

General Meeting Minutes Sun City West Woodworking Club 11/04/2025 at Palm Ridge

Meeting called to order: At
1:00 pm by Ron Wilson

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present:

Ron Wilson	Jim Casey
Roger Hunzeker	Bob Simmons
Merrikay Vidal	Ed Sproull
Tim Ogle	Gary Roberts
	Stan Mifflin

Club Members/Visitors:

65 members in attendance. A Quorum was not met.

Secretary:

-October meeting minutes will be posted tomorrow along with the minutes for todays meeting and approved at next months meeting. **Treasurer**, Merrikay Vidal:

-See attached treasurers report.

Vice President, Roger Hunzeker:

Need everyone to clean up your workstations, belt sanders had a nice glue streak down the middle of the paper and both needed to be vacuumed and cleaned. Please take care of our equipment and clean it when using, it helps the club, and the next person that needs to use it.

Education Committee, Jim Casey:

- Open Classes this month
 - Lathe II – Basic Bowl Turning
 - Natural Edge Bowl Turning

- Wood Preparation
 - Wood Finishing Methods
 - Trays and Charcuterie Boards
 - Milling Machine
 - Monitoring Class (you get a credit for taking the class)
- Question about CNC and box classes that are not on the schedule. We will be putting more CNC classes on the schedule, we are looking for volunteers to teach more classes.

View from the Lumber Room, Stan Mifflin:

-Same story, different month. Over the last 30 days we see that things are not getting put back where they belong, if you use something or see something out of place, put it back where it belongs so the next person can find it and use it. Work Safe, Work Smart, thanks **Safety Committee**, Bob Simmons:

- One thing I learned last month in the wood prep class. When using table saws, the saw stop is still active for a couple of seconds after the blade stops. If you touch the blade before the lights stop blinking, it will fire. The stops will fire with wet wood, body parts, and metal - anything that can conduct electricity can fire the stop. There are two different stops that happen, a hard stop when the blade is spinning, a soft stop is when the blade isn't moving - both cost the same.
- Observation of the log saw. When slabbing a log, make sure the saw is off (especially in between cuts). Keep the floor clean between cuts to avoid slipping.
- Had a question about ear protection that used to be in club, the club does not purchase ear protection for members, the previous ear plugs were donated and now gone.

Social Committee, Roger:

-Tickets for the Christmas party, if you purchase through the lumber room, please keep your receipt. If you purchase tickets online, your name will be on the list. - The Christmas party is on December 11th at 5pm. We are looking for donations for raffle and door prizes.

-There will be hot dogs at the tool auction.

Maintenance Committee, Gary Roberts:

-We are in good shape this month so far. Having trouble with a few of the ring bowls. The proper bit to be used for the center hole is 33/64", the pulleys are getting out of round, we are researching replacements.

-Looking for new lights for the large disc sanders, we have an ongoing problem with members leaving those machines on and walking away.

-Please be careful when you are tightening router bits, spindle sanders, they do not have to have death grips. The only place in the shop that should be tightened hard are material on the CNC machines.

President, Ron Wilson

- Tool auctions in the future won't be the same week as orientations and meetings. Anyone that has tools that they want to donate to the club for the tool auction.

Old Business:

-Survey for not cleaning. Results are by thirds:

- $\frac{1}{3}$ thought things were going well

- $\frac{1}{3}$ didn't like the wording of the survey

- $\frac{1}{3}$ recommended punishment that the Recreation Center wouldn't approve

We are going to put more cleaning items (brooms, dust pans) out to help people find the things that they need to clean their workspaces. We like to use the honor system for people to keep equipment and areas clean, please think about that, if you are jumping from machine to machine, take the extra time to clean each machine before you leave it. We have cameras and can find the ones that are not keeping things clean, we just don't like spending the time to track violators down. Long discussion amongst different members with how to solve the problem. If this continues to be a problem the board will address it with a new policy.

New Business: -None

Next Meetings:

-Board meeting is Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025, 11:30am, Palm Ridge

-Next general meeting is Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025, 1pm, Palm Ridge

Motion to adjourn by Ralph Kwapiszeski, seconded by Michael Carberry, meeting adjourned at 1:51pm

Submitted by Tim Ogle