



# SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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## Business Meeting Minutes November 1, 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 16 members and 0 guests present.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Mike (KB1NB) reported monies received of \$4,021, expenses of \$3,195, with a total of \$51,237 available. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to refer the Treasurer's Report to audit.

### STANDING COMMITTEES

#### Technical

Marcel (W1MLD) referred to an email from Rick (W1RJC) reporting that the 900 MHz and 220 MHz repeater systems are back online and connected to IRLP.

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

#### ARES, RACES, SKYWARN

Joe K. (N1IXC) thanked all who checked in during hurricane Sandy. He also reported that Mike Nielsen, RACES Director (acting) has resigned and reminded members of the upcoming RACES drill coming this Monday at 19:30 hrs on 147.000.

#### Radio Events

Bob (K1KVV) mentioned several events and referred members to Contest Corral and Zero Beat for information.

## **Repeater**

Marcel (W1MLD) mentioned the 147.000 repeater lately being connected to a repeater in Alaska for an extended amount of time. Discussion that followed suggested that this should be disconnected if no activity is present.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The President, Marcel (W1MLD) spoke of several issues as follows:

*Log Periodic Antenna:* Parts are in to complete repair of the antenna and progress is being made on the rotor and connectors. The reinstall will also be coordinated with Alan for use of the crane.

*Short Tower:* A new rotor will be purchased and use of a lift to set the antenna will be scheduled as all parts for repair are in.

*New Building:* NETCOM takes control of the building on November 5th and then we will be able to enter and view the building. Plans regarding foundation may also be available.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was discussion regarding a Christmas Party for members and their families. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to have a Potluck Supper Party on Thursday, December 20, 2012 at 19:00 hrs.

There was also discussion regarding SEMARA sponsored VE sessions. Progress has been made and Fred (N1TF) is the VE Coordinator for SEMARA.

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

Eric (N1WCO) mentioned the possibility of hosting a Flea Market, possibly on a Saturday in the spring. There was discussion on improving and generating vendors and interest in the event.

## **NOMINATIONS AND VOTING**

Nominations for 2013 Offices were as follows:

*President:* Marcel (W1MLD)

*Vice President:* Joe K. (N1IXC)

*Treasurer:* Mike (KB1NB)

*Secretary:* Marc (KB1ODE)

*Directors (1 year term):* Andy (WA1FNM), Eric (N1WCO), Armand (W1BUG)

*Trustee (5 year term):* Henry (W1GYL), Dave (K1JGV)

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to close the night's nominations and reopen during the December Business Meeting.

## **ADJOURN**

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to adjourn at 8:21 p.m.

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

The 50/50 raffle was won by Armand (W1BUG). The split was \$10.00/\$10.00.