



# SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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## Business Meeting Minutes June 7, 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 22 members and 0 guests present. This was followed by a moment of silence for Carl Bredberg (K1KID, SK).

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to dispense with reading the report and accept as posted on the board and in Zero Beat.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Mike (KB1NB) reported a total balance of \$38,206 after income and expenses. There was also some discussion regarding the NETCOM balance and payments as well as interest in the spare building in the back to be attached to the main building as a radio room.

### STANDING COMMITTEES

#### Buildings and Grounds

Marty (KA1YFV) reported that new lawnmower was working well. Marcel (W1MLD) states that the new tractor is a Husqvarna 42 in deck 22 hp tractor purchased from Goldstein's in Westport. Joe K (N1IXC) also mentioned the need for a building "Clean up party" soon.

#### Technical

Marcel (W1MLD) stated that he received email from Rick (W1RJC) regarding prices for a rotor and mounts for the antenna.

#### Scholarship

Sonny (K1USW) mentioned a small change to the scholarship applications this coming year which will require submission of a digital copy in addition to a printed copy of the essay.

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

### **ARES, RACES, SKYWARN**

Anthony Lessa (KB1UAM) mentioned there were several check ins for the RACES net and that both simplex and repeater worked well. He also mentioned the RACES-ACS change may take place this coming July.

### **Activities**

Eric (N1WCO) volunteered to chair the Flea Market this September. Discussion followed. There was also discussion regarding SEMARA VE's and VEC's.

### **Radio Events**

Bob (K1KVV) mentioned several events including Kid's Day (June 16) and Field Day (June 23). Information is in Zero Beat.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

A letter was received from the Dartmouth Police Relief Association looking for a donation. A motion was made, seconded and passed by majority vote to make a donation on \$50.00.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Joe K (N1IXC) asked about the status of the generator and was informed that the grant has been submitted by the Police Department and approval was pending. Marcel (W1MLD) stated that the plumbing issue in the bathroom was to be repaired on June 8.

## **FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB**

Bob (K1KVV) mentioned recent participation in the NE QSO Party net a total point balance of 10,164 points for SEMARA operators. In friendly competition, FARA had a total 33,174 points. Andy (WA1FNM) spoke of the need for VE's and VEC's. It was decided to compile a list of available examiners and coordinators within SEMARA, proceeding from there. It was also mentioned for members to only place recyclable cans in the proper receptacle and to remove pull tabs and place them in the appropriate container for donation.

## **ADJOURN**

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:10 pm.

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

The 50/50 raffle was won by Les Dole (KB1OPY) and the split was \$16/\$16.