercial of mom making peanut butter sandwich that the neighbor with solar is taking peanut butter off her kids sandwich cuz she has to pay for them to have solar. This is what he means about dark money being spent on such ads against solar. If we had coverage on the other side and keeping the solar to keep the economy in AZ. Patrick said If it is your business you need to be involved and fight for sustainable Tucson. Bruce plank could give talks about the solar industry. It could be more publicized and get more people there to hear about the issues. Net metering and such.

Alexis Tameron, chair for AZ democratic party and speaks Spanish. Pat thinks Alexis would be a good person to do the solar 101. Pat shared a bit of her bio.

Discussion ensued about the proposed policy and cost effective use and real dollars info not available.

Rob brought it back to would Alexis be able to fill an hour on solar or would there need to be more than one person for the program.

Rob moved Meli be accepted as secretary, seconded, third and fourth. All in favor called with ayes carried. On that topic Pat asked if anyone else wanted to be nominated to the board, as prior restrictions for length of membership were no longer inforce. Chuck is willing to serve on board. Rob nominated, seconded and vote carried. Pat was nominated as advisory to board by Jack. All agreed.

Pat explained that the Secretary serves for both clubs jointly, while other board positions may be held separately to either Solar guild or Citizens for Solar.

Projects and classes:

Goodwill system with Jayson: No proposed date depends on availability with the guild participants. Program will be 2 days, one in class and one on build. Want to have operable systems there so can do somethings with them. Measure voltages, partial teardown, etc. Maybe Friday would work. Wants to have some training, hands on, and some on the job experience. Wanted to try using the current solar array to run a cooling system for the containers at a remote site. Club is able to use of the girls Scouts' system, and they are happy with the current status of the system staying at goodwill. Both sides said they are happy with the arrangement. Maximum of 5 people to do the on the job experience, so if some connection with employer groups known by guild members can be made for this to occur?

Rob said reason guild was developed was because he tapped people on the shoulder to get class participants out

to job site for experience, and liability was an issue. Pat said the goodwill program requires the 5 participants to have a car, so they can get to a site and on time. Goodwill pays the students' a wage so they are under the goodwill program so the contractor will get them for free labor for the day. There is still time to arrange the specifics, and have some flexibility with time and day. May need to split up the 5 to different companies.

Shooting for this to happen later in June, after orientation on June 8-13th. Have 6 weeks from then.

Rob wants to help George Belick who brings the solar trailer each year to potluck, with his project and cover 2 birds with 1 stone. A worthwhile project and our thanks for all he has done for us. Wife is running nonprofit so has not chosen date yet.

Solstice potluck at mt lemmon.

Will be a camp over at top above ski resort under the top of the lift. Primitive camp. Rob will steak out early. Will set up banners and hope to get some travelers interested in solar cooking, and hand out any cooked items to passerbys. More intimate event where club members can become better connected, but still open to public, and free. June 19-21.

Adgenda review. Michelle Higgins no longer with Girl Scouts is now with Flandreau planetarium. SarSef, 1500 students do science projects and put at TCC for public review. Wants our help with this program. Mentioned going to pcc and see classes there. Pat mentioned minutes on the website and caution for personal info listed in minutes. TEP did flash test and provided panels. Want judging teams, mentor high school student, provide award, things like that.

Carol can get in touch with the people with that and connect to girl scouts. Rob had big kick from working with the girls and seeing them be empowered.

Pat asked who was list for CFS board? Rob would like email addresses to give to Vivian Heart to do a monthly newsletter. Pat said he has the list. Vivian would like to be more involved, but not on board, so this is a nice entry for her.

Respectfully submitted,

Meli Engel

6/8/15