

**Washington Area Computer User Group
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
March 17, 2007 (*Amended*)**

Meeting start – 423PM

Board Meeting Attendance – Paul Howard, Jim Brueggeman, Bob Rott, Bill Walsh, Geof Goodrum, Chuck Roberts, Mel Mikosinski, Donna Jeanne Phillips, Jan Chance-Sampson.

Comments on General Meeting – The equipment for Bill Walsh’s spectrum display presentation worked OK, although we were unable to fully use the antenna for signals because we could not get the antenna in a better-reception area due to large foot traffic at the Government Center’s job fair. *Geof Goodrum also discovered, before his internet presentation, that the network at the Government Center blocks streaming media websites (sites and filetypes.) Geof had screen captures as backup, which ultimately allowed a successful presentation even with the lack of streaming media.*

Attendance at General Meeting – 24 plus 1 guest.

WAC memberships – 46

Minutes – February 2007 minutes accepted with verbalized minor amendments. August and November 2006 are still outstanding.

Financial Business – Current WACUG checking account balance is **\$1798.30** and Projector Replacement Fund is now at the maximum **\$801.36** as agreed to by WAC and NCTCUG.

Today’s Receipts of **\$232.00** were given to Treasurer Bob Rott, which included the following: **\$223** membership dues (**\$175** dues plus **\$48** NL print - 4 members adding \$12 each to receive the printed Cursor newsletter) + **\$0** PC discs + **\$0** Linux discs + **\$0** miscellaneous + **\$9** from the Pizza Sig at the end of the Board of Directors meeting.

Bob Rott was directed to look into getting a Certificate of Deposit using the \$801.36 Projector Replacement Fund plus donations. Paul advised Bob to check the current CD rates at various banks for opening a \$1000 CD.

Cursor Discussions – Article submissions to the Editor by April 5, expected mailing to members April 11. March Newsletter stats: 25 newsletters printed, 18 stamps used for mailings, no bounces from e-mailed newsletters. *Chuck was advised to verify the e-mail from member David Smith, to get the e-mailed newsletter to him.* Paul said he is trying to post Cursor newsletters up to 3 months back on the WAC website.

New Business – *Chuck gave Geof the vendor’s list he had, so that Geof could update/reconcile his list.*

Future Meetings – Chuck says that Gene Barlow is expected to send two new presentation packages, for Acronis and one other topic. Geof Goodrum says there may be a Playstation 3 presentation in the future, similar to Lance Cutlar’s demonstration of Playstation 2 a few years ago.

The April meeting is going to be Microsoft Office 2007 changes and improvements, presented by Bob Mason. Geof Goodrum will then do a presentation on internet shopping comparisons. (Paul asked Bill Walsh for a readiness update on the DVD/burner imperfection presentation, in case it is needed in April.)

Paul tells us that netsquirrel.com is very good for finding presentation materials, to help us get a few “presentations in a can” for possible emergency backup usage.

Meeting Adjournment – 535PM