

SPACE

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President's Corner

by Michael Current
December, 1999

We had a very productive meeting in November, thanks to everyone!

We passed most of the Bylaws changes which I had proposed for Article IV. We rejected the idea of dropping the BBS Operator position. And, we were able to elect a full slate of officers and fill all the volunteer positions as well. It should be another great year for SPACE in 2000.

We were also able to agree that it will be prudent to begin auctioning-off the Club's library of hardware, software, books and magazines. This will take many months, but it will put these materials back hopefully were they might get used.

Back in the September Newsletter I reviewed Article V in the Bylaws, concerning meetings, and made a couple suggestions. Section 3 reads:

Special Meetings can be called by the Executive Board or upon the written request of 10 club members. The purpose of the meeting shall be stated in the call. Except in the case of emergency, at least 3 days notice shall be given.

At first I was concerned that the fixed number of 10 members should be changed to something relative to the current number of members. But what I would like to propose instead is that we just strike Section 3, doing away with this idea of Special Meetings. There haven't been any since I've been here, and I can't really imagine ever having one.

Section 4 reads:

Fifteen (15) members of the club constitute a quorum, when current membership exceeds 50; all other times a quorum shall be 7 members.

I had to look it up: a quorum is supposed to be the minimum number of members necessarily present in order to have a meeting. This does need to be updated to be relative to current membership. But I guess I'm not sure what to propose. Shall we discuss?

Thanks, keep using that Atari, and please come to your next SPACE meeting, Friday December 10. It's the SPACE Christmas Party!



Secretary's Report

by Mike Weist
December, 1999

Space minutes for November 12, 1999

Space meeting opened at 7:35 PM. Michael Current, Space club president, welcomed members to the meeting. Michael asked for a secretary report. A minutes report for October given by Greg Leitner, because club secretary, Mike Weist was not at October meeting. Greg Leitner said it was a good meeting. There were almost enough members present to vote on amendments to clubs' bylaws. No nominations were made for club officers and volunteer positions. Meeting was closed at 8:15 PM.

Michael Current asked for a treasurer report. Greg Leitner, club treasurer, stated the club's treasury has not changed much. Club paid out for some bills, had 1 membership renewal, and sold 5 DOM's. The treasury stands at \$1400.

Michael Current asked for a DOM report. Glenn Kirschenmann, DOM chair, gave a report. Glenn said on the Disk of the Month it had games from the Belcom folder on the CD ROM Disk.

Michael Current asked for a Membership report. Glenn Kirschenmann, membership, gave a report. Glenn stated membership is down to 15 paid up members.

OLD BUSINESS

Article 4, Section 1 amendment making a the Secretary position a officers position passes.

Article 4, section 2 amendment clarifying officer's duties and adding secretary's duties passes.

Article 4, Section 3, NO CHANGES

Article 4, Section 4 amendment to drop volunteer positions passes except the bulletin board system operator position is kept.

Election of officers and volunteer position- Since no nominations were made at October meeting, nominations were taken at November meeting. There was only one contested election, which was the membership position. The election was between Brian Little and Glenn Kirschenmann.

Glen Kirschenmann defeated Brian Little. The officers and volunteers in the other positions, agreed to serve another year

A Christmas party potluck list was circulated by the club secretary. Christmas party plans were discussed. Space Club will supply the napkins and utensils.

Michael Current talked about Atari software, hardware, magazines and other stuff in storage in back of meeting room. Michael asked the membership what should be done about storage area. Michael proposed selling property to interested members or having a auction. Michael said if there was no objection from the membership, property could be prepared for a auction or to be sold to the members interested. Michael said this would be a slow process. It was voted on and approved

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM



Treasurer's Report

by Greg Leitner
December, 1999

It was so satisfying to see eleven members at the November SPACE meeting. We accomplished more at this meeting than all the meetings through the summer months. We actually updated the Club by-laws that we talked about since early summer and held our elections for the new year also. Because the officers and other volunteers represent the Club in whole it was nice to see that a majority was in attendance to decide who these members were going to be. As it resulted, there will be

no changes in the positions that were currently held, so everything remains status-quo for the millennium year 2000.

We had a rather small auction in November but the bidding was still hotly contested and the Club made \$62.00 after payouts. Together with a very entertaining DOM from Glen and the month was very successful financially for the Club. Glen took in one membership renewal and sold eight DOM's, so along with the auction money the receipts for the November meeting was \$101.00.

Our expenses for November was \$10.00 monthly BBS bill and we paid for the last three months newsletter expenses. These totaled \$36.73 and with our receipts the treasury grew another \$64.27 to now stand at \$1,464.78. One outstanding bill remains unpaid and that is the third quarter room rental bill which should be \$130.00. Remember that represents one less month because of change in the date for our August meeting.

As you can see the Club is doing very well and foresee another great year coming up. Atari is still alive and I was reminded that when I got home from the Friday meeting in November and saw the commercial about the new Atari Pong game that is being released for the Playstation and PC formats. It's great to see that Atari name on TV again.

Don't forget the December Xmas party. The Club will spring for all the utensils and non-food items. All you have to do is bring your family and a food dish to share and join us all for a special evening of fun. We have a lot to be thankful for this Thanksgiving, and SPACE is lucky to be blessed with caring members who give their valuable time and resources to support a format that probably should have vanished years ago. My hat goes off to all of you. See you at the party.

Space 17th Christmas Party

Space Atarians mark your calendars! December 10th will be the Space Christmas party night. If you remember in the past, we had some really nasty weather around the time we would have our annual Christmas party. Most the time, however, the Christmas party would go on as scheduled. One time though, it had to be rescheduled. The annual Christmas parties are a fun time. Club members getting together and talking about Atari stuff and having a delicious potluck meal. Once in a while, during our Christmas party, we have old club members and visitors show up.

At our last meeting in November a Christmas party potluck was circulated. If you didn't make the meeting, but plan to attend the Christmas party, please bring a potluck item. I am hoping the Fitzpatrick's show up with a big delicious cake. And this year I hope I don't leave the heart and gizzard inside the turkey when I am cooking it. Here is the potluck list----

**MIKE WEIST
MIKE SCHMIDT
GLEN KIRSCHMANN
LANCE RINGQUIST
BILL COTTER
BRIAN LITTLE
GREG LEITNER
SPACE CLUB**

**BIG DELICIOUS TURKEY
DESSERT
SWEET POTATOES
COOKIES
COOKIES OR BARS
DORITOES & ENTERTAINMENT
ICE COLD POP
NAPKINS & UTENSILS**

See you all at the Christmas party.
Mike Weist

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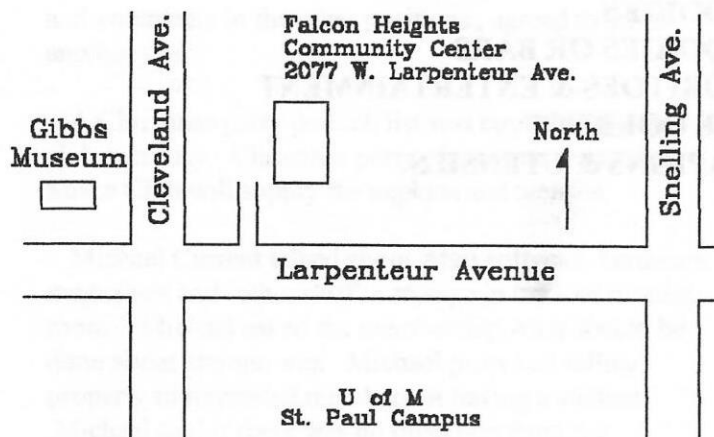
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