

**Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
of Washington Area Computer Users Group
January 21, 2006.**

The meeting was convened at approximately 4:50 PM at the Pizza Hut at the intersection of Lee Highway and Route 50 in Fairfax City.

Present were members of the Board Paul Howard, Bill Walsh, Geof Goodrum, Chuck Roberts, Jim Brueggeman, Bob Rott, Bob Mason, and Jorn Dakin. Also present were WAC members John Neighbarger, John Keys and Scott Hanak.

It was reported that at the annual election held at the January, 2006 meeting, Geof Goodrum and Bob Mason served as ballot counters. Paul Howard had set up an e-mail address to receive electronic ballots. Paul Howard, Bob Rott, Jim Brueggeman and Jorn Dakin were re-elected as President, Treasurer, Vice-President and Secretary. At the board meeting at the Pizza Hut that followed the conclusion of the meeting at the Fairfax Government Center, Geof Goodrum, Bob Mason, Chuck Roberts and Bill Walsh were appointed by the previously elected board members to be members of the board of directors as well. Lu Spriggs was designated as member emeritus of the board in light of his long and faithful service to WAC.

Treasurer Bob Rott presented his report. The balance in the checking account as of the date of the meeting was \$1248.44. Bob Rott reported on a cash flow analysis of club data that he conducted for the club. It showed a loss for calendar 2005 of \$238.94, following a loss of \$1026.27 in calendar 2004. Receipts as of the January, 2006 meeting included one Linux disk of the month distributed since the last meeting for \$3.00. Six membership renewals had occurred since the December, 2005 meeting for a total revenue of \$150.00. In addition, a donation of \$10.00 was received, and \$20.00 had been received as a rebate on a club property upgrade. Bob also reported an addition to the Pizza SIG fund of \$9.00.

Attendance at the meeting was 22 members and one guest. Geof further reported that the current membership of the club as of the January, 2006 meeting was 36, with two members having renewed at the January, 2006 meeting for a total of 38 members. Geof proposed and it was approved that people whose membership had expired with the end of 2005 would receive electronic copies of the Cursor as of the February, 2006 meeting in addition to an electronic copy of the January, 2006 Cursor. Chuck reported as well that a copy of "Icon Lover" had been provided to Bill Walsh for future review or demonstration.

It was agreed that WAC's membership in the Association of Computer User Groups [APCUG] would be renewed, after a discussion of the various benefits to WAC from APCUG membership. Geof Goodrum reported that Intel is no longer sponsoring APCUG. Geof also noted that the idea was discussed at the APCUG national meeting for an exchange of CDs among various APCUG member user groups.

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A discussion of the January, 2006 meeting indicated that the material on networking presented by Chuck Roberts had been well-received by those in attendance. The program for February, 2006 is to consist of a presentation on Linux by Geof Goodrum. Future possible programs indicate a possible presentation on tax preparation software. Paul noted the contributions by Director Emeritus Lou Spriggs in the form of his column on web sites - that this had been an appreciated and much-read item in the Cursor. Paul pointed out the need to find

someone to provide a comparable replacement column on web-sites now that Lou would no longer be preparing the column.

Scheduling for production of the February, 2006 issue of the Cursor was discussed. Following this, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jorn Dakin, Secretary