

## Spanish Club SCW General Meeting and Valentine Fiesta

February 13, 2023, Palm Ridge Recreation Center Summit Hall

President David Hodnik called the meeting to order at 5:19 p.m. David welcomed all new members and thanked them for being there. He also thanked Mimi Williams, our past president, and all our language instructors. 80 members attended the General Meeting and a quorum was declared.

**Minutes of the November 17, 2022 General Meeting:** Minutes were approved unanimously after Arlene Foster made a motion for approval, seconded by Brenda Melcher.

**Treasurer's report for the period ending January 31, 2023:** The report was accepted.

**Club Name Change:** The Club's name was changed to *Spanish Club SCW* in order to standardize the Club name. Paul Vorhees made a motion to approve the new name, seconded by Mike Ward, motion carried unanimously.

**Club Bylaws Amended:** The Club's bylaws were reformatted to meet the Recreation Centers standardized format. The Board of Directors then decided to amend our bylaws to more closely reflect our club. These amendments were communicated to the membership at Beardsley Rec Center, the Club website, and emailed to all members having an email address on January 12, 2023. The floor was open for open discussion, hearing none a motion to accept the amendments as communicated was called. Carol Sanders made a motion to accept the bylaw amendments as communicated to the membership on January 12<sup>th</sup>. Tish Iwaszuk seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Vice President Replacement:** Tish Iwaszuk is stepping down from the Vice President position in the Spring 2023. Club member Michelle Remmy has stepped forward to fill the position, with the transition date to be determined. Michelle is a native Oregonian. She retired from a career in state government, and worked for a non-profit for five years before moving to Sun City West in 2019 to live year around. Michelle says she looks forward to helping the Club continue to offer high quality educational and cultural experiences. Tish Iwaszuk made a motion to approve Michelle Remmy as Vice President replacement. Brenda Kruse seconded. The motion carried unanimously. David thanked Tish for her important contributions.

**Programming recognition:** Our Club is very active with multiple opportunities to participate. Mexican Train games are led by Arlene Foster and occur the second Tuesday of each month through April; Book Club will continue via Zoom, with the next book, The News from Paraguay; Cooking classes, led by Kathy McFarland, continues with the next class Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>; Austin McGeary presents a monthly Spanish movie night, with the next one, Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the Lecture Hall, "Intimate Stories;" Travel Club will meet March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 in the Lecture Hall to discuss the 2024 travel plans. Fiesta Primavera and the next General Meeting are scheduled for April 4<sup>th</sup>, and will feature a pot luck dinner.

**Meeting adjournment:** Greg Kupka made a motion to adjourn, Kathy Farrell seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m. A buffet dinner and dance commenced.

Respectfully submitted by, Barb Eischen, Secretary