

**Newark Senior Center Computer Club
Senior Surfers Board Meeting Minutes**

July 6, 2023

The president, Doug Gibney, called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

All board members were present except Richard Pierce and John Fennell. Other members present were Toni Visich and Cam Vu. A copy of the attendance sheet is attached.

Minutes: The minutes of the June 2023 meeting were read. Linda moved, Neal seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Sunshine: A Thinking of You card was sent to Janet Belles and a Sympathy card to her family at her death. A Get-Well card was sent to Peggy Mika.

Treasurer Report: The Treasurer's report was read. The balance as of June 30, 2023 is \$ 3, 715.76. Linda moved, Chris seconded, and the report was accepted. A copy of the Treasurer's report is attached.

We anticipate no major expenses since we received funding for our new computers. The question was raised if we should buy a new color printer. It was decided that the one we are using is fine. Cartridges for it are \$70 and we need 4 of them.

Membership: Currently there are 300 members. The number of members that have already renewed is 140.

OLD BUSINESS:

Summer Social Some of the comments received about the social:

People cleaning their own trash up worked well.

Separate condiment table

Move raffle prizes further down the hall.

Larger pieces of subs

More help setting up tables.

Must attend the social to participate in the raffles.

Elections: The new directors are Ron Pierce and John Fennell. Returning directors are Chris Lashbrook and Linda Hughes.

Linda resigned her position as director. Cam was appointed to fulfil the unexpired term.

There was a discussion concerning how long a person needs to be a member of the club to run for office. We felt that a person should be a member in good standing of

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the club at least a year before serving on the board. Neal Lerner will draft an amendment to cover this. After it is presented to the Board and accepted, it will be presented to the club for their vote.

New Equipment: Bob Bloom will be ordering 10 new computers. In addition, we will need 10 wired keyboards and mice, and HDMI plugs. We will also need copies of Microsoft Office which we can order through Tech Soup.

NEW BUSINESS:

August Board Meeting? There will be an August Board meeting.

Membership Form: Neal is redoing the membership. He will be removing the question about experience since we don't use it for anything.

We need to follow up on the question on the application about being a veteran. Instead of updating the posters of the veterans, we are going to be doing it digitally as a slide show on our monitor outside the classroom and in the cafeteria on the TV on Veteran's Day.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Labs:

Monday Open Lab: Everything is ok.

Tuesday Open Lab: Everything is ok. Ron Pierce has been coming in to help.

Education:

Nothing is planned this month.

Laboratory Operations:

Updates: Linda is considering changing the day from Wednesdays to Thursdays.

Programs/Calendars:

Becky is still having trouble getting people to return phone calls and emails about doing presentations. We need presenters for August and beyond.

Public Relations:

New Member Liaison: Sender.net is working well for the welcome letter.

Publicity/Newsletter Page: The sentences at the top of the page about changing the name from the computer club to technology club is still appearing. Becky will send a separate email asking them to remove it again.

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Website:

Neal will add a tab for Help on the home page. Under Help he will also add FAQ and a link for online help for beginners.

Special Interest Groups:

Genealogy Users Group: We only had one person using ancestry in the lab yesterday, but Bob says someone comes in every Monday and uses it. Attendance at the discussion group has been good.

Volunteer 50+: As usual, turn in your hours.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Bennett, Secretary