

Wisconsin Association of Repeaters, Inc – Membership Meeting – March, 2018

Date: March 17, 2018
Location: Ham Radio Outlet, 5710 Good Hope Rd, Milwaukee, WI
Re: Meeting Minutes, March 2018 Membership Meeting
Attendance: Board: Dean KB7QDI, Chris KC9NVV
Committees/Advisers: Corey KB9BNA
Membership: Gregg W9DHI, Loren N9ENR, Jim N9QLP, Tom KC9ONY, Tony K9UDS, Emil N9FBF, Len N9QIP, Sean KD9FGF, Kevin N9OIG, Richard W9RIC, Judy WL9K, Nels WA9JOB, Tony KT9AC, Steve N9FSE, John N9UPC, Jess N9BIS, Tom N9BBG, Peter W9IXN, Bill NQ2XP, Mike WD9GFY, Dave W0AH, Mike N9O EZ, Tony KC9SZW, Dave WB9BWP, Robert W9FCG, Rick W9RIX, Josh KC9WWH, Dave KA9WXN, Bill WQ9A, Tom KA9KJE

Call to Order: 10:00 CDT

Introductions: 10:00 CDT

- Attendees around the room introduced themselves

Secretary's Report: 10:03 CDT

- Last General Membership meeting was August 26th, 2017 in Wausau, WI. The meeting minutes are posted on the web site.
- The Board of Directors meetings since August 26th were held on:
 - September 5th, 7th, and 19th
 - October 9th, 18th, and 26th
 - November 9th, and 29th
 - December 6th, 20th, and 27th
 - January 3rd, 7th, 10th, and 29th
 - February 7th
 - March 7th
- Chairman Chris W9JOL resigned June 30th, 2017
- Secretary Greg N9CHA resigned January 31st, 2018
- Updates to the website have been made as items of interest have developed

Treasurer's Report: 10:05 CDT

Checking balance \$4203.53 expenses since last annual meeting \$778.04 income \$445.00 so net loss of 333.04.

Coordination Secretary's Report: 10:06 CDT

- Corey, KB9BNA gave a presentation on the Coordination Secretary role created by the board in September, 2017.
- Seven steps towards coordination
 - Receive request forms via USPS or email
 - Coordination Secretary stages request to CTK database
 - Frequency Coordinator proposes coordination
 - Frequency Coordinator sends NOPC (Notice of Proposed Coordination) to adjacent states

- Frequency Coordinator/Secretary waits for NOPC waiting period then generates letter of coordination
- Station owner is given 6 months to place station on-air as coordinated
- Owner updates Coordination Secretary when station is operating on-air as coordinated

Chairman's Report: 10:45 CDT

- New by-laws become effective today
 - Elections to at least 4 members this year - preferably all seven
 - Decision on dues amount per year
 - Discussion of proposed \$10 annual membership dues and who would be responsible for submitting dues
 - Motion by Gregg, W9DHI to institute \$10 annual dues per member; seconded by Nels, WA9JOB; motion carried
- Longer term goals should be discussed this coming year
 - Regional coordinators
 - Updated band plan
 - Bring in new members of the Coordinator Secretary Committee
 - Ongoing education on how WAR works

Old Business: 11:15 CDT

- None

New Business: 11:15 CDT

- Loren, N9ENR requested clarification on WAR's coordination of packet radio and D-Star data
- Mike, N9OEZ introduced discussion on WAR's stance and publication of SNP (Shared Non-protected frequencies)
 - Perhaps WAR should re-publish a band plan document
 - Discussion about proper frequency planning for hotspots
- John, N9UPC presented talking points of an open letter presented to the WAR board
 - Address the frequency coordination process
 - Address a concern around paper repeaters
 - Clarify the purpose of dues and explanation of recent expenditures
 - Purpose of WAR
- Dave, KA9WXN offered some background and history of WAR and his thoughts on how to improve efficiency of the organization

Elections for Members of the Board: 11:45 CDT

- Dean, KB7QDI motioned to be considered; seconded by Rick, W9RIX; motion passed by vote
- Chris, KC9NVV motioned to be considered; seconded by Dean, KB7QDI; motion passed by vote
- Rick, W9RIX motioned to be considered; seconded by Gregg, W9DHI; motion passed by vote
- Bill, WQ9A motioned to be considered; seconded by Rick, W9RIX; motion passed by vote
- Tony, KT9AC motioned to be considered; seconded by Mike, N9IOG; motion passed by vote
- Mike, N9OEZ motioned to be considered; seconded by Sean, KD9FGF; motion passed by vote
- Josh, KC9WWH motioned to be considered; seconded by Chris, KC9NVV; motion passed by vote

Adjournment: ~11:50 CDT

- Motion by Jim, K9QLP to adjourn; seconded by Tony, KC9SZW

Gathering of newly elected board members: ~11:55 CDT

- The following leadership positions were voted on by the board members:
 - Dean KB7QDI as President
 - Rick W9RIX as Vice-President
 - Josh KC9WWH as Secretary
 - Chris KC9NVV as Treasurer

Respectively submitted,
WAR Special Technical Advisor – Corey, KB9BNA
Modified by Dean, KB7QDI