

MacWest Board Meeting
Minutes

February 2, 2010

Present: Doris Turner, Bernadine Ginsberg, Linda Victor, Judy Archer, Nancy Pines, Ed Pisacich, Carole Williams, Bruce Merrihew, Nancy Owen, Frank Treibel, Frank Krezel, Jean Christiansen, and Judy Van Sickle

Chair Yvonne Stone opened the meeting at 11:45. Yvonne announced that she had received word that member Lee Holmstrom had died. Also, due to the secretary's delayed arrival, Doris Turner substituted as secretary for the first few minutes of the meeting.

Reports

Secretary: The minutes of the January Board Meeting were approved as posted.

Treasurer: Judy Van Sickle presented the December Treasurer's Report in Bob Byrnes' absence. The balance as of December 31, 2009, is \$15,501.64.

Vice Chair: The Program Committee has completed plans through much of April, and at its next meeting will work to finalize presentations for May and October. The schedule for Q & A leaders is almost complete for the entire year. Tuesday Q & As will continue through May, then move to Fridays for June, July, August, and September. The summer Q & As will be called "Grab Bag Sessions" and will occasionally include a quick demonstration, then proceed to the Q & A portion of the meeting.

Membership/Raffle: Nancy Owen reported that the New Member Coffee held on January 9, was successful. About 20 new Mac people attended. It was suggested that in the future, the event be held on a day other than Saturday. The raffle is going well.

Education: Jean Christansen reported on the classes to be held during February and those scheduled thus far for March. She plans to do a survey in March of members' interests in classes for the future. Jean also reported on the Computers West Open House. There were ten new members enrolled and 20 renewals received as a result of the event. Yvonne reported that the Apple Store representative arrived late and Mac Media filled in with the iPhone presentation. The Apple Store representative helped Bill Turvin with the How to Buy a Mac presentation and that that went really well and enhanced the presentation.

Systems Administrator: Ed Pisacich reported that there are new instructions for using the projector and that the sound system has been fixed.

Publicity: Linda Victor announced Computers West upcoming events to be advertised in the PORA newsletter. She explained a glitch in the emailing of the news items sent to the Rec Center News which has been ironed out. She also reported that 3096 cell phones have been collected for soldiers.

Mac Message: Bernadine Ginsberg reported that the deadline for the Mac Message is 6:00 p.m., Friday, February 19, 2010.

Monitor: Judy Archer reported that there were openings in the monitoring schedule that need to be filled in order to keep the club open.

Social Events: Nancy Pines reported that she has tentatively scheduled the Winter Party for January 11, 2011, at Briarwood Country Club. The band has been rescheduled for that date. Discussion concerning the cost of more than \$30.00 per person at Briarwood may discourage members from attending. A \$500.00 non-refundable deposit was required to hold the date. Some suggestions came out of the discussion which included the possibility of having a luncheon with entertainment instead of dinner and check out Palm Brook Country Club. This would lower the cost and may appeal to members. Nancy will do more research and report back. The date of January 11, 2011 may change. Nancy will do an email survey to members to determine feelings about the party. The St. Patrick's Day party will be on March 16, 2010. Classic Catering will serve the meal.

Library: Judy Van Sickle reported no changes in the Library. She will provide the list of holdings to Carole Williams for posting on the MacsWest website within the next week.

Web Master: Carole Williams reported that all is up-to-date with the web page. She talked to Melanie Schoenfeld about wanting a demarkation between the classes on the Education page and Melanie was able to provide a red line between the classes.

Calendar: Doris Turner reported all was in order on the calendar.

Member at Large: Frank Krezel was asked by Yvonne for a photograph of Lee Holmstrom for a memorial item on the web site.

Old Business

Ray Hicks, Bill Turvin, and Ed Zacko will continue to provide help on the Help Section of the MacsWest web site. It was noted that because Ed Zacko will be traveling extensively in the next year that his name be removed from the list. Yvonne asked Frank Krezel to take a photograph of the Help Section team.

New Business

Bob Byrnes is working on the MacsWest Operating Manual and Yvonne asked everyone to get their updated procedures to Bob as soon as possible.

Yvonne asked that the Green Apples Coordinator be added to the list of Board Members. She will make a formal request of the board for approval.

Chair Yvonne Stone adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

Submitted by,

Judy Van Sickle
Secretary