

## SUN CITY WEST REPUBLICAN CLUB

Minutes of June 1, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Jan Martinson at 8:30 am in the Grand Canyon Room at the Foundation, Sun City West, AZ. Rosemarie Isbell' gave the Invocation. Sergeant-at-Arms John Heep led the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America, followed by the singing of God Bless America accompanied on the piano by June Ruyle.

### WELCOME TO VISITORS:

Jamie Claussen, Gary Claussen, Bob Nelgeson, Chris Mueller, Donna Nicholson, Mona McCoy, Carla Hacker

President Jan Martinson: She read a little peace about our flag.

**SPEAKERS: David Livingston;** passed out some information on the state budget. David introduced a bill to pay off some state debt, \$190 million bond, will save millions in interest. They are doing a 2 year repeal of the \$32 license tax. Just passed the state budget last week.



**Debbie Lesko's outreach director; Ken** covers 750,000 people. There is grid lock in DC right now. Debbie's office 7121 W Bell Rd, suite 21. We need to change the nation's asylum laws. Today if someone comes across the border and claims they're afraid to go back in their country we have to let them go free in the USA.

**Scott Blake:** constable, a 4 year term. Running for re-election. He is doing training on active shooter situations.

**Frank Rizzo** Sun City Grand President; Special event with Keli Ward in SCG June 6, at 1:00.

Jean McGrath introduced the guest speaker:

**GUEST SPEAKER: Jeffrey Darbut,** retired Maricopa Community Colleges as Vice President of Administration services at Mesa Community College. 623-707-3995

Progressive liberals run the colleges. At Maricopa colleges teachers are not under paid. Enrollment decline since 2009 about 22%, population increase since 2009 16%. Our primary function is to graduate students so they can get a job, and we're failing on doing that. Graduation rates for technical education between 5% – 10%. Tuition is \$85 a credit hour.

Myth – Faculty is over worked and underpaid, untrue. They're paid 20% more than their peers.

Myth – more bonds and more taxes. Not true. Enrollment has decreased by 10% but their spending and costs have gone up.



**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Saturday June 8, 10:30am Maricopa County GOP Lincoln Luncheon at the JW Marriott Phoenix Desert Resort, 5350 Marriot Dr.

June 17, LD22 Meeting 5:30pm Westbrook Village Social Room

Sun City Republican will NOT meet during July & August, See you in September

Attendance: 54

**ADJOURNMENT:** President Jan Martinson adjourned the meeting at 10:02.

Submitted by:  
John Schalk, Secretary