Motorola Austin Retirees Club: Executive Board Meeting, October 11, 2017 at the Lamar Senior Center

(Note: All members are welcome to attend: 2nd Tuesday of Jan, Apr, July, Oct., at the Senior Center, 29th & Lamar)

President Mike Coley called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM

In Attendance: Mike Coley, Jim Binneboese, Obie Hasty, Danna Redford, Wayne Harned, Warren Wiemann, Ray Voith, and Jules Campbell.

<u>Secretaries Report</u>: Published in the newsletters and approved at the General Meetings.

Treasurer's Report: We had Income of \$140.34, expenses of \$267.07 from the August General Meeting, resulting in a decrease of \$126.73. Our Scholarship fund now has \$470. Obie described a scam where people call the treasurer requesting a check for a non-existent purchase.

Membership Report: Membership applications and dues should be sent to Obie Hasty (treasurer), who will forward the application to Warren Wiemann (Membership Chair), and copy Ray Voith (Database). The same procedure is used to pay for the spring picnic or Christmas Party, e.g. send the money to Obie, who will then inform Warren.

Membership dues are also payable at the meetings. If you pay by check, the cancelled check is your receipt. If you pay by cash, Warren will issue a paper receipt.

Former "Life Members" now pay \$10 per year, and "Regular Members" now pay \$15 per year. New members will pay \$15 per year, or \$7.50, if joining after July 1, only during their first year.

<u>Old Business:</u> Changing the club name to Motorola Austin Alumni Club would require changing the name with the IRS and the Bank (we just got new checks). We are proposing to change the constitution to allow any Alumni of Motorola or Freescale to join the club, whether or not they "retired" from either company. Danna will publish the proposed constitutional changes in the newsletter. Please encourage former employees that you know to join.

New Business: Officer Elections will be held at the November meeting. The current officers are willing to continue, but we welcome any new volunteers to be added to the ballot.

<u>Christmas Party:</u> Danna will coordinate with Betty Temple and Maggiano's to organize the party, to be held on Tuesday, Dec. 12. **Cost will be \$35 each**, payable at the November General meeting or mailed to Obie Hasty, to cover food, taxes, tips and door prizes. If you plan to attend, please inform Warren Wiemann and/or Danna Redford.

Communications: Ray Voith has updated our website. The current URL is *maacweb.org*, and the old URL, *mflsrc.org*, has a link to the new site. This old URL will be retired shortly. We no longer use Len Suckle's server. Ray Voith has hosted the new website on his server at cost (\$15). Ray will put available presentations from past speakers, officers' contact info, newsletters, meeting minutes, the proposed constitution, and photos on the website. We pay \$27 once per year to GoDaddy for the domain name.

Ray updated the master address list (membership database), and some emails bounced, but some people had alternate emails listed which were tried. Ray is still recommending a closed Facebook (FB) group, but we're not sure if many members will join. The group will be visible to people outside the club, but requires permission to join.

Scholarship Fund: Jim Binneboese and Wayne's wife, Mary Jane, are the current scholarship committee. We need a third member, and a Rubric (rules) to evaluate applicants, which will be limited to high school seniors. Some possible criteria will be ACT/SAT, scholastic averages, awards, extra-curricular activities, sports, chosen school, etc.

In addition to the raffle, we would allow memorial gifts. However, since we are not a 501C3 (non-profit) organization, \$500 would be the maximum reportable gift. The original proposed plan was for a final raffle at the November meeting, and awarding the scholarship(s) at the Christmas party. However, since the awards will be paid to the institution the student will attend, we are considering revising the plan to take applications in the spring, when students know their planned school, and make the awards in August, before the "semester" begins.

Newsletter: Deadline for inputs is Nov. 3rd.

<u>Programs</u>: Jules contacted two professors at UT. One was "too busy", and the other didn't respond. A city council member will speak at our November meeting. Len Hause will speak on Cybersecurity at the February General Meeting.

Please call your friends to remind them of the next meeting: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 10am, North Lamar Senior Center. Our speaker will be Jimmy Flannigan a member of the Austin City Council, district 6?

In lieu of gift cards, we will give \$15 cash prizes for Bingo at the general meetings.

The meeting was adjourned around 11:35am.

Respectfully Submitted by Jules Campbell, Secretary, Motorola Austin Alumni Club

Please inform me of any additions or corrections.