

MINUTES OF THE OMISS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ON AUGUST 14th, 2011

The meeting was called to order by W4UZI at __0200_Z.

In Attendance.

W4UZI —
K0MAF Not Present
KA8MMI —
K5ENA —
ND8F —
KA8III —
K5TRM —
KF5RD —
WA4ZOP —
Guest: No Guests

Previous Minutes Approval.

Neil KA8MMI emailed the previous meeting minutes to the Board Members.

To Approve the previous Minutes.

Motion: Request to board members for comments

Second:

Results: No comments or objections from board members – Previous minutes passed

Treasurer's Report Approval.

K5ENA presented the Treasurer's Report by email to the Board prior to the meeting and is included, as follows:

July, 2011 Treasurer's Report

\$2,756.50 Beginning Balance 7/1/2011

+ 330.36 DUES

+ 38.56 AWARDS

\$3,125.42 **TOTAL DEPOSITS IN**

\$3,125.42

- 39.00 The Signman – 2 Mugs – K6HP Top OP June, 2011 and OM Net Control 2nd QTR 2011
 - 91.10 Trophies and Plaques Plus – State Flag Plaque & Battalion Plate for WH6S. 5 Band WAS WDØCKC. (6/23/2011).
 - 22.00 The Signman – Mug – W5JDF, Top OP, May, 2011 (6/23/2011).
 - 79.20 Post Office - Stamps
 - 5.43 Staples - Paper
 - 156.64 Dan Miller – Reimburse Expenses (Bureau Transfer, etc.)
 - 34.73 Staples – Membership Copies
 - 47.44 Royal Inter-Web – Membership Certificates
 - 10.00 Greg Stilwell – Reimburse Domain Name (omiss.net).
 - 21.80 Dan Miller – Reimburse Expenses (Bureau Transfer, etc.)
 - 142.04 Pete Mann – Reimburse expenses
- \$2,476.04 ENDING BALANCE 7/31/2011**

OMISS QSL Buro Co-Manager Dan Miller, ACØØF, reports the following expenses as of 7/16/2011:

~~Postage~~ Transfer Expense for "W" buro: \$68.23

Boxes and Material for "W" split: \$28.66

~~Postage~~ Transfer Expense for "A" and "N" buro: \$57.67

~~Postage~~ Transfer Expense for forwarding "A" and "N" cards and SASE's: \$2.09

For a total of \$156.64. That leaves \$178.59 cash on hand.

Expenses as of 7/29/2011:

Total forwarding expenses to new buros: \$178.44. (\$21.80 additional expense).

Cash on hand: \$313.43

Respectfully submitted,
John Campbell, K5ENA, 4604
Treasurer & Membership Chairman
August 1, 2011

To Approve the Treasurer's Report.

Motion: Request to board members for comments

Second:

Results: No comments or objections from board members – Treasury report excepted

Reports of Special Committees.

W4UZI: Commented on the buro split going better than expected – each buro still getting the wrong cards but with time that will improve.

-QSL Bureau Split: The QSL Bureau three-way split is complete, as follows:

Bureau 1: A/N – DX Buro (KF5RD)

Bureau 2: K (AC00F)

Bureau 3: W (KB4BML)

-Project Outreach: KOMAF is exploring ways to increase the number of members subscribed to the reflector.

Special Orders.

None.

Unfinished Business and information.

-The publishing deadline for the O'MISSILE Newsletter is by the end of 2011.

New Business.

President W4UZI.

-More turmoil than normal on the nets of late. Ask the ABC to get updated NCS list out to fellow board members.

-ABC please work with Net Coordinators to provide emphasis on QRP/Mobile check-ins (during the preamble), nets starting on time, and only adding check-ins to the list after a station is heard.

-Charlie asked Tandy to put together an up to date NCS list, Tandy going to complete this soon.

-Charlie commented to Tandy on Net Control Operators being certified – Each band coordinator trains the new operators and then suggests this new operator to the ABC for approval and certified.

-Charlie commented to Tandy to make sure that the net controllers are following the mobile / QRP stations up front / make sure nets start on time and stations must be heard to be on work list.

Aims Checkin issues:

Some board members commented on the fact that they do not feel that any check ins should be taken from AIMS at all, some have complained that once they got to the point of checking in there was already 20 to 25 checks on the work list without being actually heard first regards of the fact that the net controller checks at the start of the net to see if they can actually be hear or not. Some board members feel that there should be a stop to this and that that a ruling should be in place for this procedure.

However not all members are in agreement with this for individual reasons, being that the board members are not unanimous on this issue the President has decided to table this issue at this time.

Vice President KOMAF.

Not Present

Secretary KA8MMI.

No new business

Treasurer K5ENA.

Commented on member sending Email to board that he can be used as in any activity except net controller. Charlie asked Jim (KA8III) to send thank you note.

Director ND8F.

ND8F expressed concern about forming prelists before the NCS has control of the frequency. A board discussion ensued. The board was not in agreement as to what if anything should be done. After the discussion was completed, the President asked if there was an affirmative motion concerning prelists. No motion was made; therefore, no action was taken.

Results from Homers request on the Anniversary nets were loved by the members and that the members by 99 percent feel there should continue every year, however certificates should be held off for each 5 to 10 years, but 5 years seems more appropriate.

Homer tracking the amount of new members since the Dayton Hamfest.

Director KA8III.

No new business

Chairman of the Advisory Council WA4ZOP.

Commented on results of comments from members – Mostly that contacts with mobiles have all have information on card for both sides of contact. John (K5ENA) commented this information is in the new member's packet.

All Bands Coordinator K5TRM.

-Tandy commented on the status of Nets.

-10m – Propagation dependent / Homer (ND8F) commented that his rotor is down but other net controllers are helping out.

-15m – Propagation dependent / K6HP on vacation / recommend other net controllers / Tandy to help ED to accomplish this.

-17m – Propagation dependent

-20m - Active during day / Mostly stable

-40m - Active during evening hours / Net controller changes / Atmospheric changes

-80m – Active with atmospheric noise and propagation issues.

-160m – Not active at this time / Have to check on who all is going to cover this.

No new business

Awards Manager KF5RD.

Centurion award issues / award seems confusing / seems too difficult to administrate / Decided to be tabled at this time.

NATA issues with them running over in time on nets and OMISS members using contacts from NATA for our awards.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Sunday September 11, 2011 at 0200Z on Skype if 40m conditions are poor. W4UZI will conduct a radio check at 0145Z, on 7.196 +/- 7kHz, to evaluate propagation.

Motion to Adjourn: John (K5ENA)

Second: Pete (KF5RD)

The Board Meeting was adjourned at ____03:20 Z____