

Rock-N-Gold
General Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6.04pm by President Don Arnold.

President: Don Arnold led the meeting attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and introduced the Board of Directors. Visitors were acknowledged and welcomed by the membership. Don also recognized the Directors that were serving in other positions. He stated that our club runs pretty smoothly because of the coordinated assistance of these individuals.

Rock Shop Staff: Tom Edwards and two new volunteers were introduced, Bob Benevides and Mark Rotchy.
Programs and Presentations: Tom Edwards
Gold Equipment: Monty Duarte
Purchasing: Pam Rothermund
Field Trip: Bruce Wingate
Website Coordinator: Larry Tobey
Raffle Ticket Sales: Lisa Arnold

Secretary: Denise Walker read minutes from January 10, 2022, minutes. No corrections were noted. Motion to accept and 2nd, motion carried.

Treasurer: Lamar Holt gave the treasurer's report: Ending balance \$9,135.90. Motion was made and 2nd, motion carried.

Vice President: No comment

Membership Director: Lamar Holt stated that we have 134 memberships. The attendance at the last meeting was 38 and the raffle ticket sales were \$135.00.

Webmaster: Larry Tobey said the Girl Scout Leader link was added to the website. He asked for photos of club activities to be sent so they could be uploaded onto our website.

Equipment Director: Monty Duarte. Monty told the club that Andy Alberty passed away and a memorial was to be held at the Pahrump Museum on February 26, 2022. He also stated a few volunteers are need operate equipment for a demonstration at the museum on April 23rd. The museum contact is Marilyn, and she can be reached at 775-751-1970.

Trip Coordinator: Bruce Windgate He stated he is currently surveying areas for field trips. There was some interest in going to places that the club has already been. A field trip was planned for February 19, 2022, to just outside of Crystal. This field trip is to be led by Brad and Jennifer Swanson. The meeting place is the parking lot at Road Runner Road turnoff at 10:00am. Brad stated we should be able to find agate, jasper, Apache Tears and much more.

Purchasing coordinator: Pam Rothermund. Absent. Don reminded everyone that clothing was available for purchase from either GI USA or Yolo Travel.

Rock shop coordinators: Tom Edwards. Don stated there is a \$2.00 donation recommended to use the equipment. There was a date set for Open House at the Rock Shop, which was February 26, 2022, at 10:00am.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BLM Fees...at the past meeting Larry Barbier mentioned that we may be paying too much so Allen Harned volunteered to look into this matter.
2. Larry Tobey discussed the Gold Claim Boundaries, Placer versus Lode Claim explanation, markers used, etc. No one had any questions.
3. Membership indicated an interest in using the rock shop so it will remain open.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Bob Benevides and Mark Rotchy, two new volunteers, will be at the rock shop as needed for anyone wanting to use the facility,
2. Open house cleanup is needed before the open house date of February 26, 2022. The date will be determined later, and an email will be sent.
3. The open house date was set for February 26, 2022, at 10:00am
4. As mentioned previously, a field trip was planned for February 19, 2022.

SPEAKER: Bruce Wingate gave an awesome presentation on petrified wood. He had a large variety of petrified wood on display and gave information on the various types and where they could be found. A few people had questions and they were answered.

Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn at 7:15pm, 2nd, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Walker
Secretary, RNG