

Leather Club General Mtg minutes
January 12, 2024

President Jim Bergstrom called the meeting to order, a quorum was established and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Secretary, Peg Fischer, reported that the minutes of the last meeting had been posted on both the club bulletin board & website since the last meeting. There were no corrections or discussions. A Move to accept the minutes was made and seconded.

Committee Reports: Comments/discussions were accepted during the reports

Instruction/Classes, Sewing Machines & Maintenance

- It was suggested a \$5.00 fee be charged for all sewing classes to begin February 1, 2024.
- Sam indicated maintenance on the Cobra would take place next week. The machine will be oiled and a sign indicating possible oil drips will be posted. Please be aware this could affect a member's leather project.
- Sam is still looking into the purchase of material for use with the punch tools in order to avoid dulling them.
- Social Activities: Jay announced information about the upcoming Spring Fling dinner to be held February 14th, 2024. He needs people to volunteer to set tables as well as serve.
- Jay is heading the club's participation in the annual Relay For Life Cancer Fundraiser February 18th, 2024. He asked for members to please sign up to volunteer.
- Weebly Website: The site is up to date
- Monitoring: Peg indicated a drawing for 4 members who monitored 4 times during 2023 would be held at the end of the meeting.
 - In the future the club will hold a drawing to offer \$10 club bucks cards to members who have consistently volunteered throughout the year.

- Jim requested the snowbirds to please try to complete their monitoring requirements now instead of waiting until next Fall as the slots are limited and fill up quickly then. This also helps out those members who must monitor during the summer if the club is to remain open.
- Peg reminded new members to let her know the date of their first monitor shift so she can assign an assistant to help them.
- It was also brought up that the first monitoring assignment for new members must be in the morning.
- Signup Genius: It seems to be working well. If anyone has problems, they can contact Peg.
- Communication/News : Most members are receiving emails, however, there seems to be a problem with sbcglobal.net emails. Members who have this address are not receiving emails. The problem seems to be generated from the account provider.
- No 365 program for the current year; Bob's health is failing therefore he is unable to continue his implementation. The club will take this matter up after future research.
- Happy Camp: The March project is set but needs to be tested. Volunteers signed up at the general meeting in December.
- Classes: It was suggested that the club collect the money for classes prior to allowing anyone to sign up. This will help limit the number of no-shows and allow those on the waiting list to attend earlier than anticipated.
- Class schedules can be found by the printer & on the website
- Show Windows: These are changed monthly thanks to Charlie & Jean
- Sharpening Tools: Please use something sturdy but flexible under the tool with which you are punching. Dull tools need to be put in the red can in the tool room.
- Safety: Bruce Wallen is the club's new safety coordinator.
- Reference/Library/Advertising: no report

- Stock Inventory/ Purchasing/ Library Display: everything seems to be going along fine

Treasurer's report: (Kim)

- Club Finances: See posting on the bulletin board
- Membership Renewals: Mike Carlino, Jim Swanson, & Patrick Kinnaman volunteered to phone call members who have not renewed.
- Kim reminded everyone to put money for purchases under \$5.00 in the red cans and fill out the purchase book for any item over \$5.00.

Vice-President report:

- Patrick encouraged members to let him know what kind of donuts he should purchase for the next meeting.

Old Business:

- Opportunity to serve—continues!: The club would like someone to either attend in person or monitor online the Rec Center Charter Club Meetings. They are on the 2nd Tuesday each month at 1:30pm.
- Bandsaw sale: The sale of the Bandsaw has been postponed to a later date, as it is needed for another project.

Floor open to discuss any membership old business:

- Skiver: It was moved and seconded that we purchase a skiver. The cost will be around \$800.00. Allen will be in charge of the ordering. The club will pay the cost for Allen to attend the skiving tutorial class in Prescott.
- It was decided that a limited number of members will be trained on the skiver and will facilitate all skiving needs.
- Phone: A motion was made and seconded to discontinue the club phone service.
- New Member Class: A motion was made and seconded to remove the \$10 club card, the pocket knife, & the pen from the

new member packets due to inflation. This allows the club to not raise the price of the class.

- Allen, Dick, Sam, & Patrick will meet to decide whether the cost of the New member class should be raised and the amount if any.

New Business:

- Floor open for Membership New Business
- A motion was made to sell the Juki sewing machine and replace it with a Cobra 20 as the Juki does not meet the needs of the club. It will be purchased and Dick will transport it from Prescott.
- Dick and Peg will facilitate selling the Juki.

Next Meeting: March 1, 2024, 9:00 am

The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 am.

Submitted by: Peg Fischer, Secretary, SCWLCC