

Meeting called to discuss merging the two groups

Location: 1702 Speedway at 12:00pm

Attendees: Board: Bruce Joseph, Robert Bulcheck; later, Patrick Cobb

Guests: Meli Engel as acting secretary, Mike Coyle

Groups descriptions and potentials:

Solar Guild(SG) is AZ corporation commission while Citizens for Solar(CFS)is a 501 C3 unique class of non profit.

The group does many things jointly. It was suggested a merger could reduce redundancies in the groups and help encourage greater participation in both groups.

SG has been more project and PV focused in a hands on activities and coordination with Pima CC and UA solar students. SG has also been connected with a political vein from the prior and in the works coordination of political support using mayor and council supported projects which grants access to their funding for publicity and networking lists. CFS has been community and social focused with passive solar in the solar cooking events for which it carries a liability insurance coverage paid annually. In the non profit status the group may not contribute nor en mass make political statements, though members are free to participate however they may politically.

Upcoming Projects:

CFS has Valley of the Moon solar cook event in September, though no specific assignments have been made for bringing this together.

SG has been discussing putting in a solar PV project for Land with no name, a private entity that collects large sculptures that have no home, mostly from UA art students.

Robert reported the funds in the treasury that are split to form a general fund (2723.81) and a community service fund (2706.32).

Click Car Raffle:

Bruce stated the raffle revenue has been a lifesaver for funding Citizens for Solar which needs approximately \$400 per year to function with insurance and other costs. UA mall is hosting a large car show over memorial weekend, and it was suggested making some signage to attract attention and walking the show could precipitate ticket sales.

Processes:

Discussion on email list serves and the inability to link between web site and meetup and group spaces account email lists which may cause some to miss receiving while others receive multiples. Bruce wants to complete updates on the website and use that more effectively. Meli mentioned that more sites reach a broader scope of people for posting events, so multiple avenues, while it may have some problems is still a good idea. Robert is very adverse to receiving 20 emails when one should suffice. Bruce agreed one would be nice if people would reply to the one email, yet for all to know the response when narrowing down an agreed meeting time and location, it does generate a string of correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,  
Meli Engel