

KWartzLab Society Inc.

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Meeting Minutes

Metadata

- * Type of Meeting: Board of Directors
- * Date: Thursday, May 5, 2011
- * Time: 1930 EST
- * Location: KWartzLab Society Inc.
- * Meeting #61

BOARD MEMBERS

- * Present: Cedric Puddy, Robert Gissing, Ben Brown, Stephanie Smith,
Alex Williams
- * Absent: Paul Walker, Eric Gerlach
- * Quorum: Yes (5/7)

OTHER ATTENDANCE

- * Members: Bevan Lantz, Jonathan Lamothe, Don Leibold

Distribution: To all KWartzLab Society Board Members

These minutes are considered complete and correct. Please advise the Secretary <secretary@kwartzlab.ca> of any errors or omissions. Otherwise, these minutes will be considered an accurate record of the discussions.

Proceedings:

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1. Call to Order

The President, Robert Gissing, acted as chair for the meeting, calling it to order at 2055 EST. The Secretary recorded the minutes. A quorum of directors was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The Secretary presented the Agenda for the meeting, which was approved by general consensus.

3. Report from the President

The President reported that he's been in contact with Martin DeGroot, regarding a meeting of local maker, artist, & DIY groups in the area. The meeting will be held at Globe Studios next Thursday, and Gus will be attending.

The President also commented on the very awesome, arduino-based NotaCon badge, for which a breathalyzer module is available.

The President further commented on how much he is looking forward to the Annual General Meeting.

4. Report from the Treasurer

The Treasurer warned the Board that although we have \$7000 in the bank, we are dangerously close to not breaking even. A membership drive may be in order. Or, perhaps, a cash bar.

5. Old Business

5.1. Heavy Equipment Lab

No update.

5.2. Budget Revision

No update.

5.3. Maker Faire Toronto

It is happening! We have volunteers for the KwartzLab table!

5.4. Health & Safety

No update.

5.5. Trillium Grants

Ben Brown reported to the Board that he has a draft of the application completed, which our liaison review in the next few weeks.

The Board was reminded that the deadline for this application is in July, and that the grant is for \$15,000.

5.6. Business Plan

No update, although the Board is pleased to acknowledge that Alex Williams is an engineer, and has given the gift of light to the work room.

6. New Business

6.1. AGM

The Board discussed possible dates for the upcoming AGM. According to the By-Laws, nominations for the Board Election must be opened at least 4 weeks before the election. If nominations are opened this evening, the AGM could be held on Saturday June 4.

The Board further discussed the idea of combining the AGM with some sort of social event, to lure more members out.

ACTION 61.1 on Stephanie Smith to open Board elections.

6.2. The Hub

Cedric Puddy reported to the Board that he has been in touch with Thom Ryan, of Communittech, regarding the fabrication room at the Hub. Communittech is concerned that this space is under-used, and

they are looking for ways to bring more people in. Cedric is hoping to be able to organize a tour of the space for KwartzLab members, and then explore what partnership opportunities may be available. Thom Ryan is not the actual contact for this, though he will put Cedric in touch with said contact.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2018EST, by the general consensus of the Board. Huzzah.