

Tellico Village Computer Users Club

April 13, 2010 Board Meeting

3:00 PM Meeting called to order by Bob Foster, President.

Board Members Present: Bob Foster, Peter McDermott, Gary Corn, Jan Schneck, Dennis Malcolm, Jim Peterson and Ken Ray

Board Members Absent: Steve Popovich and Sharon Addison

Also in attendance: Bob Kutschera, Dean Miller, Bob Mugge, Joe Solymossy and Warren Sanders

Peter McDermott motioned to approve the March 9, 2010 Board Meeting minutes and the minutes of the General Meeting of April 6, 2010. Jim Peterson seconded. The Board approved.

OFFICER REPORTS

President, Bob Foster – No report

Vice President, Pete McDermott – No report

Treasurer, Gary Corn

- Presented the Treasurer's Report for the month ended March 31, 2010.
- Mr. Corn commented that Constant Contact and the mailbox annual fees have been paid. The Webmaster's quarterly fee also has been paid.
- The United Way fiscal year begins April 1. TAP had requested \$12,000 for this fiscal, but we were granted \$5,000. This will have a significant impact on the budget. Beginning in the second quarter, we will get \$1,250 quarterly versus the \$9,000 we had in the 2010 budget – a \$5,250 shortfall for this year. TAP is not considered as serious a need as the many charities they contribute to who need things like food, shelter, clothing, shoes, etc., so TAP is surely not at the top of the United Way list. The TAP budget, as shown in the March report, was projected with a \$4,569 surplus for 2010. The United Way setback will get TAP to just about break even.
- Sanders commented that TAP has more printers than needed and they've been getting well ahead on cartridges, so he expects consumables expenses to be down for the next several months.
- **Jim Peterson motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. Peter McDermott seconded. The Board approved.**
- Corn asked the Board to consider revising budget for 2010, adjusted to reflect the reduced United Way contributions rather than to report month after month the repetitive shortfall. **Jan Schneck motioned to revise the 2010 budget to reflect the actual expected United Way contributions. Jim Peterson seconded. The Board approved.**
- Corn presented the revised budget as agreed upon. **Dennis Malcolm motioned to accept the revised 2010 budget as presented. Jan Schneck seconded. The Board approved.**
- Sanders commented that when pledging to the United Way, you can designate funds specifically to TAP. Any funds specifically designated for any particular charity are not included in the UW Board's commitments. Specially designated funds would be in addition to the Board's allocations.

Secretary, Jan Schneck – No report

Past President, Sharon Addison – Absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership Committee

- Bob Kutschera, sitting in for Jim Autry, read Autry's Membership Report. There were 45 members and 7 guests at the March General Meeting.
- During March, there were 14 new memberships with 23 renewal memberships for a total of 37 and including 16 additional members. \$560 was turned over to the Treasurer. This included \$5 paid in March to complete a previous \$10 payment by one member in February.
- Currently there are 297 paid 2010 memberships and 158 additional members for a total of 455 total members.
- A list of 2010 members, separated by interest group, was forwarded to the chairman of each interest group so they can take appropriate action. This listing will be updated quarterly and distributed likewise.

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Computer Education Committee

- Bob Mugge said he had e-mailed the available times in Room D. This month he has times available, but has no instructors available. Karen Brown said she cannot teach Word and related programs because it conflicts with what she does for the Library. She did say she would teach Keyboard Shortcuts to avoid carpal tunnel syndrome.
- Solymossy asked if any Open Houses were planned and Mugge said no, but he would schedule some if he got some volunteered help.

Communications Committee

- Dean Miller APCUG has been updated and the website is working now. He questioned who is to take responsibility for updating the content. Bob Foster thought that belonged with Communications.
- www.tellicovillageonline.com (not a POA site) lists some activities and groups. On there, we are indicated as having a meeting every Tuesday of the month. Miller got back to someone and eventually had that corrected to say 7 to 8:30 the first Tuesday of each month. He has no idea what the purpose of that site is, but the person he spoke with said they get 700-800 hits per month.
- Tel-E-Gram for April indicated the General Meeting was the BOD meeting. Foster will talk to them about that.
- Foster would like more exposure in the Connection. We just get a small mention in the calendar at the back. Miller will see what he can do about that.
- Regarding Guidestar.org, Miller has looked the site over and finds it's a database of charitable organizations and the listing wants financial information, mission statement, progress toward goals, etc. as well as office names, addresses, phones, etc. Mugge stressed that before we go anywhere with the site, we should find out what the site is for and who uses it. Foster agreed and suggested that anyone who has the time might check it out and we can discuss it next month.
- The Long Range Planning Committee has asked for our Newsletter to encourage members to offer their input regarding the long-range plan as seen on Channel 3. Foster agreed the Newsletter could mention the issue and solicit members' input for them, but that's about it.
- Miller advised Schneck that the TVCUC website has the January minutes on twice. She'll look into it.

Technology Access Program Committee

- Sanders stated that we have now given away 431 systems to benefit 718 children.

NEW BUSINESS

Laptop Loans

- Sanders presented a proposal to loan to members a laptop for a period of up to 3 weeks for vacation or other uses. He presented a form for the recipient to sign confirming membership and agreeing to return the laptop in the shape received. The member will agree to the garage-sale price of the laptop and will agree to pay the purchase price if anything happens to the laptop. Mugge wondered if it would be advisable to loan our classroom laptops. It was generally agreed that TAP garage-sale merchandise is certainly preferred for lending. The Board agreed this is a good idea and Sanders said he will write up something for Frank to put in the Newsletter.

April Program

- Foster said that Stephanie Beane will present *Social Media for Geezers*. Among the things she will discuss are Face Book and Twitter.

May Raffle

- APCUG sent us *Windows 7 Ultimate*. Foster suggested we raffle that off for \$5 per ticket. The system requirements for this software need to be defined, so the winner will be able to use it. This needs to be advertised in the Newsletter and elsewhere.

Lamp for Projector

- Foster bought a lamp for the Club's projector at a cost of \$195 plus \$12.24 for shipping.

MEETING ADJOURNED 4:25 P.M.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING MAY 4, 2010 @ 7:00 PM AT THE YACHT CLUB

NEXT BOARD MEETING MAY 11, 2010 @ 3:00 PM AT THE CHOTA REC CENTER