

**LAGUNA WOODS VILLAGE PC CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

January 2, 2006

Present: Marge Amstadter, Mary Brunner, Anne Clark, Burt Goldstein, Kaye Hammerman, Katy Link, Norm Salzberg, Lydia Savedoff, Kathryn Taylor, John Trask, Roger Turner (Presiding). Absent: Robin Nahas, Joe Schwarz.

The meeting was opened by President Roger Turner at 3:30 P.M. It was MSP (Marge, Burt) that the minutes of the December meeting be approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report – Mary Brunner: Mary distributed a report summarizing Income and Expenses for the entire 2005 year. The largest source of income, by far, was member dues followed by class fees and donations. The major expenses were for the Workshop, followed by the Learning Center and Class expenses. Income exceeded expenses by \$6500 for the year. It was MSP (Kathy, Burt) that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Mary recommended that we set up an Audit Committee to review the books as this should be done each year. Charles Nahas and David Kravitz were suggested as possible appointees.

President's Report – Roger Turner: Mary has suggested that we have a Club Historian. Records and other memorabilia can be given to the Historical Society for archiving. Kathy volunteered to take this on. Roger thanked the Board members for their efforts. He also thanked Katy for putting out the e-mail notice (originating from Norm) advising our members that our old computers will be available for sale at the warehouse before that information appears in the LW News. Anne will post the information on the Web Site.

Roger also mentioned that two of our Supervisors passed away recently. Since we have no Sunshine Committee, Mary offered to send cards.

Roger then went on to discuss the Broadband situation. There is a public meeting on January 13th and the decision will be made later this month. Roger has composed a letter to the President of GRF and the Board recommending that we retain ownership of the system. Internet access, which is part of the package, is important to a significant portion of the community. Lydia suggested that the Board pass a resolution to that effect. It was MSP (Kathy, Lydia) that the following resolution should appear in our minutes "Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Laguna Woods Village PC Club supports our President's letter to GRF and recommends that the Broadband system be retained "in-house"..."

Education – Kaye Hammerman: Registration for the January session started slow but has picked up so that now all but two classes are filled. Practical Computing is being discontinued due to lack of interest. An Education meeting is scheduled for January 3rd. Some new classes will be introduced in 2006.

The SIGs have been very successful. February SIGs are on ProShow Gold, (Burt Goldstein), Q& A (Stan Gendelman), Photoshop Elements (Bob Gordon), Internet/e-mail (Norm Salzberg). Roger commented on Thursday's SIG on eBay, presented by Marcel Behar's son, Ricky, The room was filled to overflowing even though the presentation was not on the usual Saturday. The presentation was excellent.

Leisure Bytes – Marge Amstadter: Marge said that they had run out of copies of this issue. Roger approved an additional printing. Deadline for the next issue is January 9th.

Website – Anne Clark: The Classified page is still not very active. Kaye commented that there used to be a description of the various courses that is not now available. Anne said that she would look into it. The club name on the Home page has been changed but nothing has been done as yet on the domain change. Roger said that it probably should be LWVPCClub. It should be changed on the Laguna Woods Village Website. GRF does not expect to hear about approval of the name until March. We will have to look into this.

Workshop – Norm Salzberg: Equipment Status: WebCam and Skype 2.0 (free video call) installed on computer 22 and 24. One computer and one monitor died and were replaced by the spare units. We have one spare computer, monitor and network printer. Recommend replacing remaining 20 CRT monitors with LCDs during 2006. The new Dell computers did not come with DVD players. The computers should be upgraded to achieve this capacity. We should be able to do this ourselves. Program status: All systems to be surveyed to update program versions available per unit.

Personnel status – A Supervisor and a Substitute died last week and a supervisor is seriously ill. The Saturday morning shift is down two Supervisors. A Substitute (and former Supervisor) also died last week and one of the Friday afternoon Supervisors is seriously ill. At present there are 44 active Supervisors and 21 active Greeters. Attendance for 2005 will be available soon. The House Call list was revised and copies are available at the Greeter's desk.

Publicity – Kaye Hammerman: A TV interview has been set up for Norm.

Programs – Roger Turner: The January program is on Google. Roger has an interesting book on the business side of Google. It will be the first attendance prize to be awarded at the meeting. Ira and Burt are working with Roger on programs. Russ Suter from Circuit City will be the presenter at the February meeting. He is in the Digital Camera department but is knowledgeable in other areas. They will meet with him regarding his program subject matter..

Membership – Katy Link: Robin has been ill but sent the following report to Katy : There are 89 new memberships or renewals and there are some yet to be processed.

Other Business: Kathy offered to clean screens and will get the supplies.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 P.M.

Lydia Savedoff, Secretary