

W.W.A.R.A. – General Meeting Agenda March 28, 2015

Frank Wolf – NM7R	Kenny Richards – KU7M	Stan Nelson – K7DKK
Lorraine Nelson – K7LJN	Mark Yordy – W7BBO	Rob Lee – K7TGU
Al Burleson – K7HW	Jim Etzwiler – KD7BAT	Dean Gibson – AE7Q
Scott Honaker – N7SS	Lynn Neece – WR7G	Rich Salter – KF7BJI
Doyle Wenzel – N7UJK	Mike Chaplin – NC7Q	

Absences

Mike Ping – N3KPU, Peter Dahl – WA7FUS (excused)

In accordance with Article IX, Section 3a of the bylaws, a quorum was present. The meeting was called to order at 10:01am at the Tukwila Fire Station #51. Introductions were made and by a motion the minutes of the December 6, 2014 general meeting was approved, as posted on the website.

Officer's Reports

Treasurer Report: currently \$17,498.43 in funds available. Full details available upon request. Open request for Peter about the ARRL donation, since not present on the Treasurer Report. *(EDITOR NOTE: Peter confirmed the donation was made and he forgot to add it to the Expenses section of the report)*

Secretary Report: All pending TDS have been entered into the system as of two days before the meeting. Noted that he had received a rather large pile of new TDS at the meeting, which will be processed in next couple weeks. The last printing run for Certificate of Coordination was completed mid-March, will do the next one in April.

Adjacent Areas: BCACC reported a signal on 146.86, which they are trying to identify.

Committee Reports

6/10 Meters – Frank Wolfe, NM7R

- Shoreline repeater moved to new frequency. (Due to interference)

2 Meters – Peter Dahl, WA7FUS

- Five active applications in the pipeline.
- One is currently in member comment review, scheduled to complete on April 9th.
- Two are pending or testing phase, the remaining two are proposed state.

220 – Peter Dahl, WA7FUS

- One application in proposed state, awaiting equipment repairs/upgrade.

440/430 Repeaters & Links – 440 Band Committee

- 23 current applications in the system.
- Five are link systems, which are awaiting mountain access before testing can begin.
- The remaining 18 applications are for new repeaters. There are seven currently in the testing phase, one is pending a co-channel agreement, eight are just proposed systems and two are up for member review or board vote.

900 / 1.2Ghz – Scott Honaker, N7SS

- Two proposed 900 applications
- Three pending 1.2Ghz repeaters, with one proposed system.

Database Enhancement Committee – Kenny Richards, KU7M

- Reviewed new automated system for generating list of coordinated system on nightly basis. Expected released to website in next 30 days.

Old Business:

Update on new TDS form – N7SS

- Pending re-generation of form. Original form generated with very old version of MSWord and couldn't remove certain embedded formatting.

Vote on ByLaws Changes (move membership duties to Treasurer) – NM7R

- Proposed at Dec 2014 meeting, posted to member list with description of changes and recommendation from board of directors.
- Motion was made to accept as proposed (NC7Q), seconded by K7DKK. Motioned passed by unanimous vote.

New Business

Question if WWARA will have booth at Seaside? (KU7M)

- Need volunteer
- Where is cloth sign?
- Decided interest isn't high enough to need a booth.

Status Update on restarting the Technical Committee status? (NM7R)

- Next step is finding committee chair, which can recruit people across the state.
- NC7Q will kick start the process, sending out e-mail to the group.
- Common thread of discussion about having class/seminar on common repeater activates.
- Requested we add links to repeater-builder website and yahoo groups to website

Cascadia Rising – Earthquake excise in PNW (NC7Q)

- Event scheduled for 2016, but preparations for event will begin late 2015.
- A 9.0 earthquake will likely take Camp Murry offline. So regional communication will be needed. Suggested adding emergency power to repeaters if possible and make earthquake proof.

Validation of 70cm Repeater Project (N7SS)

- Overview of issue, want to validate database has correct data
- 2m tests in the past proved not issue
- 70cm now more an issue and doing it manually is a very time consuming process
- Automated system designed by AE7Q and executed from Snohomish DEM site as trial run. System checked if frequency busy, then sent a short pre-recorded message and recorded signal strength for each coordinated pair in database.

Next Meeting: June 13, 2015 / Tukwila Fire Station #51 / Time: 10am – 12pm

Adjourn Meeting: 11:26