

# Bowie Seniors Computer Club

## Meeting Minutes for Meeting of March 1, 2018

The following members signed the attendees list: Dan Lee, Bill Long, Bob Rapczynski, Irv Salzberg, Dan Searing, Flo Strawser, Russ Vaughn, George Vincent, Emma Yang, Bob Blum, Carl Bulger, Noel Campbell, Dennis Edgington, Dennis Evans, Dale Grant, Dave Hackenberg, Dick Henthorn, Joseph Holmes, Victor Kiviat.

President Carl Bulger opened the meeting at 12:35 pm with a warning about extremely high winds forecast for the evening.

Dan Lee spoke about his recent trip to China and his observations and experiences with international cell phone and internet use. He provided recommendations for preparing for international travel. He noted that Google, Facebook, Skype, and gmail are behind China's "Great Firewall"

Dan Lee spoke of recent DVD, youtube and other sound problems he had with his Windows 10 laptop which were eventually resolved via an advanced options "Maximum Memory Box" setting change.

Bob Blum responded to a question about a member's problems with Bytefence and McAfee malware application issue.

Dave Hackenberg noted that some applications may not be uninstallable by normal method and that there are special uninstall applications that can be used.

Bob Blum described an experience with a USB keyboard failing to work following a Windows update.

Dave Hackenberg described a hard drive problem with a Bowie Senior Center computer resulting from what he diagnosed as being due to a bad sector.

Vic Kiviat spoke about an forthcoming History of Bowie presentation that is being offered at Bowie Arts Center.

Dave Hackenberg said that the Solitaire application disappeared from his computer

after a Windows update. Bill Long advised that it's no longer installed automatically with Windows but is available free from the Microsoft Store.

Flo Strawser brought to the meeting a failed hard drive from which she hopes to recover the files. Bob Blum will try to recover.

Bill Long noted that his home computers running Windows 10 have a much slower WiFi speed than his tablet and cell phone devices when operating on his home WiFi network.

There was a discussion regarding wireless keyboard and mouse compatibility.

In response to the questions about Windows 10 update issues Bill Long noted that Leo Notenboom of "Ask Leo" recently provided recommendations on things to try to fix Windows update problem. To subscribe to Leo's free newsletter see: <https://newsletter.askleo.com/>

Irv Salzberg a presentation and question and answer session on bitcoins and blockchains with a video.

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