



SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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Business Meeting Minutes February 2, 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 20 members and 0 guests present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the Secretary's Report as posted on the board and in Zero Beat.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Mike (KB1NB) reported that total income for the past month was \$156.00 and total outflow was \$2157.00 leaving a balance of \$25271.00. Treasurer's checks were received from NETCOM in the amount of \$8320.00 towards past due balances. Al from NETCOM stated that he intends to increase payments in the following months to pay outstanding past balances in order to become and stay current. There was also mention of possibly taking over a currently unused radio building in the back as an addition to the main building. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to refer the Treasurer's Report to audit.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Technical

Marcel (W1MLD) mentioned that he heard from Rick (W1RJC) and that one antenna for wireless linking has been installed and the second is expected shortly. This will facilitate IRLP for the repeaters.

Scholarship

Joe (N1IXC) stated that one application had been received for the annual scholarship and they are awaiting more.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ARES, RACES, SKYWARN

Joe (N1IXC) reported that there will be an important meeting at MEMA on February 25. He and Brad (W1BEP) will attend and report back at the next meeting.

Radio Events

Bob (K1KVV) mentioned several different events for the upcoming months including different upcoming QSO parties.

Repeater

Chris (W1EAV) mentioned that Tony (NN1D) will check on the 147.00 radio and amplifier as it is not operating at full power.

NEW BUSINESS

There was some discussion regarding replacement of the backup battery for the repeaters. The cost is expected to be in the area of \$300.00. After discussion it was decided that Brad (W1BEP) would put together a detailed estimate to the Finance Committee prior to and for discussion at the next business meeting.

Marcel (W1MLD) informed the membership that inventory was progressing well and that Armand (W1BUG) had compiled all information into a book, complete with photographs, which can be updated as necessary.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB

There was discussion regarding the upcoming Technician licensing class given by Tony (NN1D). Marcel (W1MLD) mentioned that we are waiting for the date to be finalized before advertising the class. There are several students interested.

ADJOURN

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 pm.

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