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General Meeting Minutes for January 4, 2023

Call to Order:

- Meeting called to order by President Art Arnold-Roksandich at 6:00 PM
- Over 66 in-person attendees at the Prescott Library

Featured speakers – Adam England and Pat Bledsoe: Because of the large in-person audience, President Arnold-Roksandich advanced the featured presentation to the top of the agenda. Adam England presented a 20-minute video highlighting his recent interview with distinguished club member Colonel Pat Bledsoe, an elite pilot who flew the SR-71 strategic reconnaissance aircraft to the edge of space. Following the video, Pat spent about an hour fielding questions from the audience covering his amazing career in aviation.

Welcome new members and guests:

- New members: Nicole & Steven Charnon, Larry Chinofsky, David Ledbetter, Bryan Seegers & Malcom Wilkinson
- We now have 76 club members (over 40 new and renewed members as of 1/4/23). Paper membership forms were made available at the meeting for those wishing to renew via check or cash.

Business Topics:

- Last month's general meeting minutes are posted on the club website.
 - **Decision: Reading of the minutes was waived and they were unanimously approved.**
- Treasurer's Report for December 2022:
 - Cash flow:
 - Income: \$2,335.24
 - Expenses: \$1899.51
 - Net: \$435.73
 - Account balances:
 - Paypal: \$105.84
 - Checking: \$3061.73
 - Savings: \$4046.22
 - Cash: \$121.50
 - TOTAL: \$7,335.29
 - **Decision: Treasurer's Report Accepted**
- 2022 Holiday Party:
 - The Holiday Party was held on December 7th at the Hassayampa Inn and was extremely well-received.
- Outreach Report:
 - At this point, most club outreach activities involve star parties. Outreach activities will pick up in latter part of March. PAC leadership is currently working on a schedule.
 - More volunteers are needed to assist with outreach activities.

- Possible outreach event in February: Thursday 2/16/23 – Liberty Traditional School Science Fair in Prescott Valley. This will be an evening event that will include setting up telescopes at that location. More information to come.

Announcements:

- The next PAC Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, January 17, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Prescott Valley Public Library in the Glassford Hill Room. If you would like to attend, please send a request to President Art Arnold-Roksandich p@prescottastronomyclub.org. Also let him know any suggested agenda items.
- The new Ephemeris is out. Please send ideas for future articles to Ephemeris Editor Hilary Legacy.
- The Grand Canyon Star party is scheduled for June 10th through June 17th. If you are interested in signing up for a free camp site, you must do so prior to March 1st. More information on their website: <https://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/grand-canyon-star-party.htm>
- METASIG (Meet Eat, Talk Astronomy Special Interest Group) luncheons will resume toward end of January or the beginning of February. Stay tuned for more information.
- Our next general meeting will be on Wednesday, February 1, 2023, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Founder's Suite of the Prescott Public Library. Dr. Roger Windhorst (ASU Professor and Interdisciplinary Scientist for the James Webb Space Telescope) will present a "Follow-up on the JWST Mission."

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM

Report submitted by Jack Evans, PAC Secretary