



SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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Meeting Minutes February 4, 2010

In the absence of the President and Vice-President the meeting was called to order by the Secretary Marcel (W1MLD) at 7:05 P.M. with the salute to the Flag. Roll was called with 21 members present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The secretary's report was read in its entirety and a motion was made and seconded to accept the report as read. The members voted unanimously to accept.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer Mike (KB1NB) reported that the treasury has \$13,454.54 including all accounts. This includes \$719. not yet used by the Attorney, and \$4,520. Netcom check, and \$25,000. Still owed to Frank Corp. for the oil spill. The Judge still has not rendered a decision on the law suit. A motion was made and seconded to turn over to the Audit Committee. Voted unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE'S

Scholarship Committee

Sonny (K1USW) reported that the letters have gone out announcing the Scholarship.

Technical Committee

Dave (W1DJG) reported that there is a problem with the antenna's on the 85' tower. Looks like a problem with the rotor and the cables being shorted. Do not use any radio equipment until further notice. We are having a problem with Echolink and a problem with the telephone line may need Verizon to check outside line.

Skywarn

Chris (W1EAV) reporting for Rob. RACES will be talking about the repeater usage on Saturday.

Repeater

John (WA1LSH) reported that the Camel Net will only be doing two evenings a week due to lack of participation.

The two days will be Monday and Wednesday. Please try to participate.

Website

Ben (N1WBV) Reported that he is backing up the old Website to the new Website. Going over to the content management system which would allow members to submit stories etc. to the Website.

OLD BUSINESS

Question on the 900 Mhz repeater as to the new controller and when will it be on the air? We are waiting to sell the old controller and 400 Mhz repeater in order to fund the new one. Other repeaters will be tied into this repeater. Old one is listed on E-bay

NEW BUSINESS

After some discussion a motion was made to appropriate \$300.00 for the controller. If more is needed the Tech Committee will come back for additional amounts. Chris spoke to Rick (W1RJC) and he said it would cost no more that \$450.00. Motion was made to amend the original motion of \$300.00 to \$450.00, motion seconded members voted with 2 members opposed. Now to vote on the amended motion of \$450.00. Members voted with one opposed.

GOOD OF THE CLUB

Ben (N1WBV) mentioned about the upcoming field day. Eric (N1WCO) and Chris (W1EAV) said they would participate.

Charlie (WA1JFD) suggested having a Tech Talk about Linux and he will host it.

Sonny Mello is in the hospital and is not doing well. Send cards if you can.

John (W1HIQ) update, he is doing well and in remission.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Motion voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted Marcel Dumont (W1MLD)

50/50 Raffle \$23.00/\$23.00. Winner John (WA1LSH)