**SLO Bytes Computer Users’ Group** Minutes of the October 1st  2021 Virtual BOD Meeting

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

Vice President **John Waller** called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

The Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of 09/03/2021 were approved as submitted.

Training Officer **Alan Raul** told the other BOD members that SLO Bytes’ President, **Earl Kaplan**, passed away last week. Secretary **Ralph Sutter** indicated that he included a note on Earl’s passing in the upcoming edition of the club newsletter, HardCopy. Sutter asked for the other BOD members to approve or revise the text. They approved it as written.

The passage read “It is with great sadness that the SLO Bytes Board of Directors announces the passing of Earl Kaplan. Earl was a long-time SLO Bytes member and served as the group’s President beginning in 2013 until his death on Saturday, September 25th 2021”

A discussion followed regarding how to fill the position of **President**. Sutter reminded the BOD that according to the club’s **Bylaws**, Officers could hold more than one position at a time but neither the **Treasurer** nor the **Secretary** could serve simultaneously as **President**.

The BOD agreed that it would take no immediate action to fill the vacancy since elections are coming up soon. We will encourage SLO Bytes members to run for that largely ceremonial office.

Treasurer **Kaye Raul** indicated that our membership in APCUG, SLO Bytes’ parent organization is up for renewal in December.

The meeting ended at 7:00 pm

**Ralph Sutter**