



# West Valley Astronomy Club (WVAC)

## Virtual Meeting and Workshop Minutes – July 7, 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), Deb Bleikamp (Contest Director) and Paul Bleikamp (Events Director) along with other volunteers and club members total of 18.

**1** - The meeting started 7:00 p.m., Deb Bleikamp was the Zoom Host.

**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 upcoming webinars.

- 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 July 11<sup>th</sup>.
- August's Virtual Meeting topic: Vulcanism in our Solar System, watch the website for more details, **this meeting has a start time of 6:00 p.m. watch your emails for further information.**
- We are seeking a member to replace the Hospitality Host position once we reassemble, if anyone is interested in volunteering for this position, please contact Bob Randle.
- Fall reassemble plans are underway with the possibility of hosting an "outdoor in person meeting" in October watch the website for further details.
- John Cline; Club Vice President was the evenings guest speaker; topic "West Valley Astronomy Club Beginnings", our club history expands some 34 years and was started by Jim Crisman in 1986 with the club's original name being "Astronomy Club of Sun City West". Our club has had 8 Presidents (Jim Crisman 1986-2003, Ron Mobley 2003-2007, John Cline 2007-2008, Ed Whitfield 2008-2010, Dr. James Smith 2010-2012, Walt Schlam 2012-2018, MaryAnn Balzer 2018-2019 and Bob Randle 2019-present" in its history all Presidents have contributed inventive and interesting programs to enhance our club and bring in new members. John shared numerous photos and interesting facts of the club's history and his workshop notes will be available to members who are interested.

**3** - Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Note: Minutes submitted by Club Secretary Beth Oudean via email on July 9, 2020.

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