

Lincoln Hills Photography Club

Board Meeting Agenda Minutes

Monday, March 11, 2024

9:00 AM

Multi-Purpose Room in Orchard Creek Lodge

Call to Order and Attendance: Approval of February 2024 Minutes

Present: President Ron Nabity, Co Vice President: Truman Holtzclaw, Co Vice President Diane Margetts, Treasurer: Phil Harmon, Secretary: Nancy Whitaker, Membership: Heather Brown, Technical Adviser: Gary Sloan.

Motion to Approve February 2024 Minutes: M. Truman Holtzclaw, Sec, Ray Avakian, Motion Passed.

Chair Reports:

Treasurer: (Phil submitted treasurer report in advance of Board mtg.

Balance 1/31/24 - \$3,009.94
Member dues - \$60.00
Raffle Prize - \$(25.00)
Balance 2/29/24 - \$3044.94
Plus, petty cash - \$200.00

Membership (Heather) There are now 161 members, with 113 households.

General Meeting: (Ron)

i) March 2024 meeting program: Moose Peterson will present via Zoom, topic: Aviation Photography. Carol Smith and Truman worked to bring this program to us.

ii) April meeting: Truman will present a program on using shadows to improve our images.

iii) Question: Should we have repeat presentations? Reference was made regarding “Placer County Photography club Dennis Morgan’s presentation of underwater photography. Members requested that his presentation, though excellent, had been presented too recently to consider it again. Dennis told Heather Brown that he was putting together underwater iPhone photo presentation in January 2024.

Future presentations possibilities: Associated Press Photographer, and River Cats Baseball Photographer.

Communication: (Diane)

Please have all material for publication into Diane by the 14th of the month for both the Compass and Sun Senior News.

Website: (Ray submitted web report in advance of Board mtg)

March 2024 – Photo Club Website Summary

February 2024 Updates: General Mtg, Exhibits, Photo SIG, Smartphone SIG, Meeting Videos, Calendar, Analytics, Admin, Galleries – Red Challenge (x3)

New Member Application = 2 (1 household)

Website Unique Visitors: February – 94 (110 in January)

Videos (* 2/14 through 2/29)

2/14 “Red Challenge” – 15 views (4 in Jan)

2/14 Give Me Five Members Slide Show -5 views (13 in Jan)

Field Trips/Challenges: (Les submitted report in advance of Board meeting.)

- i.Rookery Trees:** Thursday, March 14 Flash Mob event
Announcement will be sent out Monday afternoon to All Members.
- ii.High Hand Nursery:** Diane is planning a visit for the end of May.
- iii.McKinley Rose Garden** – Local day trip in the morning, Mid-April during “First Bloom: Date to be determined.
- iv.Monterey Asilomar Field Trip** – April 23-April 26 – Pre-Trip Planning Party was held on March 7. The number of participants is now 38 and there is still time for more members to register. Contact Les Thomas for details.
- v.Suggestions for possible future trips.** Horton’s Iris Farm in Loomis may be opening soon.

Exhibits: (Klara, Rhonda, Denise) No Exhibit Committee members were present.

The Art League of Lincoln has contacted Truman regarding their plan to ask our club to exhibit photos for the City Hall Rotunda. This Committee consists of DeAtley Cahill, Robin Immen and Larry White. The deadline for exhibiting is March 15

Photography SIG: (Les submitted report in advance of Board meeting.)

- i.Mastering Flower Photography with Your Smartphone** was held on March 6 ~46 participants with standing room only for some.

- ii. April 3, 2024, SIG Planning Team is exploring topics with wide appeal for our members. We are trying to plan on having topics and presenters committed for two months in the future. We are developing a list of topics with wide appeal and then seeking out presenters. (Examples: Major changes in photography resulting from Artificial Intelligence developments. How to Master Fine Art Photography (This may be done in two or three consecutive SIG meetings.) Smartphone Photography Technical advances in Your Future. New releases of models and software updates, Pet Photography
- iii. Several potential “member” presenters are being considered and we are discussing utilizing outside presenters. Several have been selected for Presentation. Ken Spencer of our club and the Mac group, Sam Shaw, and Ken Silverman from the Mac Group. Truman offered to talk to Ken Spencer about an Artificial Intelligence presentation in May or June.

Unfinished Business:

Social Events: (Diane) She checked on the best Saturday for another Show and Tell, ‘our Extravaganza’, and decided that May 18 (a Saturday) would be the best day, since Gary Sloan was available that day for collecting the slides, and for running the presentation. Diane will be looking into reserving Presentation Hall, and the Kitchen for socializing.

New Business:

- (a) **Smartphone Class** – (Les submitted report in advance of Board meeting.)
 - i. Brief report of current class. Les to present status. Plus, other Board Member participants: Nancy, Heather, Truman, Phil & Ray.
 - ii. Several concepts to discuss.
 - 1. There is very high interest in the topic.

2. Provide another series of classes for new participants.
 - a. Who would lead? Les is out of town and not available.
3. Is a suitable room available? Keep at 20 participants in the present room (if available)? Or change to audience seating and jam more into the room? (I think the quality of the learning setup is most important; the quantity of participants is secondary.)
 - iii. The graduating class of March 2024 wants to keep their group together and keep learning. Format, time, places to meet, challenges, more learning etc. needs to be developed. Leaders. Rotating leaders on a monthly basis?

Photo project – “A Day in the Life of SCLH”-Ron sent out an email describing a draft concept for a potential photo project for the club. (refer to Ron’s email dated Feb 22, 2024) – let’s discuss this idea and see if we might want to pursue it or something like it.

Adjourn Meeting: 11:28 AM Motion: Phil Harmon, Sec. Ron Nabity, Motion Passed.

Ver 2, Submitted by Nancy Whitaker 3/24/2024