

Newark Senior Center Computer Club
Senior Surfers
Board Meeting Minutes

November 4, 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, and Carol Tasca. A copy of the attendance sheet is attached.

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

The Treasurer's report was read. Balance is \$4859.31. The balance of the reward money is \$397.25. Ned moved, Elaine seconded, and the report was approved. A copy of the report is attached.

Committee Reports:

Program: The calendars for November and December were distributed. Since today is Newark Senior Center's open house today's program will be how to use our website as a dashboard similar to the orientation that Helen and Ned did. On November 12, Bob will do That's a Good Question, and on the 19th we will have the Newark city police. In December Bob will do simple questions on the 3rd, the social is December 10, and on December 17 Brian Reed will give an update on taxes. Barbara Ward will be doing the programs as of January 1. She already has several programs lined up including one using Skype.

Education: John Bray was seen at the center. Helen spoke with his daughter and he is learning to overcome what he was having problems with. John is not ready for visitors. Phyllis will be teaching a class on November 19 on using PowerPoint to make a cover. Mariana Wilke will be handling the administrative part of education. Helen will teach a class on basic files and folders. There is a need for basic classes, perhaps one a month.

Membership: There are 322 paid-up members. Helen snail-mailed those who did not have an email address. A committee to explore alternate ways of keeping membership data and the possibility of using it with website was proposed. The committee will be Barb, Helen, and Elaine.

Laboratory Operations: All computers and boots have the same free programs. The various programs that we had to pay for our own are on the Windows 7

computers. There are still a few 8 gig flash drives for sale at \$5, we also have 32 gig drives for \$10, and 64 gig drives for \$15. Bob purchased 2 computers from Woot for \$269.99 each. They are basically laptops inside of a desktop case. Photoshop Elements for which we had licenses has been added to the computers. The Nexus tablet was updated to Marshmallow. Doug would like us to purchase an Apple TV for the sole use of the Apple group. This was approved. Bob will also ask Doug if there is anything else that he needs for the Apple group. Carol will talk to Peg Irish about teaching a class.

Website: There were 4766 page views with October 25 being the biggest day. The website has been upgraded to Pro which gives us more features such as a search bar on the homepage and the ability to add our own videos.

APCUG: Paul and John McLaughlin entered the photo contest. Elaine had to ask who the winners were of the web contest and the photo contest.

Mac Users Group: The group did not meet in October.

Genealogy Users Group: At the discussion group there was a speaker who talked about leaving genealogy will. In the lab session we are having problems getting into ancestry.com through the University of Delaware. Bob look into this.

ProShow Gold Users Group: the group will meet this coming Monday for the final time. On November 19 Phyllis will have a class on using PowerPoint to create a cover.

NSC board meeting: Toni attended the board meeting on October 27. The fall sale had a gross of \$26,000. They talked about social services and fundraising for the remodeling the area for the Early Memory Loss program. A copy of Toni's report is attached.

Wed - Open Lab activity: The open lab is going fine. Carol Tasca is notifying people when it is their turn to monitor the lab. Toni will email the person scheduled to have the lab open the day before Thanksgiving. We will leave it up to them whether or not to come in that day.

Volunteer 50+: They are still working on the summer recognition and getting sponsors for the awards. It was a discussion about raising the number of hours that would qualify for attendance at the luncheon. Ed also mentioned the program for Stockings for Soldiers.

Old Business:

November 5 Open House: The open house is today and we have a table set up in the hallway. We are inviting people to attend this afternoon's presentation. The lab is open to that people can look at what we have to offer. We have people that cover the table until 6 o'clock.

Social: The committee consists of Betty Roberts, Phoebe Doherty, Ellen Pringle, and Ann Matt. The social will be potluck. The recipes may be sent to Elaine to be included on the website. Some of the prizes for the raffle are a wireless mouse and a DVD reader and writer. The flowers for the tables still need to be purchased.

Nominating committee: Toni volunteered to be chairman of the nominating committee.

New Business:

Photo contest for Senior Surfers: It was proposed that we have our own photo contest with the winners announced at the socials. Elaine, Paul, and Toni will meet to discuss the criteria for entrants into the contest.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Bennett, Secretary