



SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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Business Meeting Minutes January 5, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by the President, Marcel (W1MLD) with salute to the flag. The roll was called with 24 members and 0 guests present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made, seconded and voted to dispense with reading the Secretary's Report and accept as posted on the bulletin board and Zero Beat.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Mike (KB1NB) reported a current balance of \$27.365.00 with expenses the past month of \$860.85 and inflow of \$143.61. It was noted that Netcom currently owes SEMARA a balance of \$24.304.00, to date, including their share of the tax assessment and past due rent. They have been sent a letter requesting appearance at the Board of Director's meeting to be held on the 14th of January. It was suggested from the floor to send a certified letter to verify receipt of our meeting request. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to refer the Treasurer's report to audit.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Buildings and Grounds

Dave (K1JGV) mentioned that he had tendered his resignation from the committee and made a suggestion to add a member, if interested, to the committee. Marty (KA1YFV) will remain a member.

Technical

Tony (NN1D) stated that the grant for a propane generator has been applied for through Homeland Security and he is awaiting the results. He also will look into the power issue regarding the 147.00 repeater.

Scholarship

Sonny (K1USW) stated that scholarship letters have been sent out to all local high school guidance departments, 13 in all, from Somerset to Wareham. He will also attempt to speak with department heads to get more interest. He is also planning to advertise through public service announcements in local newspapers and radio. The deadline for applications to be received is March 1, with a decision expected in April.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ARES, RACES, SKYWARN

Chris (W1EAV) mentioned the drill on the Fairhaven repeater this coming week and invited anyone to check in.

Radio Events

Bob (K1KVV) mentioned several upcoming events, such as ARRL Kid's Day and Hunting Lions in the Air, among others.

RATIFICATION OF NEW MEMBERS

An application for membership was received from Marcilio Raposo (KB1WGR), a newly licensed Technician. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to accept him as a Life Member.

OLD BUSINESS

There was some discussion from the floor regarding the backup battery for the repeater. As a result, it was decided for those involved to bring specific information including parts and associated costs, consulting with the Finance Committee, to the next business meeting for a vote.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB

Tony (NN1D) mentioned that he would be running another Technician class sometime in February. It will run for 4 weeks with a test on the 5th. There has been considerable interest and two past classes have been very successful. He also mentioned the possibility of a General class in the future. Joe (N1IXC) also mentioned the possibility of bringing the New Bedford EMA EOC to the club for a tour.

ADJOURN

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marc M. Dumont (KB1ODE), Secretary

The 50/50 raffle was won by Brad (W1BEP). The split was \$23.00/\$23.00.