

## Honeywell Retiree Social Club Minutes

Wednesday, March 29, 10:30am, via Zoom

Sherry (Maxson) Myers, Secretary

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In attendance: Kirk Anderson, Mary Barkl, Kevin Harris, Doug Metzger, Sherry Myers, Kay Nye

1. February 2023 meeting minutes were approved by all.
2. Website/e Bridge report – Kevin
  - Terminology improvement: terminology on the website and in email communications was improved by replacing words with possible racist connotations; specifically, “webmaster” is now “website manager,” “White list” (the email addresses you’re allowed to receive email from) is now “allow list,” “Black list,” not currently used, would be replaced by “block list” or “deny list.” There is still a link to a white list guide but Kevin has no control over it. Many other websites and organizations are making or have made similar changes.
  - Website maintenance and updates: on the home page, improved “Tips for eBridge readers” based on recent experience and research.
  - eBridge distribution: March eBridge went out, didn’t have all the re-sends as February had and the cause of the Excel problems was identified and can now be avoided. Ted Rees agreed to make changes to the membership database to help in this.
  - Newtek credit for unused Windows hosting: when we paid for a year of Linux hosting, Newtek said we would receive a credit for our unused Windows hosting that would be applied against our next year’s Linux hosting. We paid for a year of Windows hosting on 10/17/2022 that we stopped using three months later (1/17/2023). Newtek wanted to give us only eight months’ credit but with much effort on Kevin’s part, they agreed to credit us for nine months and they’ve agreed to automatically apply the credit to any payment we make, not just for hosting. Kevin has this confirmation in two separate emails from Newtek.
3. Treasurer’s Report – Doug

No checks written this month.

Doug’s Treasurer’s report checks with the February Bank and PayPal statements.

Doug projects we’ll spend around \$250 on the Spring Picnic as we did last year and \$100 on Fix-It Guys although he knows of no expenses in this area this year. It may not have restarted after Covid but Doug needs to check around with the folks managing it to make sure nothing has happened.

Only other issue was the website issue Kevin reviewed.

In February, we had over \$100 in dues, half from checks, half from Paypal. In March, we had \$70 in dues, all from checks. Doug checked this yesterday.
4. Cruise Update – Barb

Barb not in attendance, she won’t have any updates for a while. Next cruise starts in a few days.
5. Bridge Status/Issues – Kay

As of today’s Board meeting, Kay had not received a copy of the March 2023 paper Bridge. Traci Hetterley was on vacation and didn’t return until March 21st. Apparently the people she had designated to fill in for her didn’t do it. Kay sent her an email this morning to check on the status and she said they were mailed out on Monday, March 27th. She told me that it takes three to five days to process them so that means she had to take care of it herself when she got back. Kay received her copy today.
6. Zoom purchase due – Mary

Zoom purchase is due next month (April). Mary didn’t want to continue with Zoom because of all the problems but, because of the convenience and minimal cost, Doug doesn’t have an issue paying it for the year even though we don’t use it in summer months. Invoice was \$100 last year per Mary. After we got cut off at last meeting, Mary spoke with someone who explained the problem (wrong user ID used).

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7. April picnic same day as our meeting – Mary

Since our meeting conflicts with the Spring picnic, we agreed to move the meeting to April 19. Kirk, Doug and Mary will work at the picnic. Everyone who is going, make sure to register on the web in the next couple of days so they have our count. There is a link on the Bridge to the online sign-up form. Doug got an email last week or so that they have 50-60 from their club and we have 10-15 from our club signed up. Mary got an email last week that 47 people had signed up. Those working the picnic should get there about half an hour early or call Larry Bowe to ask specifically.

8. Need new members – Board

We still need new Board members so if you know of anybody interested, let them know.

In the Bridge, be sure to push for getting renewal membership because April is the end of the fiscal year. Will have it in red in the April eBridge. The people who have not renewed has grown more than normal. Can tell on the Treasurers report, for example, at the end of February the membership dues the number of people who paid for 2023 is 302, paid for 2024 is 223. Doug takes these numbers from Ted's database, updated every month.

9. April positions open 2022 – Board

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am. Next meeting: Wednesday, April 19, 2023, 10:30 am, via Zoom.