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November 17, 2021 - Monthly Meeting Minutes

IN-PERSON MEETING

SV Cultural Hub, [4002 E. Hwy 290 @ Sunset Canyon Drive](https://austin.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=bd2a3f6d714f03edabfaebd9e&id=dee90e5397&e=08348628d5).

Start time: 6:35 pm

16 folks in attendance

After general howdy-do, our President, Patty Robertson, called the meeting to order:

**AGENDA**

One:

In accordance with the PODS Bylaws (Art V, Section 7A), elections were held for the club’s officer positions. Floor nominations were solicited to add to those running and officially recognized at the club’s October meeting:

 President Fred Cerkan

 Vice President Sandy Ryan

 Secretary Tim Graves

 Treasurer Tim Kasberger

No new candidates were nominated from the floor and the slate of officers listed above was unanimously elected for 3-year terms beginning January 2022.

Two:

The group discussed plans for the club’s 2021 Christmas get together. Our President reported that the date most popular from our survey respondents is Saturday, December 11, from 3-5pm.

The get together will be at the SV Cultural Hub and will include a “pot-luck” spread (deserts or appetizers) and a “White Elephant”, photography-related $20-25 gift exchange. Beverages can be purchased at the Hub.

Three:

Warren Capps, our Immediate Past President, discussed a possible January (week of the 10th) trip to the Bosque del Apache in New Mexico (near Socorro). He explained that various club members have made the trip over many years and the bird shooting (cameras only) opportunities are outstanding. He added that it is likely a 3-4 day trip and lodging is best had at the Holiday Inn Express in Socorro. He asked that folks who want to journey northwestward in January to contact him.

Four:

Several folks (Laura Griffith, Fred Cerkin, Rich Everhart, Warren Capps, and Cathy Jones) shared their photos taken at the recent Songwriters’ Festival in the Drip. Laura Griffith (our Past, Past President Emeritus) explained that the festival started in 2014 and now includes songwriters from Texas, many other states, and a few foreign countries. All songs performed must be originals.

Many of our presenters discussed that it’s difficult to get good shots because the stage backgrounds are funky and singer microphones often hide singer faces. HOWEVER, AND IN ANY EVENT, the folks who shared their photos did a great job making the best of the settings and showed many excellent photo moments from the Festival. Thanks

The meeting ended at approximately 8:10pm.

**Submitted Approved**

**Tim H Graves, Secretary Patty Robertson, President**