Central Coast Communications Society

Annual General Meeting

April 22, 2009

Minutes

Board Members Present: Ron Evans, David McCauley, Mike Wigle
Regrets: Stuart Ward
Contractors Present: Jean Prins
Regrets: Babs Goertz, James Hindley, Lesley Harrison, Krista Gunderson
Members Present: Rob Grueter, Betty ___, Lyle Enderude, Doug Baker

(According to the constitution [Part 4, Section 16 (3)] 3 members constitute a quorum at the AGM so this meeting may continue.) A quorum was declared.

1) Adopt Agenda

MOTION: to adopt the Agenda David/Lyle - Adopted

2) Introduce Board and Contractors

3) Adopt May 5, 2008 Minutes

MOTION: to adopt the Minutes Mike/David – Adopted

4) Business Arising
   none

5) Board and Contractor Reports
   a. President (Ron)
      Ron gave a brief history of the past year including the progress that has been made to re-build our network. The tower on Fogner mountain was finished and has been a stable link to 4-mile reserve. We can walk to this tower to maintain it. We put all new equipment and batteries on Saloompt Mountain. Even so the solar panels failed to keep the batteries charged during and a wind generator was eventually added. This outage did not last as long as outages in previous years and only affected Valley members. This outage was exasperated by the failure of the 5.8 GHz radio on the mountain. James put a temporary link in place and eventually the 5.8 GHz link was restored. There have been some sporadic local outages, but the majority of the network has operated very well since mid-January.
   b. Financial Report (Lesley)
      Lesley was absent so Ron presented the financial report which shows an almost $22000 loss for 2008. This was due to outage costs and the significant amount of equipment that was purchased this year. Part of the apparent loss was offset by a $12000 loan from John Morton for the Saloompt equipment.

MOTION: to adopt the Financial Report Lyle/David – Adopted

c. Other board members (Mike, David, Stuart)
   Mike gave a short report and mentioned the difficulty of getting new and old members reconnected to the network as quickly as we would like.
d. Technical Report (Dial-up and High-speed) (James)
   James was absent so Ron and the other board members filled the members in on the technical issues that were dealt with this year.

MOTION: to adopt all the reports David/Lyle – Adopted

6) Questions from the floor
   Doug is president of the tourism society and expressed concern that all members of that society have high-speed Internet access.

7) Nominations for new board members (requires a nominator and a secondary and the nominated people must be members in good standing)
   a. We will be filling 3 board positions for terms of 2 years each.
   b. We will be filling 1 board position for the remaining 1 year term to fill the empty seat.

   Nominations: Stuart Ward, Doug Baker, Ron Evans, David McCauley

8) Nominee's statements (if any)
   none

9) Vote for new board members (secret ballot)
   Election results: All nominees are elected by acclamation. Doug Baker will fill the 1 year term.

10) Membership may renew or Change the arrangement for board member access to the Internet (The current arrangement has the board members paying $20/month with no over time charges for dial-up and $30/month with overage charges levied as in a Gold package for high speed depending on which service is available in their neighborhood.)

MOTION: to extend the board arrangement for until the next AGM
Lyle/Rob – Passed

11) Member Motions (if any) (show of hands)
   None
   There was some further discussion and the membership expressed the desire to have the tech at the AGM and asks that James supply a tech report to the membership as soon as possible. Jean will post it on the website.

12) The new board will take office
   Ron declared the new board to be in office.

13) Adjourn

MOTION: to adjourn David
Meeting adjourned