Newark Senior Center Computer Club Senior Surfers Board Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2015

The president, Helen Browne, called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

All board members were present.

Other members present: Ellen Pringle, Toni Visich, Phyllis Edwards, Jim Kniskern, Carol Tasca, John Bray, Barbara Ward, and Dave Williston. A copy of the attendance sheet is attached.

The minutes were read. On a motion by Bob, seconded by Ed, the minutes were approved.

The Treasurer report was read. The current balance is \$1399.90 and the balance in the reward fund is \$248.25. Ned moved, Barb seconded, and the report was approved. A copy of the report is attached.

Committee Reports:

<u>Program:</u> Calendars for December and January were distributed. The social will be on December 10 and Brian Read will talk about taxes on the 17th. In January Marcy from the fitness center will talk about Healthy Living and Wearables. On January 21 the program will be Facebook tricks and etiquette and on January 14 and 28st Bob will do his presentations. Barbara Ward distributed a list of programs she had scheduled in January, February, and March. Sometime in the spring Barbara will have knee surgery and Ned will be her back up.

<u>Education:</u> Mariana is doing the administrative work from Arizona. On December 17 Bob will do a class on Windows 10 and again on January 21. There will be a class on file management. We plan to do an overview of Microsoft office for a Thursday presentation followed by basis classes. When Phyllis returns she will teach classes on ProShow Gold – beginners, intermediate, and focused classes on specific topics.

<u>Membership</u>: There are 344 members. Helen's attempt to get members without an email address to create one in the lab didn't generate much interest.

<u>Laboratory Operations</u>: There was an anonymous donation of a mini Windows laptop. Ellen volunteered to make a list of the unused cartridges in the lab. We have 10 new computers- two in the library, three in the lab, and five more to go in the lab. We will have 8 Vista computers for sale at \$50

<u>Website</u>: we had 5724 views this month. That is 1000 more than the month before. A copy of the statistics is attached. Elaine asked for ideas for the blog. She also talked about some of the new features of the upgrade.

APCUG: It was decided not to renew APCUG as we seem to get no real benefit from it. Mac Users Group: There were 31 members in attendance. Doug talked about Apple products and features of Apple TV. He also asked if there were any products that they would want computer club to purchase.

<u>Genealogy Users Group</u>: The link for ancestry.com is now fixed in the lab. The link has been added to Windows 7 on all of the computers

<u>ProShow Gold users group:</u> The final meeting was held in November. There will be a Thursday afternoon presentation on ProShow Gold followed by basic classes when Phyllis returns.

NSC board meeting: Ed attended the last board meeting. They talked about the audit which was accepted by the board. The NSC board is looking for new opportunities for raising funds. They also talked about the 50th anniversary celebration. Phyllis Edwards is now part of the marketing committee for the center. The marketing committee is looking for ways to get our message to the community. Betty Roberts will attend the January meeting and Helen will attend the February meeting.

<u>Wed-Open Lab activity:</u> It was suggested that we have a sign outside the lab to attract more people to the open lab sessions. Phyllis will design a sign.

<u>Volunteer 50+:</u> There are still plans to have the recognition lunch in September and they continue to look for sponsors. There is a new director. As always remember to record your hours.

Old Business:

<u>Open House</u>: Carla complimented us on our table for the open house and for having people here manning the table until 6 o'clock. Our display table was the one that was featured on the Facebook page for the Senior Center.

<u>Social</u>: The greeters should arrive around 11 o'clock. Food may be dropped off in the stage of the cafeteria starting at noon. Kevin will play selections of holiday music. As usual Bob will have a video show in the classroom until around 1:30 PM when we go to the cafeteria.

Medicare part D: Ed will give examples of the savings that can be had by comparing plans at meeting this afternoon.

New Business:

Kathy Dougherty's husband had a stroke Tuesday.

A question has been raised about doing home visits for people who are unable to come to the center. It was decided is not a good idea. We will, however, provide a list of people that will do home visit.

Ned is interested in having a user's group for Skype.

There being no further business Ned moved, Bob se	econded, and the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,	
Becky Bennett, Secretary	