

Newark Senior Center Computer Club
Senior Surfers
Board Meeting Minutes
September 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, Dan Sclafani, Phyllis Edwards, and Dave Williston. A copy of the attendance sheet is attached.

The minutes were read. Toni asked that the minutes show that she gave copies of the procedures for her committees to Helen and the secretary as the president had requested. Elaine further explained that the older presentations have been archived. It was moved by Ned, seconded by Ed, and the minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's report was read. Balance is \$4,843.20 and the grant balance remains the same at \$1156.92. Ned moved, Barb seconded, and the report was approved. A copy of the report is attached.

Committee Reports:

Program: The calendars for September and October were distributed. A program for October 1 is still needed. There will be no presentation on October 22 because of the fall sale. Some of the ideas for upcoming programs are Ed talking about Medicare part D and Brian talking about tax changes for the coming year. Some other suggestions were Amazon.com, self-publishing, Delmarva power, and paying bills online.

Education: John Bray is not doing well and has been released to hospice at home. Elaine offered to do a class on basic Gmail in November and basic browsing in December. Other suggestions were publishing, a hands-on Apple class, Photoshop, and how to do presentations. Phyllis offered to do presentations, possibly in November.

Membership: There are currently 447 members with 223 paid for 2015-16. Members who have not paid for 2015-16 will be purged from the membership list on September 30. There are four honorary members Marvin Hundertmark, Bud Ryan, Carla Grygiel, and Jean Williams. Ed proposed that we add additional honorary members. Ed moved, Bob seconded, and it was agreed that Jim Kniskern, and Dan Sclafani would be honorary members.

Laboratory Operations: The Facebook page has been made public and the second Facebook account has been deleted. The screen on the Toshiba has been fixed. There was a discussion concerning a laptop for presentations and additional uses of the grant money. The Toshiba is too small and hard to see for presentations. We could purchase another laptop similar to the one for the senior center with a 13 or 14 inch screen. This would cost about \$500. If need be, we could borrow the cart that we gave them. We have a \$350 credit at Second Source since the printer died during the warranty period. A new desktop computer for the presenter in the lab could be purchased and the old one used to replace a computer in the library. The iMac is seven years old and could be replaced. Ed moved, Ned seconded and it was agreed to purchase a new laptop and its associated equipment costing \$500 - \$800 as an alternate for doing presentations instead of the larger setup. The purchase of additional desktops or laptops was moved to next month.

Website: The website had 3215 views last month with the home page receiving the most views. The most visited pages were the blog, volunteers, calendar, and the board meeting. The presentation that Bob did in November 2014 on Cryptowall continues to receive over 60 views per month. On August 27 there

were 498 unique views. This was the day of Jodi's presentation. A copy of statistics is attached. Elaine rearranged some of the pages on the blog.

APCUG: There have been no results on the website contest. Over 100 photos were submitted for the photo contest. Paul submitted several and another member did also.

Mac Users Group: There were about 34 people at the meeting. There are several new items coming out. Doug demonstrated how to use maps.

Genealogy Users Group: There were several people who attended the Lithuanian Festival in Pennsylvania. The last discussion group we talked about taking genealogy trips.

ProShow Gold Users Group: Phyllis answered questions that they had and there was additional discussion about music and voice overs.

NSC board meeting: Toni needs more people for the board meetings. She passed around the list of open dates.

Wed - Open Lab activity: No report.

Delaware 50+: Ed distributed copies of a brochure about Delaware 50+. There will be a presentation at Buena Vista concerning fraud on September 27.

Old Business:

Beginner's class September 21: The new committee will be handling the class on September 21. Nancy Black who has been a helper will also be part of the committee.

New member program: The orientation to the lab and the website was well received.

November 5 NSC open house: We can still have our board meeting and afternoon presentation on November 5. The tentative plan is to have tables set up in the lobby. There is a possibility of evening session and we plan to be part of it.

Disbursement of balance of money: The laptop was discussed during lab operations. Ned withdrew his proposal using 3-D printing. Having a second screen during Thursday presentations is still under investigation.

New Business:

Social Date: It was decided the social will be on December 10. On December 17 we will have our regular Thursday presentation and then we will be closed until the new year. The social will also be potluck as it went very well and the theme will be the holidays.

Volunteers highlighted on the website: When the website committee proposed having a volunteer spotlight the board decided to leave it up to the committee who would be featured. We are still working from the original list of suggested people. If anyone has additional people that they wish to propose, please let the committee know.

There being no further business, Ed moved, Bob seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Becky Bennett, Secretary