



Call to order by W5JDF at 0100 Zulu on Skype

Welcome to all Board Members and member observers. Thank you for attending.

**ROLL CALL**

N4JTE X  
W5JDF X  
K5ENA X  
W9FML X  
ND8F X  
N4JLT X (ARRIVED AT 0121)  
K6HP X  
KF7BA X  
KD0TXH ABSENT

MEMBER OBSERVERS: KK9KK, N2KOJ, W4YQY (0125), W7XTZ, KJ5IM(0140), W4REB

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**PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVAL:**

W9FML submitted the board minutes from the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting for approval. MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS READ

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**September, 2015 Treasurer's Report**

\$6,382.73 Beginning Balance September 1, 2015

- + 311.70 DUES
- + 127.74 AWARDS
- + 114.95 SASE's
- + 3.11 Donation from KK6RWK
- + 25.00 Reimbursement from Brad Alms (Stamps)

**\$6,965.23 TOTAL DEPOSITS IN**

\$6,965.23

- 25.26 Staples – Paper
- 25.00 Stamps.com ,Postage for Brad Alms' meter
- 48.70 The Signman – Mugs – N4UP, AD0MG, Top Ops August, 2015
- 15.99 Stamps.com, Usage fee for Brad Alms' postage meter 8/10/2015
- 15.99 Stamps.com, Usage fee for Brad Alms' postage meter 9/8/2015
- 257.47 Carrie Krueger, Reimburse for KN4OM QSL Manager Supplies
- 9.80 Reasors, Stamps for John, K5ENA
- 25.00 Stamps for Brad Alms personal
- 107.27 Peter Mann, Reimburse Membership and K Bureau expenses

**\$6,434.75 Ending Balance September 30, 2015**

There is a \$102.95 balance in the NCS of the Quarter Gift Ledger.

Respectfully submitted,

John Campbell, K5ENA, 4604 Treasurer

October 7, 2015

TREASURER'S REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ

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**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

NONE

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**SPECIAL ORDERS:**

**N4JTE: Presentation of the President's Certificate of Appreciation to Homer, ND8F, #774. KA8YIT made a nomination to the board of directors for Homer to receive this award. Bob stated that it was an honor to present this award to Homer. The board voted unanimously in agreement. Homer has been the "voice" of OMISS for many years. He is always offering a warm welcome to new members as well as paying tribute to our silent members as well. He is an ambassador for over 10,000 members, very well deserved.**

**Homer thanked the board, and he humbly accepts. Each board member took a moment to congratulate Homer on this award. He is only the 3<sup>rd</sup> recipient of this award. It will be sent to the reflector and posted on the website. A framed certificate will be mailed to Homer.**

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**BY LAW COMMITTEE:** KK9KK, Rich, Chairman of the Bylaw committee addressed the Board of Directors with the revised bylaws. They were emailed to the board for review prior to the meeting. He mentioned that the voting ballots will remain the same, the wording was changed back to 6 votes instead of 7 for bylaw approval, and that the appointed voting members will remain in their position until the newly appointed boards meets. ND8F made a motion to accept the newly revised bylaws. W9FML 2<sup>ND</sup> the motion. Role call vote taken and 1<sup>st</sup> vote passed unanimously. The 2<sup>nd</sup> required vote will be taken at next months board meeting. If it passes, it will be the new amended bylaws.

**OMISS CLUB CALL:** no past OM of the Year requested to use the club call. Discussion regarding LOTW, EQSL, AND QRZ uploading of club logs. No logs will be uploaded at this time as it is important to the board to promote the OMISS QSL Bureau's. Paper QSL is going to be only option at this point. May be revisited if needed.

**80m issues: Ed stated he emailed Dave the concerns sent to the advisory panel.** Other items to be discussed in ABC comments

**NET ETTIQUETTE:** Discussion regarding posting and emailing with new membership etiquette for the nets. W9FML informed board of many derogatory comments being made on AIM about members, ncs, board, "lids". It has gotten beyond the point of NCS being able to control all of it as they are busy running a net. AIM can no longer be disabled. Issue is primarily on 40 and 80. 3 band coordinators would like to see this in place as a tool to help members understand how to behave during our nets. Jerry felt this would be a good thing for the Advisory panel to work on. Ed asked for explanation on specifics. Jerry stated might be best for us to focus on what we would like out nets to look like, rather than focus on negatives. Ed will have something prepared by next board meeting.

**INFORMATION BROCHURE:** N4JTE will assume responsibility for this. OMISS has the money to reprint new ones. These are to be used at hamventions and any event that OMISS attends.

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PRESIDENT N4JTE**

Congratulations to KF7BA on NCS of the Quarter winner! (2<sup>nd</sup> time this year) Congratulations to KF7UX on Top OP Sept. Bob now has 8 mugs!

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**VICE PRESIDENT W5JDF**

NONE

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**TREASURER K5ENA**

NONE

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SECRETARY W9FML

EMAIL was sent to KF7BA for NCS quarter shirt. Order will be placed.

Question to the board as to how to get the club call more active on the nets. After much board discussion, several options were presented. W9FML made a motion to allow all elected and appointed board members as well as those serving an active committee to have access to use the OMISS CLUB CALL KN4OM. K6HP 2<sup>ND</sup> THE MOTION. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously. W9FML will send updated list to Dave, KD0TXH so he can issue a calendar to these members. Will monitor for 30 days. The board may consider adding active band coordinators or NCS next. All members using club call must follow guidelines on website.

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DIRECTOR ND8F

NONE the topic he had was being addressed in the ABC comments, he will wait

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**DIRECTOR N4JLT**

Asked for a copy of information sent to new members. He felt he had given someone wrong information. K5ENA said he would email Ken what he had. KOJDD is now doing that email.

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**CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVISORY PANEL K6HP**

**QSO party issue still unresolved.** His computer has had some issues, and he is unable to access several emails. He will update later

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**AWARDS MANAGER KF7BA**

Trying to find ideas for awards for club call. W9FML offered work 5 officers on 5 bands, but activity of club call needs to be more active to be successful. Brad asked for board to email him with any ideas.

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**ALL BANDS COORDINATOR KD0TXH**

**NATA NET requested for winter months that OMISS 40m net take give them an extra half hour as in years past. Motion was made to begin check ins at 0100 for winter months by W9FML, 2<sup>nd</sup> by N4JLT. Roll call vote taken, passed unanimously. Net will resume to normal check ins at 0030 when daylight savings time begins in spring of 2016.**

**20m coordinator: KJ7FX has been fulfilling his duties as coordinator and a motion was made by N4JLT to appoint MIKE KJ7FX, as the permanent 20m coordinator, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K5ENA. Role call vote taken, passed unanimously.**

**80m coordinator: Discussion about Danny, KE5WDI, not fulfilling his role as the 80m coordinator. This was brought to the attention of Dave on several occasions by several net controls on 80m. Some of the issues were lack of training, email support, keeping nets covered, lack of involvement with qrm and net frequency struggles. It is important at this time to have an active band coordinator in that role due to the intentional and unintentional qrm, "lids" and jammers. A motion was made by K6HP to remove Danny as band coordinator and have ABC appoint a 30 day temporary replacement. 2<sup>nd</sup> by W9FML. Roll call vote taken, passed unanimously. W9FML will notify Dave immediately.**

**80m time change:** It has been a hot topic of discussion as to possibly move 80m net one hour later and possibly even eliminate late 80 to help with qrm issues and lack of frequency. Many feel this will also help west coast check ins. After board discussion, it has been decided to revisit this again in the coming months. It is the opinion of the board that we need to give the new band coordinator an opportunity to work with 80 before decisions are made. Having an active leader may help eliminate some of the current issues and give the NCS the support they need.

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**MEMBER OBSERVERS: open floor for member observers to address the board of directors.**

**N2KOJ thanked W9FML for work as 40m BC. She handled an issue that was sent to him via email, and positive solution was reached. Also mentioned the omiss qsl card and thought it was a beautiful card.**

**KJ5IM mentioned how a chat session prior to 80m nets didn't work out.**

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**NEXT BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 AT 0100 ZULU (7PM CENTRAL) KF7BA WILL HOST SKYPE  
All meeting dates coordinate with Zulu time. Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month.**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN BY N4JLT**

**SECOND BY ND8F**

**ANY OBJECTIONS?NONE**

**IF NONE, MEETING ADJOURNED AT 0310 ZULU**