**SLO Bytes Computer Users’ Group**Minutes of the April 30, 2021 Virtual BOD Meeting

**Officers present via Zoom**: Alan Raul, Ralph Sutter, Kaye Raul, John Waller and Earl Kaplan

President **Earl Kaplan** called the meeting to order at 6:46 pm.

Treasurer **Kaye Raul** delivered the Financial Report. There has been no additions or deductions since the April 2021 report. Kaye continues to monitor membership, sending out notices about dues both current and past due.

Training Officer **Alan Raul** reported that he has renewed the club’s annual Zoom membership, obtaining a 20% discount by his timely renewal.

The BOD agreed that the **Second Session Potpourri** format seems to be working. It encourages input from members, many of whom had been previously silent. The format will continue as long as it engages the audience. Alan can contribute content to the Second Session if needed, drawing on the material that he didn’t have time to present last month. His Linux group will meet next Thursday via Zoom.

Secretary **Ralph Sutter**, also the leader of the Photography Group, announced that group would meet on May 16th, one week later than usual, delayed in deference to Mothers’ Day on May 9th.

A lengthy discussion followed concerning the future of in person SLO Bytes meetings. The BOD considered the unsustainable cost of monthly in person meetings. Even with a yearly dues increase from $25 to $50, declining membership and projected higher operating expenses did not bode well for abandoning Zoom. We considered holding occasional face-to-face meeting at a public park or a pizza parlor but no decision was reached. We will raise the issue to the General Membership at Sunday’s meeting of that group.

The Minutes of the BOD meeting of 04/02/2021 were approved as submitted.

The meeting ended at 7:16 pm

**Ralph Sutter**