

# **SEMARA**

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# Business Meeting Minutes 07/11/2019

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. by the President, Marcel Dumont W1MLD, with salute to the flag. A moment of silence was observed for David Constantine, a SEMARA member who has gone SK. The roll was called with sixteen present.

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Due to secretary NY1US not being able to attend, minutes from the previous meeting were not reviewed.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

SEMARA Treasurer Michael J. McDonald, KB1NB, reported total income of \$4,096, expenses of \$3,516 and a total final club account balance of \$115,480. Netcom is paid up to date.

# **STANDING COMMITTEES**

# **Buildings and Grounds**

Chairman Martin F. Jordan, KA1YFV had nothing to report.

# **Technical**

Nothing noted.

# **Scholarship**

Marcel, W1MLD re-iterated that he had spoken to the principal at New Bedford Voke regarding next year's scholarship money. We will contact him directly next year to ensure the notice is received.

# **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

# **ARES, RACES, SKYWARN**

A Skywarn net was held with 6-7 check-ins. Everything appeared to be running smoothly.

#### **Activities**

Nothing noted.



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# **Radio Events**

Bob, K1KVV stated that members should visit the ARRL website to view upcoming radio events and encourages them to do so.

#### Renovations

Nothing noted

# Repeater

The 220 repeater has received a new polyphaser and tri-plexer. The equipment has been installed to the rack mount system. At this time, W1MLD is attempting to get the codes to be able to switch the system on/off remotely.

#### Website

Nothing noted

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

Nothing noted

# **RATIFICATION OF NEW MEMBERS**

The following membership applications had stood for the required thirty day period and were presented for a ratification vote. All three were voted on in the affirmative and welcomed to SEMARA as new members.

- Jack Foley, N1QE
- Richard Scott Johnson, KD4EBL
- Joseph Amorelli, K1JMA

The following four applications were accepted and will await a thirty day period before being held to vote for ratification:

- Michael T Torchio, N1TOR
- Brian C Churchill, N1BBT
- Thomas H Gewecke, W7THG
- David P Hayes, KC1LOY



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#### **PRESIDENTS COMMENTS**

None noted

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Some changes to the NETCOM contract have been proposed by NETCOM. These include but are not limited to a provision requiring the lessee to plow snow and make alterations to the clubs antennas as part of the contract. The club will need to address these changes through our attorney. It is proposed that no further extensions of the previous contract be granted.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

K1WCC from the FARA club and member of SEMARA was a brief guest speaker. He requested that SEMARA allows use of the club 2m repeater on September 14<sup>th</sup> from 0700-1500hrs to be used during a charity bike ride through Westport and Tiverton. The proposal was unanimously accepted.

Another request to fill positions on committees was made.

## FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB

Bob, K1KVV suggested that assistants or back-up members be assigned for positions or responsibilities that are essential in case of illness or death preventing the primary from performing his/her duties. He also suggested that the club begin holding events that will get people involved in radio activities and not just the social times on Sunday mornings.

# NOMINATIONS AND VOTING

Nothing noted

#### **ADJOURN**

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn at approximately 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey M Richard Sr.

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Secretary, SEMARA