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WWARA WESTERN WASHINGTON AMATEUR RELAY ASSOCIATION

General Meeting Minutes – February 22, 2025

Absences: KC7CKO

In accordance with Article IX, Section 3a of the bylaws, a quorum was present. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 PST virtually on the Zoom teleconference by Chair Scott Honaker, N7SS. The minutes for the December 2024 meeting approved as posted.

Officer's Reports

- Chair Report (Scott, N7SS)
 - Asked if interest in supporting booth at SeaPac
 - o Reported on Narrowband FAQ available on site
 - o Reported on HamRadioNow YouTube interview from previous weekend
- Treasurer Report (Doug, KD7DK)
 - o Only normal expected expenses in last three months (POBox, Web, etc),
 - ♦ KD7SDD moved to accept, KU7M second approval of the report
 - Current total assets of \$14,027
- Secretary Report (Kenny, KU7M)
 - There were 21 TDS's submitted (renewals and new applications) since December meeting, all have been processed.
 - Semi-automated renewal notices going out monthly are driving larger than normal TDS submissions
 - There were 14 Certificate of Coordination's sent out on Feb 22 for all the renewals/new coordinations in the last three months.
- Adjacent Areas:
 - o EWA No updates
 - BC No updates
 - OR No updates

Committee Reports

- ➤ 6M/10M (KU7M) no active applications
- 2 Meters (NR3O) 6 pending and 6 proposed
- ➤ 220 Band (WA7FUS) 1 in testing
- ➤ 440 Band (NR3O) 8 pending and 1 proposed
- ➤ 900/1.2Ghz (N7SS) 1 proposed 23cm system, updated needed
- Database Enhancement Committee Kenny Richards, KU7M
 - o Database now running in docker container, ready to start port of website
 - o Received update to Chirp converter, will update once tested
 - o Added Narrowband FAQ and 2m Narrowband Visualization to website
- Narrow-band Sub-Committee N7SS, KU7M, N9VW
 - o Presented to Radio Club of Tacoma on Jan 11 (N7SS)



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- Presented to Mike&Key on Jan 18, video is available on website (KU7M)
- Interviewed on HamRadioNow YouTube show Feb 15 (N7SS, KU7M)
- Presenting to PSRG on March 15 (KU7M)
- Common questions added to Narrowband FAQ
 - User education repeated concern
- Three 2m narrowband FM applications pending currently

Old Business:

- Narrowband Update
- o WA7JH requested Certificates of Coordination include 'narrowband' or bandwidth

New Business:

- Earl-N3EG raised question about systems which border another coordinating group (ie. ORCC) and if consideration given with narrow banding requirement. Concerned with 'interference' with ORCC systems that are not moving to narrowband
 - Pointed out that when existing system 'narrowbands', it will be shrinking in place. If not causing interference currently, shouldn't be issue after converting to narrowband.
 - If situation does exist, will consider on case-by-case basis.
- Duaine-AE7KJ asked if repeater used by 'Region4' and shared between WA and OR could stay wide, so 'Oregon can use it'. Directed to follow up with N7SS and discuss offline.

Next Meeting:

May 10, 2025

Adjourn Meeting:

- KU7M made motion to adjourn, seconded by KD7DK.
 - o Approved by majority voice vote without discussion.
- > The chair adjourned this meeting at 10:30 PST.



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Members / Attendees

Kenny – KU7M	Scott – N7SS	Jamie-WA7JH	Doug – KD7DK
FredV - ?	George – K7YHB	Chuck – WA7EBH	Bob – K6MBY
Carl – N7KUW	Dana – KC7SDD	Duaine – AE7KJ	Earl – N3EG
Eugene – AF7JM	Jon – K7RMZ	Marty – WB7AFV	Peter – WA7FUS
Scott – N7LOL	Stephen – KJ7YL	Steve – KI7ICL	Steve – N9VW
Brian - W7FDD	Wayne - WA6MPG	Walter – KN7P	