

**Washington Area Computer User Group
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
October 13, 2007 (*Amended*)**

Meeting start – 420PM at the Boston Market in the Greenbriar Town Center, Chantilly, VA

Board Meeting Attendance – P.Howard, J.Brueggeman, B.Rott, B.Walsh, G.Goodrum, C.Roberts, M.Mikosinski

Comments on General Meeting – Presentation of Gabe Goldberg’s Gadgets: “Great job” displaying a variety of hardware gadgets for technophiles. The audio system will be checked and fixed to eliminate the audio problems we had today.

Attendance at General Meeting – 14 (13 + one guest)

WAC memberships – 46

Minutes – The September 2007 minutes were accepted with two minor corrections to be made, and the final updated minutes will be forwarded to Paul for official archiving.

Financial Business – Current WACUG checking account balance is **\$1433.07**. Bob Rott has secured for WAC a \$1000 Certificate of Deposit with the *Freedom Bank*. The previously separate Projector Replacement Fund of \$801.36 has been rolled into this CD.

Today’s Receipts of **\$70.00** were given to Treasurer Bob Rott, which included the following:

\$25 membership dues (from Mel) + **\$0** PC discs + **\$0** Linux discs + **\$25** from Paul for the *David Pogue “Vista” reference book* + **\$20** from September’s Pizza Sig at the end of the Board of Directors meeting.

Cursor Discussions – Article submissions to the Editor by November 1, expected e-/mailing to members November 7. For the October Newsletter, Chuck said we were “doing good,” with just 19 stamps used for the newsletter mailings. He also said there was “nothing new” regarding newsletter exchanges or contacts with vendors.

New Business – It is time to check the IRS database to see if the updated WACUG name is now listed in their Publication 78... For WAC elections in January, a Vice Presidential candidate is needed; *Geof Goodrum volunteered to be the candidate*... Mel has been appointed the Nominating Committee chairman, and Jim Brueggeman will move from VP to being part of the Board of Directors... Due to computer problems, the Disk of the Month must be put on hold for now... Search for a new Pizza Sig location: Discussions included looking at the new shopping center near Fair Lakes (Eastern Market) as well as Fair Lakes itself. Applebees and Red Robin are possible candidate restaurants, and there may be a pizza restaurant near the western end of the Fair Lakes shopping center.

Future Meetings – For January we are looking at a Google Earth presentation by Bill Walsh and the annual APCUG/CES meeting presentation from Geof and Bob after their trip there... To help fill a void in our presentation schedule, Bill can do the Delorme USA 2008 presentation in February, instead of piggybacking it with the January Google Earth presentation... For March, Chuck Roberts would like to talk about *Photoshop Elements 6* and plug-ins that will work with it... Geof mentioned there is TaxACT software that can be used online that is free, with free filing for federal and state... Bob Rott asked if a comparison of internet search engines could be presented, with discussion of how to effectively use them... We may also look again at the Net Squirrel site for presentation suggestions... Bill Walsh asked about an eBay presentation, with emphasis on selling, not just buying; Chuck indicated he had familiarity with the selling side of eBay, and a site for last-second eBay bidding opportunities was mentioned, at esnipe.com.

Meeting Adjournment – 504PM

BoD Minutes by Bill Walsh – WAC Secretary