

CCCS Board Meeting Minutes March 8, 2010

Board Members Present: Ron Evans, Mike Wigle, Doug Baker, David McCauley, Stuart Ward

Contractors Present: Lesley Harrison, Jean Prins, James Hindley; **Regrets:** Krista Gunderson

Members Present: None

1) Adopt Agenda

Motion: to adopt the agenda as amended

Mike/Stuart Adopted

2) Member Presentations

- a) none

3) Adopt minutes

- a) February 8, 2010 meeting

Motion: to adopt the February 8, 2010 Minutes as amended

David/Doug Adopted

4) Business Arising

- a) Several points were discussed and the discussion got around to the fact that the 24 line digital line is now costing us significantly more than we are bringing in with dial-up subscriptions. A smaller number of analog lines will handle our dial-up traffic.

Motion: We will remove the 24 digital lines from our system and increase our analog lines to a total of 6.

Stuart/David Passed

5) Contractor Reports/Presentations

- a) Financial Reports
 - i. Lesley presented the financial reports.

Motion: to adopt the Financial Reports as presented

Doug/David Adopted

- b) Public Relations and Webmaster reports (Jean)

- i. Jean submitted a verbal report. There have been few calls for repairs.
- ii. There was a problem with our Domain Name that was taken care of.
- iii. There were 3 or 4 calls that were solved using Tier 1 support.
- iv. Data monitoring system is working well.

c) Network Services Report (James)

- i. Dial-up status – There is a concern that we may not have a back-up of Dial-up Server. James will ‘ghost’ the hard drive.
- ii. Back-bone network state –
 1. 4-Mile Mountain went down and James was unable to restart it remotely. James flew up to 4-Mile with Richard, repaired the problem, and added an RMS that would allow remote re-boot. Then they flew to Saloompt peak, where James filled the batteries, and readjusted the access point dishes. The wind generator is in good condition after the winter and is working well. Saloompt is also remotely re-bootable. Richard donated this flight to the Society. Thank-you very much Richard!
 2. The Microtik won’t store user data. James is addressing this issue with the new Microtik software licenses for a computer.
- iii. New installs – several were done and there are 6 on the waitlist.
- iv. Repairs – We need to replace the old radios. Sydney Edgar’s CPE was moved to improve his connection.
- v. Equipment and consumables required for the next 2 months – We need more CPE radios and wire. We also need some power protection for the Fogner equipment.

Motion: We will provide \$1000 budget for the purchase of 6 CPE radios and a box of wire.

Stuart/David Passed

Motion: We will provide \$300 budget for the purchase of 2 UPSs for Fogner.

Doug/Stuart Passed

- vi. Work documentation and system documentation – James has supplied the board with system documentation. It is excellent as far as it goes, but some portions need to be updated. James is working on that.
- vii. Comments – There is now a Google Earth document that indicates the locations of our equipment.

Motion: to adopt the contractor reports.

David/Mike Adopted

6) New Business

- a) Motion passed by e-mail on March 6th.

Motion: We will provide \$1000 budget for the purchase of 6 CPE radios and a box of wire.

Doug/David Passed

- b) Adding a pre-paid Package Data Booster option for members was discussed.

Motion: We will establish a Package Data Booster option for members who know they will be using more data than their subscription will support. The Package Data Booster (PDB) may be purchased by members who are on a Standard subscription plan or higher. The PDB is NOT available to members who are on the Basic Subscription. The PDB can be purchased for \$50, which will give the member 25 Gb of data above their current subscription data allowance. The PDB will NOT increase the member's access speed. The data from the PDB will roll over into a subsequent month if it is not used. To apply the PDB must be purchased before the end of the month and cannot be purchased to cover data already being invoiced as overages.

David/Mike Passed

- c) James gave the board a system topology. It is excellent as far as it goes, but does require some updating. Thanks James! We look forward to the up-to-date version.
- d) James drafted a letter for the paper. We will review it on e-mail and then submit it to the paper.
- e) Contract with Dave Harris to assess our system – This was discussed and it was decided not to proceed with this at this time.
- f) We received a letter from Tweedsmuir Travel concerning some outages earlier in the year and will respond to it. – Thank-you.

7) Next Meeting: April 8, 2010

Motion: to adjourn

Mike

Meeting Adjourned

Remember our AGM will be April 19, 2010 at 7:30 at SAMS. [Mike and Doug are up for re-election.]

