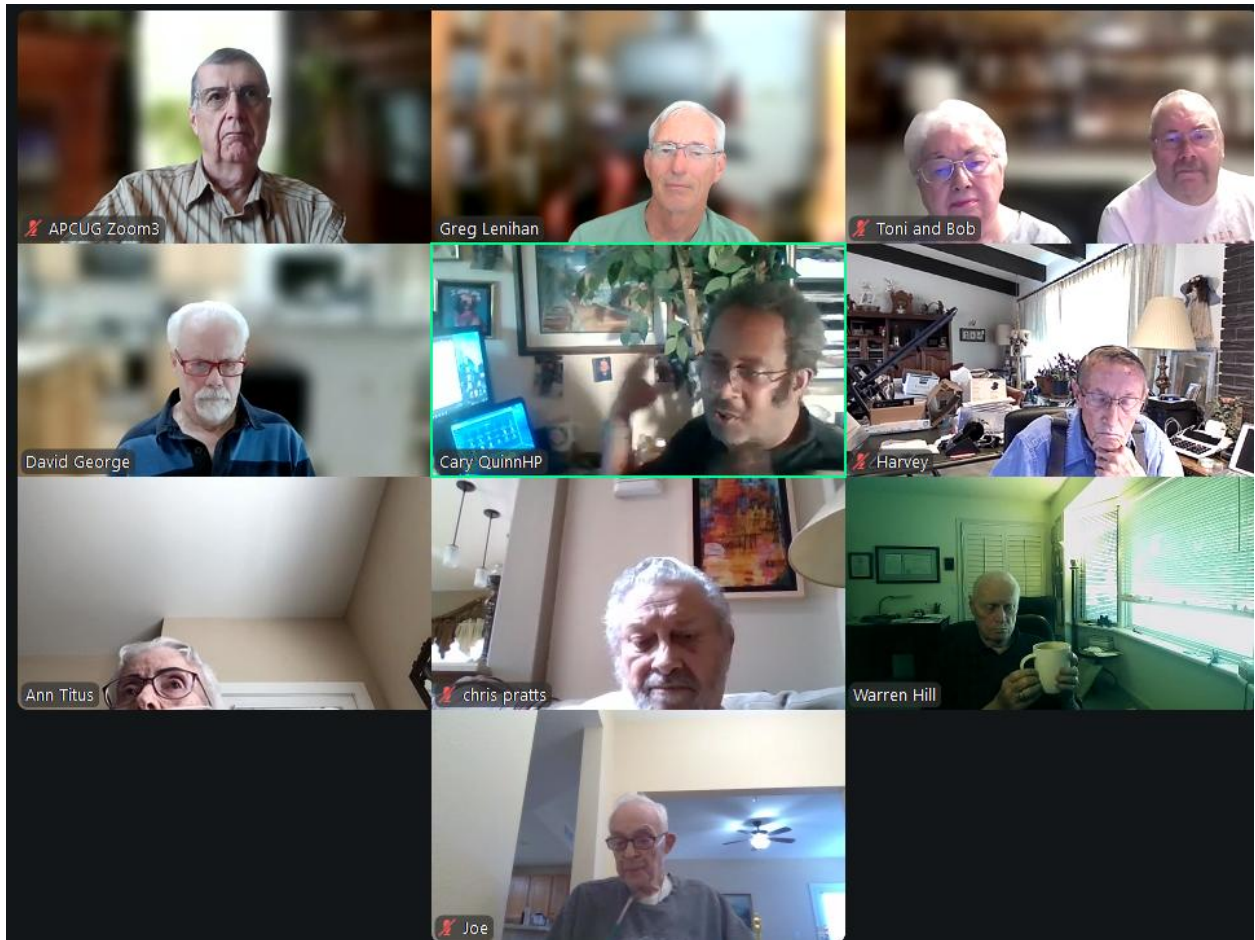


## P\*PCompAS June 2026 Meeting Minutes



The 6 June 2026 membership meeting was started via Zoom by President John Pearce at 9:02 am. The May meeting minutes sent out last month by Greg Lenihan and John Pearce were approved.

### OFFICER REPORTS

VP Cary Quinn said he was winging a presentation this month. He will use topics brought up in the meeting today to decide on some YouTube videos to show.

Treasurer Toni Logan is still waiting for a bill from Paul Godfrey for the Volunteers Luncheon. We have \$1463.60 for a total balance. Known future commitments are \$10 to the state and \$50 for APCUG membership.

Secretary Greg Lenihan sent out the meeting minutes from last month and asked if we want the minutes posted on Discord and our website (in addition to being sent out). No one seemed to oppose the posting of minutes. Cary Quinn thought Discord would be good for the minutes because it is considered more private. John Pearce thought putting minutes on the website is fine.

Discord Server co-Admin Greg Lenihan said the server is running fine with a lot of material being posted daily.

(Former) Newsletter Editor Greg Lenihan said with the death of his Windows 10 computer, he will stop creating a monthly newsletter. The club is small and it was very seldom that a member submitted an article. Interesting online material can be posted on the Discord with a link.

Webmaster Greg Lenihan said he has only updated the dates of breakfast and next meeting on our web page. He wasn't sure how the club felt about the lack of a newsletter and whether someone wanted to take over that task.

Membership Chair Ann Titus had nothing to report.  
Librarian Paul Godfrey was not present.  
APCUG Rep John Pearce had nothing to report.  
BOD Chair Bob Logan had nothing to report.

## OLD BUSINESS

John Pearce is still working to get new certificates on the club PC. He removed Acronis True Image, which was causing a conflict with UEFI, and added EaseUS ToDo Backup. He plans to use AI to help with an anti-virus issue he reported around two months ago.

## NEW BUSINESS

John Pearce said our next meeting would fall on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July (first Saturday) and asked whether we wanted to cancel the meeting, postpone the meeting, or hold it as scheduled. The vote was to meet the following week (11 July).

In the meeting minutes from January 2026, it was said we would hold off on disposing any club items being stored until at least June. The decision was made to continue holding the items.

John Pearce asked whether the club wanted to continue with a newsletter. Greg Lenihan was not interested in continuing as editor, but said there were some programs that could work in place of the expensive InDesign application. If someone wanted to take it over, they could do it in Word and create a PDF. Another option was to create an HTML newsletter. There is a link on our website for accessing the APCUG website where other club newsletter can be read.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next social breakfast meeting will be on Saturday, 20 June, at the Golden Corral, starting at 8:00 am.

Our next membership meeting is on Saturday, 11 July 2026 (second Saturday).

Joe Nuvolini had a film strip scanner that several have used, and John Pearce currently is using it. The scanner will stay in the club, so if any members wish to use it, give John Pearce a call.

## AROUND THE ROOM

Harvey McMinn said his sister scanned 4000 slides into a genealogy program (My Heritage) and put them on an external 1 TB hard drive attached to a Windows 10 computer. When trying to access these files on a Windows 11 machine, they could not be accessed. Harvey bought a program to try and recover these files because he could not view anything on the hard drive. Even going back to a Windows 10 machine, the drive could not be accessed. Harvey also has an HP 8600 printer that he likes, but after buying a cartridge (he says it was genuine HP), it would not recognize it. He had to go down to Staples and get another cartridge, and then it worked.

Chris Pratts is looking for a good, free PDF editor. He has a PDF document with typos he would like to correct before sending the document to other family members. The document was created by scanning pages at the library. Greg Lenihan says he uses PDFgear (at pdfgear.com) and it does optical character recognition, so the PDF can be converted to readable text. If you have a reasonably newer version of Microsoft Word, it will convert PDF to Word (if the text can be read). Then the document can be reconverted to a PDF. But the text should be correctable with PDFgear once it goes through OCR.

Greg Lenihan bought a Windows 11 computer through Amazon Renewed to replace his broken Windows 10 computer. This equipment is refurbished and inspected by a third party. He found a Dell Optiplex with Windows 11 Pro, 32 GB RAM, and a 1 TB SSD, for less than \$400.

Toni Logan says she will probably look into getting a new computer. Her current all-in-one PC is turning itself off. When turning it back on, there is a message that she needs a recovery key. John Pearce believes this is a Bitlocker message. One place you can find this Bitlocker key is in your Microsoft account. You can copy it for the next time you need it. (You can also turn off Bitlocker.) Toni also found out that her breaker panel for the house is out of code and needs to be upgraded for a few thousand dollars.

Warren Hill is scanning all his slides and will be starting on slides from 1961 next. Warren said Google has a feature that will tell you where a picture was taken (for example, it told him a picture was taken in a market in Cairo, Egypt). John Pearce said he may have to do this with pictures he took in Italy. He did not have the geo-location feature turned on with his phone for many pictures, so may have to ask Google.

John Pearce was trying to fix an auto-update problem with Windows Defender. He was getting tired of updating the signatures manually. He gave his error messages to Perplexity AI and it came up with more suggestions to try. Somewhere along the line, he got a virus on his PC (TROJAN:WIN32/MpTamperSrvDisableAV/.L). The Trojan changes some files that Microsoft uses to update its antivirus signatures so it disables Defender. He had to disable ransomware protection to make it work, then do a repair install.

Cary Quinn installed Zorin Linux on one of his laptops. It was an 8 GB file that would run and then stall. He decided to switch to a different OS (Commodore OS Vision). He cannot install Zoom with this version however.

## PRESENTATION

Cary Quinn played two short older videos that explained how to dispose of items at the El Paso County Household Waste Facility. This was followed by a Brett in Tech video on how to use PDFgear (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Lt1xj3tR2I>). Lastly, he played a Leo Notenboom video titled "You Can't Un-Ring a Bell: What Really Happens to Your Data When You Post Anything Online" (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8dY9iigAw4w>).