

**Washington Area Computer User Group
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
December 16, 2006 *Amended***

Board Meeting Attendance – Paul Howard, Jim Brueggeman, Bob Rott, Bill Walsh, Geof Goodrum, Bob Mason, Chuck Roberts, Mel Mikosinski, Jorn Dakin

Comments on General Meeting – The presentation for computer safety and reliability went “OK” with presenter Paul saying he will make the hyperlinks darker for visibility, and he will make sure the hyperlinks reliably work next time.

PC Clinic: Scott Hanak / Bill Bailes successfully replaced a motherboard and power supply. Bob Rott still has a bad Windows registry problem and will bring his machine again in January.

Attendance at General Meeting – 19

WAC memberships – 53 (9 memberships today)

Minutes – November 18 minutes: Figures for Treasurer’s report need to be amended.

Financial Business – Bob Rott reports the checking account balance is **\$1249.80**, projector replacement fund is **\$756.84** including December. Today’s receipts: \$225 in dues, \$3 for PC Disk of the Month (*9* coupons were redeemed for free DoM), \$10 donation, \$58 from the Pizza SIG.

Paul gave Bob suggestions for renaming categories in the cash flow comparison report.

Cursor Discussions – Article submissions to the Editor by Jan. 4, expected mailing to members Jan. 10.

Chuck Roberts mentioned there are no printed exchange newsletters being sent at this time. There will be bonus page content in next month’s newsletter. Chuck said he has no formal list of memberships from Geof, who provides the labels for the Cursor mailings. Discussion was prompted because member Doug Smith did not get a December newsletter.

Geof will send Paul special instructions to restrict newsletter content on the internet to members only.

Old Business – Jorn Dakin reported no progress with the IRS yet with the formal name change.

New Business – For the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the club’s annual corporate report will be updated showing Bill Walsh as the Secretary for 2007.

Paul Howard wants to have official greeters for new attendees at the meetings and suggested we have 3x5 cards with information fields we can fill in with the guest’s information, such as name and e-mail. Bob Mason and Mel Mikosinski were going to work on this.

Bob Mason talked about the obituary for Len Bacon. Len’s \$25 membership will be donated to the Franconia Volunteer Fire Department. The BoD members made additional personal contributions for Geof to send to the Franconia VFD in Len’s name.

Paul mentioned that NCTCUG got a government Form 990 asking for details about the club, and says the same document will probably show up soon for WAC.

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Geof Goodrum and Bob Rott are going to the APCUG meeting at the CES show in January.

Chuck says he will try and get in touch with Gene Barlow of UGR (User Group Relations.)

Jim Brueggeman will be out of town in January, so Geof volunteered to take over his Disk-of-the-Month duties.

Jorn Dakin was asked why there were no legal expenses for 2006. Jorn said he had only recently received the form that required 2006 expenditures.

Bob Mason has about 25 Pentium III computers he wants to get rid of; there were no takers at the BoD meeting. *Paul thought Prince George's County residents can get them disposed of for free; for residents of the city of Alexandria, they can be disposed of a few at a time.*

Future Meetings – Bob Mason says he will need an audio connection for his Microsoft Vista presentation in January; Bill Walsh will try to have a selection of audio adapters for the existing PA cable for this.

For the March meeting, Bill Walsh plans to have a demonstration of hardware/software for radio spectrum display. Internet streaming radio and Google Earth may also be demonstrated. April may be a demonstration of internet shopping comparison sites, with Geof Goodrum, and possibly a demo of Microsoft Office 2007. Bill Walsh mentioned it might be a good idea to have a comprehensive presentation about data preservation and backup at the June 2007 PC clinic.