

SCPD "Let's Compute" Computer Club

Minutes of Board Meeting
July 20, 2004

Let it be noted that the Board did not meet in the month of June

The Board of Directors met on July 20, 2004 in the computer lab. Board members present were Sheldon Plotkin, Lyn Morse, Kent McDonald, Pete Claar and Jan Grenert. Absent were Dave Allan and Jim Calvert.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

Jan Grenert presented the Treasurers report for Dave Allan. The balance in the treasury is \$34,167.01. There are currently 476 members. Included in the balance are reserve funds of \$21,570.17 carried over from the previous year.

Lyn Morse said a notice mailed to her at the computer club address was placed in her file drawer without her knowledge and resulted in merchandise being returned to sender. She suggested that persons picking up the club's mail at the front desk, alert a recipient when placing mail in their file folder.

Lyn reported that Smart Computing sent the club four gift certificates for subscriptions to the magazine. This was a result of the number of subscriptions sold when they presented the program at a general meeting.

In making plans for future general meeting programs, Lyn is trying to get a response from Nik Multimedia (September): Voice Factor who now represents Dragon Naturally Speaking (October) and PCology (November)

A discussion was held on training videos for Mac and Pc from MacAcademy. Lyn suggested that the club consider purchasing the Photo Shop CS training video to assist in teaching that program on PC or Mac.

Pete Claar reported that he has purchased a 250 Gbyte portable hard drive that can be used to backup the PCs and MACs as well as providing extra disk space if needed. He also purchased a portable DVD burner that can be used on the PCs and MACs. In addition Pete purchased 2 each firewire/USB2 interfaces that were installed on the Instructor's PC (newer one) and the PC in the back row next to the wall. Barbara Kaye installed the Interfaces. Jack Drill is working with the DVD and Dale Seffer is planning to work with the hard drive. (Note: The board previously approved all purchases.)

Pete explained the need for two copies of Roxio Version 7 to be used with Moviemaker. The estimated cost of each is \$80. Pete made a motion that the board approve the purchase. Kent seconded the motion and it passed.

Kent said the video camera is installed on the Mac and is ready for video chat with another Mac or PC that also has a video camera. The board suggested that a presentation showing how the cameras worked might be an interesting program for one of the general meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Grenert
Secretary