

**Washington Area Computer User Group
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
October 17, 2009 *Amended***

Meeting start – 3:58PM at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute-Tallwood Campus, Fairfax, VA

Board Meeting Attendance – P.Howard, J.Brueggeman, B.Walsh, G.Goodrum, C.Roberts, L.Garson, M.Mikosinski, N.Grotenstein

Attendance at General Meeting – 40

Comments on General Meeting – Geof Goodrum talked about “internet TV” and Dan Feighery talked about digital photography: Both presentations went “very well,” especially Dan’s slides which were “very good.” Our beginning Q&A session may have been a little long, but it was nonetheless also “quite good.”

Minutes – *July, August, and September* minutes were accepted with minor corrections to be made to each before final archiving.

WAC memberships – 49

Financial Business – Banking figures submitted by e-mail from Bob Rott: Current Wachovia checking account balance on September 30 was \$3425.51, and the CD at Freedom Bank is \$1065.87 (including the \$801.36 Projector Replacement Fund) for a combined total of \$4491.38. **Today’s Receipts** were reported as follows: \$25.00 for one membership plus \$52.50 for WAC’s half of the 50-50 camera raffle held today.

Cursor Discussions – Article submissions to Editor by Nov. 4, expected e-/mailing to members Nov. 11. September newsletter stats: 25 newsletters were printed, 21 stamps were used... There have been no changes to our newsletter exchange partners or vendor contacts.

New Business – Paul believes moving the Learn 30 presentation to the end of the meeting is a good idea. He also observed it has been about a year since we started meetings at Tallwood with the OPCUG group and maybe it’s time for a format change, asking the members for suggestions... Mel mentioned there was a webinar service that could host 15 stations at a time and had unlimited two-way audio for \$468 a year... Paul mentioned we need candidates for the upcoming elections next year, including a new candidate for club president. Chuck Roberts was selected as the election commissioner... Chuck: We need a way to set up a member-alert system for short-fused items of interest, such as the recent, very-short-lived offer of Zone Alarm Pro for free on the internet.

Future Meetings – November: Neal will do a “Learn 30” on User-vs-Admin accounts... December: A hands-on presentation for setting up a wireless network with security, and with printer sharing. We should have a video camera available to properly present this demonstration... Kurt DeSoto is working on a presentation for converting VHS tapes to digital, for February, 2010... Chuck Roberts will talk about the latest Adobe release in March... Geof: Weather stuff... Neal: Tiny URL, would be a short presentation (“Learn 10”)... Geof relaying a suggestion from APCUG: Getting the local FBI office to do a presentation on internet security... Paul/Mel: a Smart Computing webinar possibly?... A possible webinar talk by Ira Wilsker was mentioned, a radio personality and author associated with APCUG.

Meeting Adjournment – 5:34PM

BoD Minutes by Bill Walsh – WAC Secretary