

SCPD "Let's Compute" Computer Club

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting December 20, 2007

The Board of Directors met at 9:00 a.m. on December 20, in the Idyllwild Room of the Mountain View Clubhouse. Board members present were: Lyn Morse, Jack Drill, Shelia Harbet, Barbara Kaye, Kent McDonald, Howard Reese and Jan Grenert. Members present were Moe Sullivan, Monitor Coordinator and Betsy Lewis, Chair of the Financial Review Committee.

The minutes of the prior meeting were read and approved without change.

Treasurer Jack Drill said the balance of the Operating account was \$17,373.20. The balance of the Equipment account is \$26,510.84. The Equipment account is a reserve set aside for future purchases of PCs, Macs, software and other equipment for the lab. The total in the club treasury is \$43,884.04.

The Board recently voted by email to purchase two Microsoft cameras. The purchase will be made through Jack Drill's son-in-law, who works for Microsoft. He is able to purchase the cameras for the club at a discounted price. A compilation of the Board members email votes is attached to these minutes.

Barbara Kaye made a motion to purchase two copies of the latest Quicken 2007 for the Mac. The program will be utilized by the Treasurer for keeping the club's financial records and by the Financial Review Committee. Shelia seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Jack Drill said the Financial Review Committee has suggested that the club establish a Staples credit card for the purchase of supplies. Jack said the club purchases around \$4600 per year in supplies, many of which are from Staples. He has discussed the feasibility of using a club credit card with Michael Swift, the CFO of SCPDCA, but no decision has been made.

Kent Mc Donald said the membership is now at 901. He also discussed how he solved a problem with the Phaser printer. Frequently when the printer is activated in the morning, it defaults to the wrong feeder tray. Kent has solved the problem, temporarily. However, if the printer is rebooted (turned off then turned on) it will default to the original miss-setting.

Kent said he has the club's new Mac at home and has been upgrading programs on the new Mac with the Leopard OS. (This new Mac came loaded with Tiger, and Kent has installed the Leopard OS, which came with the new Mac as an upgrade disc). He also said the club's subscription to TechTool Pro has been updated to work with Leopard and Tiger.

Shelia Harbet said the January class calendar is out and she is working on the one for February. She is looking for more teachers. There will be a Teacher/Monitor Meeting on January 28 in Speakers Hall.

Barbara Kaye reported that the video cards in some of the PCs are failing. She takes the units to the PC Club where they were purchased, and they install replacements at no charge. She is also dealing with the PCs which do not recognize CD burning drives.

Howard Reese, Director of Programs, said Carolina Sanabia of Cyber Defender will present the program at the January General Meeting. She indicated that she would be giving out free Internet Security CD to those attending the meeting.

Howard said he needed more prizes as giveaways for the meetings and asked Shelia, Jack and Lyn to make purchases for this purpose.

The Board reviewed class offerings for Association staff members stating they would be allowed to audit and/or participate in classes if seats are available. The staff trades off their lunch time allowance in order to take classes.

Howard said the Association is making an effort to reach people without computer skills who would benefit from some instruction. He suggested Email classes for district delegates that would cover various email programs.

PC and Mac instructors have reported that their basic class files are missing from the computers. It is unknown how the files have been deleted.

Barbara said that files can be sent to each computer via a shared connection from the Teachers' Computers.

The Board agreed to re-new the club's subscription to Lynda.com.

Lou Shapiro has donated a Cannon Pixma Photo Printer to the club. He won the printer at the recent Apple presentation.

Lyn reported that Don Eye of the MacGallery, wants the club to consider a 3 year leasing of Mac equipment. He was directed to contact Jack or Kent.

Jack said he had received a request from Association Board Member Bill Murphy to assist residents by presenting a demo on how to use Gateaccess.com to enter information. The discussion was stopped at his request.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Grenert, Secretary