

# WWARA Meeting

3/14/09 10:12 AM

Meeting called to order at 10:05 by chairman.

Introductions were made.

Chair Comments

Discussion about polling

- Members do not know when a board poll has started
- Steve: imperative for the band chairman to notify members remainder that there are polls
- Roger: we used to have the publication called the "coordinator" where the correspondence log was published.

Treasurer Report – Roger

- Frank motion to accept treasure/ steve 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passes.

Minutes read

- Correction: Frank correct call sign
- Mike Ping: correct name
- Motion by Frank NM7R and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve WA7DAD to accept
- All approve
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Band chair reports:

- 10m : nothing to report
- 6m : one poll out, one repeater in the pipeline
- 2M : Mike W7CDC testing D-star system in Bellingham, co-channel with Jon Marcinko.
  - AK2O looking at 147.32
  - Situation N7NFY and WC7I conflict later discussion
- 220 band
  - One current poll
  - K7DKK Eatonville is testing
  - Correspondence with N7XAC re: 224 repeater on KO Peak
    - Report by Frank that this repeater is working
- Links – Jon not here secretary reports little activity
- UHF

- Polls are open
- Steve found 13 applications that were polled and approved but never completed by the secretary.
- Steve reports a period where the paperwork and the database were out of sync. Steve has been working off of paperwork. Database is up to speed so we can move on with polls.
- Proof of Concept for D-STAR putting stations on splinter channels. Requestors are aware that the approach can not be coordinated now, but Steve is looking for feedback from the public about D-STAR systems in between analog systems. Steve hopes to bring a band plan recommendation to the group in June to allocate 12.5khz splinter channels strictly for narrow-band d-star etc.
- 900 – 1200
  - No 23cm activity.
  - 900mhz – 3 are out for polls, trying to catch up with last one

#### Webmaster Report

- Jim – discussion about contact list. Some are listed as @wwara.org email addresses, some are listed as individual addresses. Discussion about personal e-mail addresses, do they want to switch to wwara.org addresses?
- Mark LMR previous intent was to switch everybody over to wwara.org addresses.
- Daniel: proposes Director 1, Director 2, Director 3
- Jim: reports there are some aliases for use of the officers.
- Jim: send updates to webmaster and he will coordinate with Tim to update the aliases
- Jim: reports that web site is known to be up to date, contact Jim with any issues.
- Steve WA7DAD – suggests a login link on the main web site so members will know where to go log in.

#### Database report

- No major issues

Discussion about web site, database, coming up with some sort of user access to view "my account" type information. We need to make a distinction between "members" and "clients".

NFCC Report : John AA7UJ is not here.

5 minute break

Return from break

## OLD BUSINESS

Scott: Financial review is overdue. Scott sent out 2 requests. We need to find a Member at Large. MaL selected in December has gone to Arizona for the winter so unable to attend. Member at Large N7QLN agreed to chair financial committee. Committee will convene

## Policy review and Update

- Daniel presents updated bylaws that were presented to the members some time ago. Asks for discussion
- Frank: question on Term Limits for Board of Directors.
- 11:15 – Discussion about term limits were put in place originally to dispel the idea of the "good old boys" network. Discussion about the difficulty of finding person for board position.
- Frank NM7R – would prefer representation locally in his region instead of having to find somebody from another region just because a person's term limits are up.
- Motion made by Frank NM7R to add the language "or not eligible candidate available" and seconded by Bill KL7BB
  - All approve
- Motion by Bill KL7BB / 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Hatch to accept Bylaw changes as written with one amendment.
  - All approve

## June meeting date and location discussion

- Carter secures the fire dept room and has secured the room for date in June.

- WWARA has scheduled room for June 6 which conflicts with Seapac convention. WWARA was asked by Oregon to come staff a booth at Seapac
- Discussion about picking a different date + a different room since Mercer Island is not available on those other Saturdays
  - Scott has a meeting room in Snohomish available
  - Dates – week before is Memorial Day
  - Discussion, we like June 13 and should check for a venue. Inquire about Bellevue library? Bellevue City Hall? Scott will investigate and will publish a Venue by June.

Scott – need to schedule a working session with the Band Chairs.

- Saturdays are busy, do Sundays work for us? Sundays seem OK.
- Review process with Tim and Secretary and document the process
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Roger – for those that Paid Dues today that were not previously members

- Roger will contact members with login/passwords for database

Discussion from K7HW – if WWARA is a corporation, corporate board may not vote over the internet decision by the WA Secretary of State. We need to look into this and research

Scott – unclear on the Bylaws regarding staff positions, conflicting language whether Chari or Board appoints the committee members. Scott proposes that the board . Daniel motions, Frank seconds that the board accept the appointments as listed on the contact sheet.

NEW BUSINESS 11:34

WC7I group and Mike Hill N7NFY Discussion about 146.8 repeater.

- Eric W2ZT representing Larry who is blind and could not attend.
- Repeaters are 53.15 miles apart and are overlapping.

12:09

Motion to adjourn by Mark LMR seconded by Daniel KL7WM 12:11

More discussion about 146.8

Meeting closed at 12:12