

Minutes of the OMISS Board Meeting on 2-10-08 (02:00z)

The meeting was called to order by AE9W at 0200Z on 3.9630.

The board members and officers in attendance were :

Greg, AE9W
Jack, K0MAF
John, K5ENA
Homer, ND8F
Jim, KA8III
Bob, N4JTE
Jim, N8FV
Guest: Pete, KF5RD , Awards Manager

Minutes from last month were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

January 2009 Treasurer's Report

1/1/09 Balance \$4,615.10

+	747.64	Cashier's Check from Dick Zenge for balance
+	245.00	Dues
+	<u>52.00</u>	<u>Awards</u>
	\$5,659.74	

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-	121.01	Treasurer/Membership Chairman Expenses
-	125.34	Awards Manager Expenses
-	42.18	Reimburse Greg Stilwell - Meritorious Award
-	186.62	Reimburse Dick Zenge Expenses
-	<u>159.95</u>	<u>Reimburse Dan Miller - Buro Expenses</u>
	\$5,024.64	Balance 1/31/09

Awards Manager Report: Pete reported that the advance early check-in lists on the 40M experimental program were not being sent. He has only received one such list to date.

Old Business:

1. QSO Party appears ready to go. I'll upload one more form this week that a member sent in from last year. If Jim thinks it will be useful – I'll upload it.
2. 40M Early check-in; N4JTE moved that the 40M early check-in policy be rescinded due to ineffectiveness. Motion seconded by AE9W. Discussion was that this practice was seldom used and offered little benefit to offset the additional burden on the Awards Manager. Vote passed unanimously to cancel the early check-in program on 40M.
3. Holidays; it was agreed that only 5 additional Holidays are affected by the discussion last month. ND8F moved that we allow nets that currently say “or Monday if it is a legal Holiday” to include New Years Day, 4th of July, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. N4JTE seconded the motion. Motion passed by majority.

New Business:

1. Vice President; K0MAF Jack: No new business.
2. Secretary, WA4ZOP Warren: excused absence
3. Treasurer, K5ENA John: No new business
4. Director, ND8F Homer: No new business
5. Director, KA8III Jim: No new business
6. ABC, N8FV Jim: It was proposed that the 160M Net be changed to 1.865 at 0400Z. AE9W confirmed the recommendation. Jim is also studying the possibility of finding a less crowded frequency for the 80M net, and will keep us posted on this study. The practice of taking check-ins on AIM was discussed. We are all reminded that it is OK to let folks know you are there via AIM, but you must be heard by Net Control or any relay to be checked into the nets.
7. Advisory Chair, N4JTE Bob: Bob announced his intention to ask AG4PP to fill the remaining seat on the Advisory Committee.
8. President, AE9W Greg:
 - a. Coffee Cups as awards; AE9W moved that we remove the limitation that you only get one mug – even if you win again in subsequent months. Seconded by ND8F. Motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Oklahoma OMISS Table – Pete would like to do one at an upcoming Hamfest. He said he would pay the \$10, but I feel we should be doing more of this sort of thing to begin with. AE9W proposed that OMISS pays for the booth, and perhaps some printing fees to have some tri-folds on hand, maybe some O'Missiles. (*As it turns out, Pete will not be able to run the table this year.)
 - c. AE9W will be sending the O'Missile off to the print shop this week. We do not need to vote on this, as it was passed in the By-Laws that there will be two O'Missiles done

each year and mailed out to the group; one in March and one in August. I will submit the expenses to John, and they will be reflected in the March Treasurer's report. AE9W did find a terrific on-line printing service at a very reasonable cost.

d. AE9W is correcting the on-line meeting schedule.

9. The next meeting will be held on Friday March 13th (local) at 0200Z on 3.9630 plus or minus.

10. Meeting was adjourned at 0326.

These minutes were recorded by AE9W.

Warren / WA4ZOP
Secretary, OMISS