

Newark Senior Center Computer Club
Senior Surfers
Board Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2016

The president, Helen Browne, called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

All board members were present.

Other members present: Ellen Pringle, Toni Visich, Dan Sclafani, Phyllis Edwards, Jim Kniskern, Doug Gibney and Linda Hughes. A copy of the attendance sheet is attached.

Brandon Piligrini wants to stop by the lab to help and has offered to do a presentation before he starts college.

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

The Treasurer's report was read. Balance is \$2408.95 and the balance of the grant account is \$0. Bob moved, Ned seconded, and the report was approved. A copy of the report is attached.

Discussion Topics:

Nominations and Elections: Toni is in the process of getting the bios for the nominees for the upcoming election. Toni will be controlling the ballot box and checking off the names of those who vote as well as adding additional names for those who join.

It was decided to use colored ballots and to use only one version with the bios for everything.

Cancelled speaker: There was a discussion as to why the speaker was canceled. The topic was changed from the agreed-upon topic to a different one than the one from the Money School. There were also questions about the presenter's expertise on the second topic and a presentation had already been scheduled on that topic.

We are not a repair shop: Someone called the office asking if we repair computers for \$5. When the subject came up previously, wording was added to the senior center newsletter stating that we are not a repair shop. We will also add language to our website stating that we are not a repair shop. Our goal is to show members what they can do on the road to prevent some problems. We can offer a list of places that do repairs. However, we cannot control what members tell others about getting their computers fixed.

Committee Reports:

Program: The calendars for May and June were distributed. A copy is attached. Today's program is on infectious diseases. Elaine will do a short topic on Android apps on April 21. There is a problem reading the screen during presentations by those in the back of the room.

There were several suggestions on how to correct. We will ask presenters to use a larger font, when possible.

Education: Helen will do a class on excel in the cloud. On April 21, Elaine will do another Google class. This one will include photos. On June 9th, Jodi will do a class on introduction to social media and in the afternoon presentation about websites. On May 19 Elaine will do an advance Google class. There still is no one willing to teach Mac classes. Linda is thinking of doing general concept classes. Other suggestions were movie maker and DVDs styler and a make and take class.

Membership: There are currently 381 members.

Laboratory Operations: the new presenter computer as a terabyte drive. All user files are common to both Windows 7 and Windows 10. Second source has several Mac computers. There is a 27 inch for \$600. We would get \$100 trade-in on our current Mac computer. Bob will ask the Doug Irish about this.

Website: Elaine tried using the Wix photo exhibit link. It is too involved for our purposes. We will have an exhibit page for photos in Galleries. We had a total of 5399 views last month, the most views being on March 17. The support page has been used several times and the cryptowall blog post still receives views after a year and a half.

Mac Users Group: No report

Genealogy Users Group: Becky & Phyllis will both have articles in the Genealogy Detectives newsletter. Phyllis is teaching her writing class again. She is also going to be a speaker at Urgent Care on Main Street and the genealogical society in Baltimore. At the discussion group on April 20, we will have a guest speaker, Susan Kirk Ryan.

NSC board meeting: Ned attended the board meeting minutes. Chef Raymond talked about the food program and Meals on Wheels. The adult day care still has not found a place to move and it is delaying the refurbishing of that space. Becky will attend the next meeting on April 26.

Wed-Open Lab activity: We are okay for the Wednesday open lab. We will remind the monitors that we are not a print shop and the number of copies should be limited to about 10. It is for convenience of those using the computers. We are almost out of paper in the lab. Ellen is printing out a coupon for Staples and Ed volunteered to pick up a box of paper.

Volunteer 50+: The recognition must be May 25th. Ed will verify the date.

Old Business:

Photography: sharing of pictures – this was covered under Elaine's report.

Social: There will be a meeting on April 21 at 2:30 PM with Phoebe, Betty Roberts, Maureen Tucker, Ann Matt, and Ellen. One of the topics of discussion will be announcements to members about saving seats, access to the room before 1:30 PM,

and getting your dishes after the social. Phyllis will have a copy of ProShow Gold as a door prize.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Bennett, Secretary