Washington Area Computer User Group Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting January 22, 2011

Meeting start – 4:03PM at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute-Tallwood Campus, Fairfax, VA

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

Attendance at General Meeting – 54

Comments on General Meeting – Geof showed Part 1 of his Consumer Electronics Show presentation, which was "great," and "entertaining and informative." We had a failure of the video line carrying the presentation directly from Geof's camera. Our troubleshooting and repair efforts found nothing obvious so this may be due to the camera not being able to drive the signal through the long wire path to the projector. We will test Geof's camera again in February. It was also suggested that we check ahead of time how a presenter wanted to do their presentation, and check for proper functionality BEFORE the actual presentation.

Minutes – October 2010 minutes accepted; November and December minutes deferred.

WAC memberships – 48

Financial Business – Current WACUG Wachovia checking account balance as of December 31 is \$4549.67, and the CD at Freedom Bank is \$1078.19 (including the \$801.36 Projector Replacement Fund) for a combined total of \$5627.86... **Today's Receipts** of \$325.00 were given to Treasurer Bob Rott, which included the following: \$250 dues ($$25 \times 10$ memberships) + \$15 printed newsletter premiums ($$5 \times 3$) + \$60 donations... There are two outstanding checks for \$189.49 and two checks to be written for \$29.04.

Cursor Editor Discussions – Articles to Editor by February 3, member e-/mailings February 9. January newsletter stats: 26 newsletters printed, 20 mailed. There were no Cursor e-mail problems...Newsletter exchange: Not sure of the name but a group sent a copy of their newsletter to us, and Chuck responded in kind...Gabe asked how APCUG push articles were progressing; Chuck said nothing much has happened this year. Gabe indicated APCUG push should start again soon.

Old Business – Gabe and regional computer events: Drawing on his experience with the FACUG cruise, Gabe would like to see FACUG print a handbook for doing a regional event, perhaps leading to something like a Baltimore cruise event. The approximate cost for attendees could be a reasonable \$100 a day. We should consider the benefits of being involved in such an effort.

New Business – The annual elections were held today; the officers are Geof Goodrum as President, Paul Howard as Vice President, Bob Rott as Treasurer and Bill Walsh as Secretary...Calling for Directors in the new year, we had J.Brueggeman, M.Mikosinski, L.Garson, J.Dakin, C.Roberts, and G.Goldberg volunteer to serve; all volunteers were accepted unanimously.

Future Meetings – Geof and Bob will do CES Part 2 in February; Bill Walsh will do the Learn 30 about his new HD camcorder...March is tentatively set for Dan Feighery and Digital Photography, let's make sure how he wants to accomplish his presentation. The March Learn 30 may have Gabe presenting more utilities; we might also consider presenting Pandora...For May, Gabe thinks he may do Thunderbird and Firefox add-ons.