

**Call to order at 4:05 p.m.**

Present: Ellen Bourassa, Matt Morrow, David Cheslow, Barb Ropars, Andrée Fredette, Ron Lewis, Lee Middleton. Also in attendance: Harvey Janszen

1. **Approval of Agenda:** approved with additions.

2. **Previous Directors' Meeting Minutes:** August 8, 2017, minutes approved.

**3. Officers' Reports****a. President**

Notes that all directors received the Beacon proposal, which will be the focus of the meeting.

**b. Treasurer**

The bookkeeper has emailed financial reports to all directors. The treasurer and bookkeeper have contacted overdue accounts. Cheques were received, with some exceptions, who will have their service shut down if their payment is not received in the next week.

Signing authority at Coast Capital has been transferred from the previous treasurer to the current treasurer.

**c. Secretary**

The Documents page of [Saturnanet.net](http://Saturnanet.net) has been updated and now includes annual Year End Reports and Directors' meeting minutes, going back several years.

**4. Unfinished Business**

Items tabled at the previous meeting are deferred to the next, to allow time to focus discussion on the Beacon proposal. These include:

- Reclamation of equipment from Tsawwassen
- Ticket system for tracking tech issues
- Re-hiring of Internet engineer, James Clendenon

**5. New Business****a. Beacon Wireless Draft MOU**

After a discussion of the merits of the draft MOU proposed by Beacon Wireless, the directors decided that, prior to committing to working with Beacon, the Co-op should verify the service offered by Beacon. This "proof of concept" phase would consist in a test involving a sample group of SaturnaNet members who would be switched to Beacon Wireless, at the same level of service and same cost. The test would be for a specific period, and cover level of service as well as problem-solving. The selected Co-op members would have to agree to participate, and be willing to provide feedback on their experience.

**MOTION:** "That the directors instruct Harvey Janszen to work with Beacon to connect 10 SaturnaNet members to the Beacon system, providing the same service level, and with SaturnaNet doing the billing at current rates."

Moved by Lee Middleton, seconded by David Cheslow. **CARRIED**

**Action:** David Cheslow agreed to contact potential participants for the test, and do the follow-up.

**MOTION:** “Lee Middleton is to be the primary contact with Beacon Wireless for negotiating that SaturnaNet is interested in doing proof of concept, as described on the previous motion, and to explore other options for the MOU.”

Moved by Ron Lewis, seconded by Matt Morrow. **CARRIED**

**b. Insurance Renewal**

The insurance invoice has not yet been received by the bookkeeper, who mentioned to the treasurer that last year, that invoice was paid in November.

**6. Next Meeting: September 28, 4:30 p.m., Rec Centre Lounge**

**7. Meeting adjourned: 6 p.m.**