

MacTechnics Board Meeting
April 12, 2008
Meeting location, Washtenaw County LLRC

President, JoAnn Olsen called meeting to order 2:05 p.m.

In Attendance:

Nicholas DePaul (by iChat), Gerry Felipe, Kathy Greiner, Dean Martelle, Jim Monkiewicz, JoAnn Olsen, Cassie St. Clair. (Six constitutes a quorum.)

Secretary: The February minutes were not available, and will be approved at the next Board meeting. The March 8th meeting was done on iChat, and the record of the iChat will be the minutes for the meeting.

Treasurer: Cassie reported that we brought in \$147.50 in membership dues at the February meeting and interest income was \$1.16. Expenses for were \$60 for newsletter printing, and \$24.38 for CD's and DVDs, a marketing expense for future raffles. Membership income from the March 15th meeting was \$180.00, and we also received a \$20 donation from Roger Vance, as well as \$1.22 in interest. Our March expenses were \$40.13 for our presenter's lunch, \$60 for newsletter printing and \$25.41 for FileMaker 9 book for our March raffle. Cassie moved and Gerry seconded the motion to accept the income and expense reports for February and March, and the motion carried. Cassie reported the County LLRC was reserved for the June meeting.

President's Report:

JoAnn said that she will present the 2008 President's Volunteer Service Awards at the May meeting. 9 members were nominated: D. McLampy, F. Seitz, J. Fauver, L. Parisek, L. Olsen, M. Smith, R. Hafer, R. Lougheed, and T. Kiernan. The award cost is \$27 plus shipping for a total of \$35.00.

There was a discussion on alternate meeting locations, necessary because we will have to start paying \$400 each month to heat Ann Arbor Open on our meeting days in the cold months. Discussion included the UM School of Art and Architecture which has been offered for no cost. The membership will be polled for their feedback and recommendations after the April meeting in that location. Dean moved and Gerry seconded a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Washtenaw County Learning Library and Resource Center for the use of their rooms for our meetings in 2008. The motion carried.

JoAnn has sent Jack Pyle several emails with no response, so she doesn't know if he knows he was elected the Board position he volunteered for. No one at this meeting had his phone number.

VP of Communications:

JoAnn, in the absence of a VP for Communications, announced upcoming events:

April: Dan Burnett will demonstrate for Microsoft (meeting to be held at MI Interactive Designers on North Campus, in the Art and Architecture Bldg. Park of Fuller Rd in the visitor parking). Don will donate two Expression Media software packages for our raffle

May: Mike Smith: Photoshop Elements at Ann Arbor Open

June: Doug Bilmeyer from the Apple store: AppleScript/Automator demo at the County LLRC

July: No meeting.

August: VOIP presentation? Washtenaw Wireless? Perhaps a panel presentation on Broadband satellite?

JoAnn would like help on topics for the fall. Those discussed were home networking, how to secure your base station, possibly by the “geek squad”; and how to back up with Time Machine. Dean will ask Linda to present on Averenum & Geneforce games for September or October. Kathryn and Dean agreed to ask members for topic ideas at the end of the SIG meetings.

Membership Secretary:

Steve was not present and gave no report.

Newsletter Editor:

Nicholas reported by iChat that has information for the April newsletter. He will list the names of new members.

Webmaster:

Jim added Rich Text Editor to WebYep and is adopting Web 2.0 standards. He is putting shorter articles on the main page, and more tools for visitors to navigate the site. Jim will add meetings for other user groups in the area, and add members’ reviews of books. Jim may do a website review at the next meeting, and again in the fall.

VP of Education: There was no report from Jane Frank (in Florida) or Carol Hutchison.

VP of Volunteers:

Dean is still looking for deals on a projector. Dean would like a list of members and their email addresses. He will keep a list of those who volunteer to be nominated for future service awards.

Director at Large: Erven Thoma was not present.

New Business:

The next main meeting will be held Saturday, April at the UM School of Art & Architecture, and the next Board meeting will be held June 14th at 1:30 at the Washtenaw County Learning Library Resource Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kathryn Greiner, Secretary

