

SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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Business Meeting Minutes March 3, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by the President, Marcel, (W1MLD) with salute to the flag. The roll was called with 18 members present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

There was a motion made and seconded to dispense with the formal reading and accept the report as posted on the board and in Zero Beat. The vote passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to refer the Treasurer's Report to audit.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Technical

Dave (W1DJG) spoke regarding an email from Rick (W1RJC). Considerable progress has been made in the past month. The 147.00 repeater is back online with IRLP. The 900 repeater is back online at full power and connected to the NEAR-900 network. Much work has been done in the repeater shack cleaning up and repairing wiring. Special thanks go out to Rick (W1RJC), Jeff (N1ZZN) and Steve (KC1HO) for all their work and as well to Rick (W1RJC) for his donation of equipment. Dave (W1DJG) has been working on the log periodic antenna and has also reformatted the hard drive on the computer. The SEMARA cam is also working as well. Future work will be done on the 147.00 repeater output and the new 220 repeater system as well as continued progress on the log periodic antenna. Dave (W1DJG) also mentioned that there was fewer than anticipated students In the Technician licensing class but hopes that a few more students may join next week.

Scholarship

Sonny (K1USW) reported that only one application was received by the March 1 deadline. He has contacted the NB Voc Tech Media Technology Department Head and offered to extend the deadline for a few weeks if they want to expedite any applications from students. Next year, letters may go to Department Heads instead of Guidance Counselors to increase contact with students.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ARES, RACES, SKYWARN

Joe (N1IXC) mentioned that the ARES drill last month went well but reminded members to wait to check in until all cities and towns EMA services have checked in.

Radio Events

Bob (K1KVV) mentioned the upcoming 13 Colonies event this coming July, giving some details and looking for operators for this event. Several other events are available on the internet.

COMMUNICATIONS

Marcel (W1MLD) mentioned that the lawyer is still trying to get the original letter of complaint and signature, some discussion followed.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB

Dave (W1DJG) and Ray (N1KXJ) spoke briefly on the Wouxon portable radio, among others, available. Bob (K1KVV) spoke briefly about upcoming Field Day.

ADJOURN

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marc M. Dumont (KB10DE), Secretary

50/50 Raffle: Joe (N1IXC) won the raffle. The split was \$33.00 was split \$16.50/\$16.50.