

Called to order by President AE9W-Greg @ 1908Z, April 21, 2001

14.290 MHz.

Propagation: Poor

PRESENT: AE9W, N5VTP, KL7IHK, N8YY, WA0VZH, KF7UX, VE7IPU

EXCUSED: W5RL

CHAT ROOM: N/A

1. Minutes from board meeting on 03/10/01 reviewed.

Motion to accept minutes: KL7IHK

Second: N5VTP

Motion Carried

2. Treasurer's report reviewed.

Motion to accept report: N5VTP

Second: KF7UX

Motion carried

3. Reports:

a. QSL BUREAU, AE9W-Greg:

QSL fund balance of minus \$9.50 last month - not sure if that was resolved before passing the Bureau on to new managers. Dick will settle up with Steve once he knows the final postage bill for shipping the remainder of the QSL Bureau to WA2DEU, and will add these to the amended Treasurer's report at the end of the month.

All is well with exception of expected confusion. Some members still are not sure where to send cards and SASE's. Also getting better at asking if a station is good in the bureau before assuming. QSL Bureau will adopt practice of sending back all cards to stations that do not maintain envelopes in the Bureau.

Bruce, WA2DEU has received the shipment late last week and expects to have all sorted by early this coming week. He is open for business.

Greg AE9W, QSL Manager Bureau #2

b. AWARDS PROGRAM, KL7IHK-Dick: (See Report)

c. ALL-BAND COORDINATOR REPORT, KF7UX-Bob: Bob reports no report. Has a couple of things in the works, but not ready to report yet.

d. ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT, VE7IPU-Dennis: No report - just appointed this week.

e. PRESIDENT'S REPORT, AE9W-Greg: Appointed Dennis VE7IPU as third member and Chairman of the Advisory Committee. Walt W8UCM stepped down due to work and family obligations - some of which is due to daylight savings time change.

Also: For the record, but NOT to be aired in accordance with the By-Laws; K3SAM was asked to step down as 17M Net Coordinator due to personality conflicts and taking too long to get nets started. He did not agree to step down, so was unanimously voted to be removed by Board action as requested by the All Band Net Coordinator; also in accordance with the By-Laws. K3SAM was notified of this action by N5VTP on April 20, 2001.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

a. BY-LAWS REPORT, KL7IHK-Dick:

b. Motion by KL7IHK to accept By-Laws for 2nd consecutive month - with the wording "The one year requirement for appointed offices can be waived by a majority vote of the Board of Directors" removed.

Second: N8YY

Motion Carried

(*** Required to vote in favor again this month in order for this to pass and become final.)

5. NEW BUSINESS:

a. OMISS Home Page Server. Greg AE9W suggests we move the OMISS Home Page to a dedicated server at a similar expense as we incur currently. The benefits are numerous, including: Speed, reliability, ease of maintaining, larger space allocation, extra e-mail accounts for OMISS Officers (more if needed at no cost...) and more. We currently pay \$50 a year donation to QTH.NET, \$25 a year just to have our domain "aliased" and point to qth.net when someone types in www.omiss.net. And another \$35 for the domain name itself. These costs were billed to 3 separate locations. The new service Greg AE9W would like to convert to would all be billed to one location, and would cost \$108.45 annually. Old plan: \$110 annually. New plan: \$108.45 annually.

Motion to move to the new service as recommended by AE9W: N8YY

Second: WA0VZH

Motion Carried

b. Awards Committee: KL7IHK will form a Committee of volunteers to check the wording of the Awards and check for unclear wording, as well as endorsements versus new awards. KL7IHK will report back next month with the list of committee members, and any progress made.

c. Action passed to the Advisory Committee: Dennis VE7IPU and the Advisory Committee will study those frequencies which have been effected by the daylight savings time change. The Advisory Committee will work hand in hand with the All Bands Net Coordinator, KF7UX and the Net Control Stations, to make a recommendation to the Board as to whether or not these changes should remain in effect or go back to the way they were last year.

d. NEXT BOARD MEETING: 5-12-01 at conclusion of 20m net. (Aim for 2nd Saturday of month as a general rule, unless Holiday, contests, or other reason prohibits.)

Motion to adjourn: N5VTP

Second: VE7IPU

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned @ 1955Z.