

Newark Senior Center Computer Club  
Senior Surfers  
Board Meeting Minutes  
July 5, 2018

The president, Elaine Drain, called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

All board members were present except Dennis Foley and Charlie Boss. Other members present: Toni Visich.

The minutes were read. On a motion by Richard, seconded by Neal, the minutes were approved.

Sunshine: No cards were sent this month.

The Treasurer's report was read. Current balance is \$3058.52. There were several people interested in the two computers that we had for sale. One computer sold for \$200 and the other for \$180. Doug moved, Ed seconded, and the report was accepted.

Membership: There are currently 398 members, six new members. 183 members have renewed.

**New Business:**

Socials – How many do we need?

After a discussion of the lack of people willing to be in charge of the social, Ed moved, Richard seconded, and it was passed that we only have one social per year to coincide with the end of the fiscal year and renewal time.

Ancestry Library

Since the University of Delaware is no longer providing Internet service to the Newark Senior Center, we will most likely be losing our access to Ancestry Library. The cost of getting access to the library edition of ancestry for us would be over \$1200 per year. At the moment we are going to wait and see what happens.

**Old Business:**

None

**Committee Reports:**

Education & Training:

Beginners' Class-Doug will plan one soon, probably in August.

Monday Open Lab-It is going fine. There seems to be more people coming.

Monday Afternoon Member Lab-The number of people varies greatly.

Tuesday Open Lab-Doug, Neal, and Toni are working it out so that there is coverage.

Wednesday Open Lab – Toni prepared the schedule for the second half of the year and gave a copy to each person so that they may call their replacement, if needed.

Education- Linda will teach a class on Basic Windows 10 on July 19. There is a waiting list of additional people to take the class. Elaine will teach a class on photo editing after her Thursday presentation. Elaine will also teach a beginner's class on setting up Gmail. Doug also mentioned that we need to offer a lab orientation program again soon for the entire center.

Laboratory Operations:

Windows: Bob has been working on getting a video conversion program to work well on Windows 10 and thinks he has finally found a workable solution.

Lab Updates: Linda tried Chocolatey, an updater, and got lots of error messages. It is very geeky and may be hard for people to use.

Programs /Calendar: We will contact the public library to see if they can do a presentation for us.

Public Relations:

Community Outreach: No Report

Greeters: Since Betty has been chairman, we had three people come forward and volunteered to help. Betty and Elaine are working on getting Gmail set up for the greeters.

New Member Liaison: Toni has contacted the new members but not everyone had an email address or phone number.

Publicity: The newsletter is fine except that it still needs to be updated.

Website: There is not much new and the statistics are about the same as they were last month.

Special Interest Group Reports:

Genealogy Users Group: We had a very good discussion on German genealogy and Maryland genealogy. The biggest news, of course, is a loss of Ancestry Library.

Volunteer 50+: Ed asked if anyone had any comments or suggestions on the luncheon to let him know. Susan Fox who has been a big asset to Volunteer 50+ is retiring.

Neal had an announcement of the Kirkwood library about classes on Smart Phones for Seniors. He will contact them to see if they can do something similar for us. He will also share the announcement at the meeting this afternoon.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky Bennett, Secretary