

**BELLA VISTA COMPUTER CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
April 10, 2017**

The regular monthly General Meeting of the Bella Vista computer Club was held on Monday, April 10, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Community Room of the Highlands Crossing Center.

Thirty-seven people were in attendance (including the 9 officers and chair persons).

President Sylvia Hill called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed those in attendance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Hill made the following announcements:

1. Announced the upcoming Help Clinics and Classes:
 - a. Help Clinics
 - i. April 19, 9:00 am – Noon
 - ii. May 3, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 - iii. May 6, 9:00 am – Noon
 - b. Class on using MS Excel will be presented by Joel Ewing in a two part class. First session will be 10:00-12:00 pm on Tuesday, April 25th and the second session will be 10:00-12:00 pm on Thursday, April 27th, 2017 in the Computer Lab.

TREASURER REPORT

Joel Ewing presented the Treasurer's Report and reported a beginning balance of \$19,261.17 with income of \$491.69 and expenses of \$553.72 resulting in an ending balance of \$19,199.14.

PROGRAM

The meeting was a general business meeting regarding the future of the Club. All current club officers and chair persons introduced themselves and gave brief descriptions of their duties for the club. Joel then presented a few slides that showed the changes in membership and funding seen over the past several years to provide a background for the discussion about the future of the club.

Sylvia reported the names of the individuals who have indicated that they would fill officer or chair positions for the upcoming year. She then canvassed those individuals that were in attendance to confirm they are still interested in filling the stated position and all confirmed they are still interested:

- President Joel Ewing (also web administrator)
- VP George Borkowski
- Secretary Kathy Fourt
- Treasure Nancy Delany (**not present**)
- Board Member Marie Herr
- Board Member Marilyn Russell
- Board Member Mary Wynne

- The Chair Persons would be:
 - Publicity Chair Norman Farria
 - Membership Chair Geri Hoerner
 - Program Chair No commitment

- Help Clinic Don Hood, Woody Ogden & Pete Opland
- Bits & Bytes Julie Storm

The meeting then became a general discussion about what the membership wanted and some of the suggestions were:

- Continue the Help Clinics
- Continue Classes
- Market the Club
 - a) offer free classes
- Utilize member expertise
 - a) Collections – show how computer would be helpful in your hobby such as coin, stamp, etc. collections
 - b) Gaming – how to use your computer/tablet/phone/device to play games
 - c) Google Searches – how to maximize results
 - d) Genealogy – current club sub-group present useful info
 - e) CAD – how it might aid you
 - f) Smart Phone – tools and apps
 - g) Go-Pro – video meetings and put on club website
 - h) Email – security and use

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.
Bob Shewmake, Acting Secretary