

Washington Area Computer User Group  
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting  
October 20, 2001

Board Meeting Attendance – Geof Goodrum, Paul Howard, Bob Mason, Bob Rott, Lu Spriggs, Jim Spurlock, Mike ten Kate, and Bill Walsh

Minutes – Reviewed minutes from the September board meeting. The minutes were amended to show that \$2.00 was collected from the “Pizza SIG” for WAC’s account. This explains the figure of \$56 in disk sales in the Treasurer’s report--\$54 in disk sales and a \$2.00 contribution from the Pizza SIG. The minutes were accepted as amended.

Comments on General Meeting – An ambitious meeting on net video conferencing came off very smoothly.

Attendance at General Meeting – 26

Treasurer's Report/Other Financial Business – The Treasurer’s report for October was accepted without amendment. Total PC disk sales came to \$33.

Cursor Production/Web Site News/Software Reviews – Kathy Perrin will handle production of the November Cursor. The article submission deadline is November 3rd. Bob Mason will contact Kathy regarding technical issues causing words to enlarge and spread-out at the end of each paragraph in Cursor articles.

Geof Goodrum will send Paul Howard an electronic version of the Cursor so Paul can experiment with posting it to the WAC site. Paul will post the address of the November meeting on the web site along with a map.

The list of outstanding software reviews is as follows.

Drive Image 4.0 (Assigned to Bob Mason in October 2000. Review was due by January Cursor.)

Microsoft TechNet CD (Assigned to Jim Spurlock in November 2000. Review was due by February Cursor.)

FrontPage 2002 (Assigned to Mike ten Kate in September. Review due by December 2001 Cursor.)

Office XP Professional (Assigned to Mike ten Kate in September. Review due by December 2001 Cursor.)

General Discussion – The Board voted to scrap the club survey discussed at past board meetings. The Board approved donating the club’s old laptop to a deserving student. Bob Mason will handle this for the club. We agreed to bring the club’s old tower to the December swap meet.

We discussed the option of lowering club dues since our financial balance is healthy and growing. The Board agreed to retain the current level of \$22, however, we will consider awarding more valuable door prizes using excess funds.

Paul noted that certain software vendors will provide free software in return for publishing reviews prepared by other clubs in our newsletter.

Future Meetings – The November meeting will be held at Kathy's church. Mike will demo Windows XP and the Office XP suite of programs (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Outlook, and FrontPage). Bill Walsh agreed to bring a monitor to the meeting. The December meeting will be our traditional swap meet/help clinic.

Meeting adjourned