

SSV COMPUTER CLUB
Minutes for the October 3, 2018 Business Meeting
Fall Kick-off Meeting for the 2018 - 2019 Program Year

President Diana Grubb called the SSV Computer Club's (hereinafter "Club") business meeting to order at 10:01 AM on October 3, 2018 in the San Tan center meeting room.

Following housekeeping tasks, President Grubb introduced all elected officers and key volunteers present: V/P- Programs Diane Castelli, V/P-Operations Jim Palfini, Apple Program manager Dick Lund, Treasurer Bruce Miller, Education Coordinator Julia Hoon, Membership Coordinator Darlene Verstraete, and Secretary Allen Schaeffer.

By way of announcement, President Grubb offered an opinion about the decreased cell phone signal range of carriers in several parts of the community, most notably in the area south of Guadalupe Road. She then offered a solution which could allow affected members to boost signal strength through manipulation of smart phone settings. There was immediate interest by many members present.

Next, President Grubb began the Club By-law ratification process by asking for any comments / changes to the existing By-laws. After discussion, and there being no comments about, or requests for changes to the By-laws, upon a motion by Allen Schaeffer, and a second by Bob Grubb, the By-laws were reaffirmed as currently written by acclamation.

President Grubb then reminded the membership that 2017 – 2018 dues were now payable and that forms were available on site and on the Club's website, ssvcc.com, at the "Membership / Forms" menu tab. Secretary Allen Schaeffer discussed the new membership form in some detail. Continuing this year and beyond, , dues must be accompanied by a completed and signed membership form which gives the Club officers permission to use the members' e-mail addresses for direct member communication via Google Groups. All Club announcements will be via this electronic medium. No member personal information will be available outside the Club. Membership coordinator, Darlene Verstraete, will continue to manage the Club's Google-based member database.

President Grubb introduced Treasurer Bruce Miller who presented the Club's financial position. As part of this presentation. President Grubb commented on the recent renovations in our normal weekly home, the San Tan center, and that our Club had been asked to contribute to the funding of this facility upgrade. While Club officers had agreed to donate \$1,000.00 from our treasury to help fund this project, our enhancement requirements were ignored. Given this, President Grubb, acting on behalf of the Club, withdrew our dollar commitment. After reflection, the HOA concurred with our position. The set-aside funds were returned to our active account balance for use on coming projects.

President Grubb, for ongoing information purposes, turned to two (2) spending opportunities that may be forthcoming: 1) A new, state-of-the art overhead projector for the front screen, and 2) wearable, hands-free microphones for Club and outside speakers who appear on our programs.

Regarding the projector, she commented on the fuzzy nature of the projected material on the front screen, and contrasted that print to the newer rear (presenter) screen which is crisp and sharp. No current pricing information has been compiled for any of this equipment since the HOA regards this request as Computer Club-only usage and therefore our cost. In the past, other funding has been

available for such equipment to help defray our expenses, notably through the Bingo organization. President Grubb alluded to the fact that such funds might again be available.

President Grubb then opened the meeting floor for comments and input concerning our annual program topics, and introduced VP-Programs, Diane Castelli, who reviewed the just-complete Summer session topics which many had missed. She then asked whether any of the topics should be considered for re-run inclusion on the Fall-Winter schedule. Several of the members indicated items of interest. The Club officers are taking these under advisement. There are several open dates on our calendar and some of these re-run topics could work quite well filling the slot(s). Working with Educational coordinator, Julia Hoon, Ms. Castelli will determine whether the accrued interest warrants a meeting presentation, a class, or the forming of a Special Interest Group (SIG).

There being no further meeting topics, President Grubb adjourned the business meeting without motion at 11:05 AM, October 3, 2018.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of October, 2018,

Allen Schaeffer, Club Secretary

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