



# West Valley Astronomy Club (WVAC)

## Virtual Meeting and Workshop Minutes – June 2, 2020

Location of Meeting: Online

Board Members and Volunteers Present: Bob Randle (President), John Cline (Vice President), Beth Oudean (Secretary), Bob Colvert (Program Director), John Hiatt (Outreach Coordinator), along with other volunteers and club members total of 16.

**1** - The meeting started 7:00 p.m.

**2** - President Bob Randle welcomed everyone and asked those in attendance to view the Website Resource Page as it contains numerous resources to aid in their star gazing experience as well as a copy of “88 Constellations and their Brightest Star Chart” and other useful websites.

- Additional Virtual Meetings/Workshops are being planned for the summer months members will be notified via email. If you are interested in being a presenter please inform Bob Randle.
- Star Parties have resumed and are open to our members and the public, the next Star Party is scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Fall reassemble plans are underway and it looks like we might be able to host in person meetings starting in September more information will follow. Current plans are to have Mr. James Renn as our guest speaker, his topic will be “The Vatican Observatory and the Big Bang”
- We would like to express our appreciation to Susan Adkins for her faithful volunteer service as our Hospitality Host, she recently resigned from her duties. If anyone is interested in volunteering for this position, please contact Bob Randle.
- Since our membership contact has been limited, if you know of a member whose been ill and needs assistance please let Bob Randle know.
- Bob Colvert was the evenings guest speaker; topic “Stellarium Software” which is a free open source planetarium for your computer. It shows a realistic sky in 3D, just like what you see with the naked eye, binoculars or a telescope. Stellarium shows exactly what you see when you look up at the stars and Bob gave an exciting insightful presentation on the use of this program explaining the various option buttons and how this program can enhance your night sky viewing.

**3** - Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Note: Minutes submitted by Club Secretary Beth Oudean via email on June 3, 2020.

Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bob Randle (President) (MM/DD/YYYY)