

Present: Ellen Bourassa, Lee Middleton, Matt Morrow, David Cheslow, Barb Ropars, Ron Lewis, Andrée Fredette

1. **Approval of Agenda:** approved with additions.
2. **Previous Directors' Meeting,** July 23, 2017, minutes approved.
3. **Finances**
 - a. **Rate Classes**

After review with bookkeeper, AF (Treasurer) suggests that dormant accounts (base rate of \$12/month during prolonged absences) will be switched off by techs, and turned back on when Coop member returns and requests service at regular fee.

MOTION: Disable dormant accounts, return to service upon request at regular fee. CARRIED.
 - b. **Overdue Accounts Policy**

Bookkeeper and Treasurer will review accounts monthly; a reminder will be sent when accounts are 30 days overdue, service will be turned off at 60 days overdue.
 - c. **Expenses Policy for Coop**

Existing policy is that all requests for reimbursement of expenses be accompanied by a receipt. Policy will be applied consistently from now on.
4. **Membership Update**

Spreadsheet of Members = Subscriber List

MOTION: Match up financials with membership list, and identify "in kind" members.

TABLED for next Directors' Meeting.

Action: Treasurer will go through membership list and delete names of accounts after one year of non-use. Treasurer will identify "in kind" customers.

Harvey Janszen joins the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

5. **Beacon Wireless**
 - a. Vice-president LM (past president) will circulate to directors a copy of the Cooperation Agreement proposal from Beacon Wireless, as a starting point.
 - b. Before the arrival of Siegfried Luft, president of Beacon Wireless, directors discuss the parameters of an agreement with Beacon, which could cover solely the supply of bandwidth or full participation in Beacon's system. Pros and cons debated.

Sieg Luft and Ryan Dentry join the directors at 11:20 a.m., following a survey of East Point sightlines.

Mr. Luft describes the concept of a regional internet provider serving the Southern Gulf Islands, as well as the solutions he proposes to improve service on Saturna, and transition Coop members into Beacon customers. He answers questions from the directors. He will send a MOU proposal to LM, who will circulate to directors.

6. **Communications, including Website**

Subject TABLED to next directors' meeting, September 7.
7. **Contractor Job Descriptions**

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8. **Correspondence**

Directors received an email from Michael Pierce requesting clarification re. payment of his June invoice. Treasurer responded with clarification.
9. **Adjournment: 12:05 p.m.**
10. **Next Meeting Date: September 7, directors will meet to prepare a response to Beacon MOU.**