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BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by SEMARA President, Marcel L. Dumont, W1MLD. Following the salute to the flag, roll call commenced with twenty-three (23) members and two (2) guests present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

SEMARA Secretary, Richard J. Cabral, W1RJG was absent.

TREASURER'S REPORT

SEMARA Treasurer, Michael J. McDonald, KB1NB was absent. Marcel L. Dumont, W1MLD reported total assets last month of \$87,715. Total inflows and outflows were not available. As of last month, the NETCOM balance owed to SEMARA was \$24,040.

STANDING COMMITTEES

- **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

Chairman Martin F. Jordan, KA1YFV reported that he and Raymond A. Arruda, KB1EVX had cut the grass for the last time this year. Marty reported that next season, he would not be able to continue with grass cutting due to health concerns. Looking for volunteers.

- **SCHOLARSHIP**

Marcel L. Dumont, W1MLD read the terms of the ARRL scholarship fund to the members. The annual minimum donation the club would have to make was \$1000.00 per year, which exceed the club's yearly contribution. The Scholarship Committee will explore other options.

- **TECHNICAL**

Marcel L. Dumont, W1MLD reported that the 220 MHz antenna transmission line was checked, and no problems were found. The Polyphaser (lightning protector) was replaced and Alan from NETCOM will provide a meter to verify the antenna is working properly with the new Polyphaser. The problem does not look like it is related to the antenna.



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SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- **ARES, RACES, SKYWARN**

Joseph E. Krisnosky, Jr., N1IXC reported that the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency is looking into potential training for members.

- **RADIO EVENTS**

Robert B. Kelley, K1KVV reported that the following contests are taking place this month:

- ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB (Nov. 17-19, 2018)
- WAE [Work All Europe] DX Contest, RTTY (Nov. 10-11, 2018)
- EANET Sprint (Nov. 4, 2018)
- IPARC [International Police Amateur Radio Club] Contest, CW (Nov. 4, 2018)

- **REPEATER**

The repeater problem is still being investigated. An update will be provided at the next business meeting.

- **WEB**

Robert B. Kelley, K1KVV reported all is well with the website.

COMMUNICATIONS

Nothing to report.

RATIFICATIONS OF NEW MEMBERS

No applications were received or voted on.



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OLD BUSINESS

Marcel L. Dumont, W1MLD spoke with the club attorney regarding the tower lease and the proposal that was submitted by NETCOM. Marcel indicated that the current proposal would not be accepted and that he would continue to explore alternative solutions. Marcel also reported that the cement had been poured for the new tower base and the lower section had been secured for alignment purposes.

Donald A. Rosinha, II, WA1BXY announced that the assembly of the new antenna is ongoing as there was a problem with the phasing tubes. He has contacted the manufacturer and they are sending replacements phasing tubes and hardware.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

Raymond A. Arruda, KB1EVX thanked everyone for their participation in the flea market.

NOMINATIONS / ELECTIONS

Nominations were opened for the 2019 election. Results were as follows with a motion made, seconded and passed to close nominations until the December business meeting.

President:	-open-	
Vice President:	Jean P. (JP) Chiron	AG1Y
Secretary:	-open-	
Treasurer:	Michael J. McDonald	KB1NB
BOD (3):	Bradford E. Paiva Donald A. Rosinha, II Donald T. Manley Martin F. Jordan	W1BEP WA1BXY N1PMB KA1YFV
Trustee (1):	Martin F. Jordan	KA1YFV



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ADJURNMENT

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:00 PM.

Note: SEMARA Secretary, Richard J. Cabral, W1RJC was absent. The meeting was recorded with Marcel L. Dumont, W1MLD's audio recorder and transcribed as presented by JP.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean P. (JP) Chiron, AG1Y
SEMARA Vice-President
In Absence of Secretary



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BUSINESS MEETING ROSTER

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- Twenty-Three (23) Members Present:

CALL SIGN	NAME	POSITION
W1MLD	Marcel L. Dumont	President
AG1Y	Jean P. Chiron	Vice President
KA1YFV	Martin F. Jordan	Board of Directors
N1XC	Joseph E. Krisnosky, Jr.	Board of Directors
W1BEP	Bradford E. Paiva	Board of Directors
K1AHA	Richard J. Halliwell	
K1KVV	Robert B. Kelley	
K1MLD	Michael L. Dumont	
KA1RSY	Edward A. Caron	
KB1EVX	Raymond A. Arruda	
KC1BGF	Joseph A. Tavares	
KC1BYI	Jonathan B. Copelano	
KD1YZ	David A. DeCosta	
KE1CN	Scott R. Smith	
N1NJI	John W. O'Brien, III	
N1PMB	Donald T. Manley	
N1TF	Frederic S. Bacon, III	
W1BUG	Armand F. Augustine	
W1MMD	Marc M. Dumont	
W1KZA	Roland Aubin	
W1VRP	Joseph P. Frois	
WA1BXY	Donald A. Rosinha, II	
WA1CCM	Wayne C. Kingsley	

- Two (2) Guests Present:

AC1EO	Christopher J. Bosse, Jr.
KC1KDC	Jeffrey M. Richard, Sr.