

**Washington Area Computer User Group
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
January 21, 2012**

Meeting start – 1:34PM online via Skype, general meeting cancelled due to weather

Board Meeting Attendance – G.Goodrum, P.Howard, B.Walsh, M.Mikosinski, N.Grotenstein, G.Goldberg, J.Dakin

Minutes – Updated November minutes were approved, December minutes were approved with minor amendments to be incorporated before final archiving.

WAC memberships – 53

Financial Business – Current WACUG Wells Fargo checking account balance as of January 13 is **\$4638.20**, and the CD at Freedom Bank is at or near **\$1076.58** for a combined total of **\$5714.78**. The Wells Fargo total includes a credit from amazon.com for purchases made on their website using the Amazon click-through button on our website. Paul says he has to work with Amazon to get credit for his new Kindle purchase. Paul said we need a Board resolution regarding bank signature authority. With Mel as a new officer, Paul said they need to go to a Wells Fargo branch to get Mel's authorization added and Bob Rott's authorization removed. Paul said we also need to make sure the bank removes any other non-current signatories from the account. We resolved to create a document outlining the current signatories to be authorized and have non-current signatories removed, signed by the club Secretary, to be presented at the bank when we can get together to do this. Geof reminded us we need to do a financial audit and need someone who does not have access to the accounts or signature authority. Paul said we might reach out to Lorrin Garson as an audit chair. Since it has been a while since our last audit, Paul suggested we go back four years or so for our efforts, and we need to check availability of documentation. Paul found a document dated June 23, 2005 which appears to be from our last audit.

Cursor Discussions – Articles to Editor by February 4 , member e-/mailings February 11. January was extremely busy and Geof was unable to get the newsletter out. He is feverishly working on continuing inputs to flow everything together for the new issue, including Lorrin Garson's new "Bits and Pieces" byline and the Micro Center computer clinic dates. There is also an issue with proper legal use of Microsoft fonts, which Geof is also addressing. Paul says we must wait for his return from the FACUG event to set up the link for the e-Cursors. Jorn says he can handle distribution of the printed Cursors; Mel said he would send Jorn an update of the database.

APCUG Report – Gabe is helping groups with the User Group Locator Service (UGLS) setup, it's "coming along." Push is also working well. Gabe said he is looking forward to Abby Stokes' appearance in March and wants to maybe have a magazine writer from the "Guide to Retirement Living" available to cover the event and the clubs.

Old Business – Election procedures and Bylaw updates will be deferred for now. Geof still needs to talk to Blair regarding newsletter co-ordination between the two clubs; he said he will contact her before the next meeting. In November Geof signed up Mel for the O'Reilly book specials; so far Mel has not received any emails, although Paul says Jim Rhodes recently did get info. Mel says he has tried the Teamviewer teleconference software and said he will provide more information about it next month. Regarding the NOVACOM mailing list, Mel has the info in the WAC database, and we have seen former NOVACOM members at some of our meetings.

New Business – Regarding the annual club election, Election Chairman Gabe announced there was thirty-three votes for the full slate as presented and two abstentions. The 2012 officers as elected are Geof Goodrum as President, Mel Mikosinski as Vice President, Paul Howard as Treasurer and Bill Walsh as Secretary. Geof asked if business conducted on Skype was considered a “normal meeting” that was valid per existing Bylaws. Paul said we are having a meeting that everyone can hear, Virginia State Corporation Commission law allows voting by electronic means, and there is nothing in the Bylaws that prohibits a meeting like the one we are having now. Accordingly, Gabe, Neal, and Jorn were asked if they would volunteer to serve on the Board; all three agreed and their appointments were seconded and approved.

Future Meetings – Dan Feighery is scheduled to do a presentation on digital image processing in February; the Learn 30 is Lorrin Garson and Truecrypt encryption software. (We may do Geof’s presentation on CES in place of Truecrypt.) Author Abby Stokes is scheduled for March and will talk about social networking. Since it is part of a book tour, Gabe thinks she may want to sell books at the meeting. Gabe also mentioned possible meeting topics such as Voice over IP, IPv6, securing your router, and emphasized using presentations by local officials that would include license plate readers and traffic management technology.

Meeting Adjournment – 2:55PM

BoD Minutes by Bill Walsh – WAC Secretary