Coordinating Council Meeting November 8, 2000

Present: Ray Talley, Judy Nielsen, Penni Anderson, Ralph Bushey, Joe Felton, Dorothy Forster, Irving Grossman, Ann Pinkham, Evelyn Skipper, Sue Tenney, Dave Zeller.

Laura Scribner attended as staff.

Absent: Catherine Huffman, Jo Henning, Ken Jenkins, Gail Mackey, David Rigler, Thea Rothbucher.

I. A. General Announcements:

Laura Scribner's new staff hours will start this Sunday, November 12. She will work half time for the Senior Computer Center and half time for Louden Nelson. Her hours will be 7:30 to 4:00, Wednesday through Sunday. We will be looking into hiring a Program Assistant, a twenty hour position with benefits. Ted, Betty and Antonina will be able to apply for the new position if they are interested. Their current positions will remain as is.

Catherine Huffman is out of the hospital and at home because of "heart" problems.

Ralph Bushey has been getting quotes on our new computers from Guenther's, Santa Cruz Electronics, User Friendly, Dell and Gateway. Laura will talk to Day and Night. This work should be completed, with the new carpet, installed, during the week before Christmas. We will upgrade 5 PC's in the Lab and 1 for the cart. Plus a new projector. We will look for a used "G3" Mac for the cart. We will also need a new Mac for the office, after Laura moves back into the Front Office and takes her PC with her.

We have already budgeted \$10,000 (including the \$852 for miscellaneous hardware). A motion was made to increase our allocation for computers and hardware, not to exceed \$15,000. This motion was seconded. We will keep the old projector for back-up.

The new "living wage" announced by the City doesn't affect any of our staff. They already earn \$11 per hour. Temporary or part time workers were exempt from the raise to \$11. They are at the bottom of the wage scale. City grant funded, non-profit organizations will have to comply though.

Our Art Exhibit in the Hallway is being shared this month. The Center Street side is from the Ageless Art Project: A group of volunteer artists who teach weekly art classes to residents of care facilities. The City of Santa Cruz Downtown Seniors, Via Pacifica, Arbor Cove, and Garfield Park sponsor our side. There will be a reception for these groups tomorrow at Louden Nelson. Laura will use some of the Martinelli's and paper supplies that we had left over from our Anniversary Celebration.

One suggestion as to why there were so few members at our Anniversary Celebration was because the Telephone Tree got the messages out too early-two weeks before. There were about 75 in attendance.

- II Minutes of October 4 meeting approved with one exception. Jim Bower, "once" with Pacific Bell was changed to "formally" and then to "formerly."
- III. Treasurer's Report read and approved.
 All the receipts haven't been turned in but the amount spent on the Anniversary Party was approximately \$550.

IV. Old Business

A. It was decided to offer our old computers to Non-profit Organizations. Ralph will contact the Compeer Program who are friends to the disabled. They had an office in the Grace Community Church, which burned down. Judy will ask the Walnut Avenue Women's Center, for abused women and children, Laura will ask the Senior Network Services, and also Above the Line, a shelter for homeless Teens. She will also ask New Horizons School. Ray will ask the Volunteer Services. The computers will be available around Christmas.

Ray made a motion that we vote by e-mail to approve the concept of giving the computers to non-profit organizations. We will raffle off all the ones that are left. This motion was seconded.

V. New Business.

- A. Our next Membership Meeting will be on Saturday, January 6. Dennis Weller will be our first choice to do a presentation on eBay. Or Randy DeLucchi may speak on BeVocal. Alan Schlenger may bring in his friend from the UCSC Library to talk about the resources at the library.
- B. Next meeting of the Coordinating Council will be January 10th.

Meeting adjourned.