



West Valley Astronomy Club

Virtual & Physical Combination Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 4th, 2022

Meeting Format: In person with ZOOM to our remote attendees

Board Members & Volunteers Present:

Bob Colvert (Treasurer & Program Director), John Hiatt (Secretary and Outreach Director), along with other volunteers, club members and visitors (20 in person + 12 in Zoom = 32 total present).

1 - Opening Remarks: The regular meeting of WVAC was called to order at 7:00 pm by Treasurer & Program Director Bob Colvert.. Bob Introduced himself and thanked everyone in attendance. The next Star Party updates are available on the WVAC website: <https://wvac.net/events/star-party> . Back to the OLD LOCATION for now.

2 - Speakers: Bob Colvert introduced our speaker, Alexandra Nachman.

Alexandria has been involved with astronomy for five years. She has learned how to take images through the telescope with her camera, has joined an astronomy club, and processes images from the Hubble Space Telescope for fun. Due to her first year as a Solar System Ambassador, her knowledge of astronomy has grown immensely and she is more involved in this hobby than ever before. She is currently on the Board of Directors for the East Valley Astronomy Club. The Zoom meeting will be posted to the club's YouTube Channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKvjojN-81Mpe4xkmbigk2w/videos>

3 - Future Meetings: The February through May speakers are lined up. The May picnic will tentatively be held at the same park location as last year in Sun City West.

Future Outreach Activities: John Hiatt has contacted the City of Surprise, The White Tank Library and the Peoria Library regarding our outreach for 2022. The City of Surprise was not able to be of assistance. Both libraries, on the other hand, were very enthusiastic about hosting meetings available to the public. John plans to also approach the Surprise Library. Cori Charles has a contact for John, they will get in touch.

Future Club Field Trips: no information

4 - Other business: Bob reminded attendees that they can renew their club membership for 2022. \$20.00 dues for 2022 paid to the order of WVAC. Bring payment to a meeting, or mail a check to:

Janie Randle / Membership Director / 13738 W. Summerstar Dr. / Sun City West, AZ 85375.
Membership is currently at 85-90, with 40 paid through 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Minutes submitted by John Hiatt, via email on January 5th, 2021.

Minutes approved by: _____ Date _____
Bob Randle (WVAC President)