

APPROVED MINUTES



OMISS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 9, 2017

Call to order by W9FML at ___1:32__ Zulu on Skype

Welcome to all Board Members and member observers.

ROLL CALL

PRESIDENT-W9FML Present
VICE PRESIDENT-K6HP Present
TREASURER-K5ENA Present
SECRETARY-W7XTZ Present
DIRECTOR-N4JTE Present
DIRECTOR-KJ5IM Present
ADVISORY CHAIRMAN-KK9KK Present

AWARDS MANAGER- KF7BA HAS RESIGNED PER TEXT TO PRESIDENT. OFFICIAL LETTER PENDING

ALL BAND COORDINATOR-AI0A Present

MEMBER OBSERVERS: N2KOJ, NJ8G, N8SPM, W4PW, KE0CRP, K7CTM, K8MPW, W0KGB, KF7TLL, W2FDB, KA7MPX, WB8RWM

PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVAL:

W9FML submitted the board minutes from the DEC 12th meeting for approval. **MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS READ**

TRESURER REPORT:

December, 2016 Treasurer's Report

\$6,568.62 Beginning Balance December 1, 2016

+ 257.43 DUES
+ 54.69 AWARDS
+ 147.90 SASE's
+ 20.00 Donation, S Racing
\$7,048.64 TOTAL DEPOSITS IN

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- 100.60 The Signman, Mugs, W4DFR, K4LO, K7CTM, ND8F Top Ops 11/16
- 15.99 Stamps.com, Usage Fee Brad's Meter
- 61.70 Carrie Krueger, Reimburse for 3 purchases NCS QTR, CK#1228
- 25.00 USPS.COM, Postage for Brad's meter
- 6.80 Carrie Krueger, Reimburse for shipping, CK# 1229
- 35.00 Carrie Krueger, Reimburse for N2HTL gift, ck# 1230
- 67.70 Peter Mann, Reimburse membership and K buro expense, CK# 1231
- 100.38 Neil Dunham, Reimburse W N A DX buro and SASE, ck# 1232
- 36.80 Carrie Krueger, Reimburse for N2HTI gift and postage, ck# 1233

\$6,598.67 Ending Balance December 31, 2016

Respectfully submitted

John Campbell, K5ENA, 4604

Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

NONE

SPECIAL ORDERS:

APPOINTMENT OF AWARDS MANAGER:

Due to the resignation of KF7BA, it is the recommendation of W9FML to have KF7BA mail all outstanding awards and supplies to KF5RD immediately. Pete has offered to assist in the process of catching up on the awards both paper and electronic. All votes for OM of the Year will be submitted to W9FML to continue the ballot count. W9FML will also receive Top OP votes for the month of January. Brad will need to complete his finance report for K5ENA in a very timely manner. It is my intention to suspend all award submissions for 30 days to allow Pete time to get the awards on track and to allow time to transfer between Brad and Pete and then between Pete and the new awards manager. W9FML will update on who will be the replacement for this role. Official appointment to be made in February.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Regarding the Awards Manager Brad KF7BA: Carrie W9FML says that Brad is unable to perform his duties and has resigned. Carrie W9FML will track TOP OP and OM OF THE YEAR for awards for the month of January. All OMISS awards to be suspended for 30 days. Pete KF5RD to be appointed temporary awards manager, vote taken and unanimously passed. Board should send its thanks for taking on the position. Tim K9WVL has been approached by the President to assume this vacant position. Nomination to be made in February.

Thanks to Brad KF7BA for trying during a difficult time in his life.

Prior Advisory Committee forwarded two items to the new committee..... Carrie W9FML lost her Skype connection after +/- 0145 ZULU. Everyone reconnected at 0204 ZULU and proceeded to New Business

NEW BUSINESS:

PRESIDENT W9FML

Congratulations to WA4JS for being voted as the NCS of the month. He has declined his gift.

Congratulations to WD5CSK on being voted Top OP for December. Well done and thank you both for all the work you do for OMISS.

Copy of Roberts Rules of Order sent to KA7MPX. It was damaged in mail transit, W9FML will ship one direct from Amazon to Russ.

Dayton Hamvention: Contact has been made with the new organizers and location. W9FML has emailed the organizers to get details. Dates are May 19-21

Update from Chaplain: WB8RWM has mailed cards to K8APR, W4REB, KJ5IM, AND KY5G. Emails of encouragement sent to several of previously listed as well. He has made his presence on the nets and sent emails to the reflectors of Christmas cheer. He is enjoying his position and is available to any member.

OMISS QSO PARTY: Takes place starting 2/11/2017 @15:00 ZULU and ending 2/12/2017 @ 15:00 ZULU

NET BROCHURE: K9WVL had this scheduled to be complete this week. Will post on website when done.

OMISS CLUB CALL MANAGER: W9FML is still trying to reach out to Richard , W4REB, for an update on his health and for transfer of position.

Possible Scholarship: To be discussed in the future, W9MFL will present her research at Feb meeting.

By-Laws Review: To be discussed in February

Bil K8MPW may attend the Dayton Hamvention, Eric W0KGB may help if we get a booth. Jim KJ5IM is all for having a booth. Bob N4JTE says let's promote it now. Dave AI0A is all for it. Discussion as to whether we should suspend nets during Dayton, no vote taken but the consensus is no.

Announcements: Net Control Stations should pass on all announcements over the air. That way we will have more participation during the QSO party, and more voting for OM of the month and NCS of the quarter.

VICE PRESIDENT K6PH

Stated that the OMISS QSO party is listed on at least one contest calendar

TREASURER K5ENA

NONE

SECRETARY W7XTZ

Struggling with emails bouncing

DIRECTOR N4JTE

NONE

DIRECTOR KJ5IM

NONE

CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVISORY PANEL KK9KK

Approached by K7RCP who wondered if OMISS can do anything Santa related, on the net or special event with the club call sign. Consensus was not anything official, other groups have Santa nets and we want to focus on what we do.

Approached by W3SCA who wanted officers to be more available or visible to members. Consensus was that he could sign up for the reflector to stay more informed as to what is going on (he is currently not signed up). Carrie W9FML said it is impossible to personally invite each individual member to attend board meetings.

Approached by AE5GG as to the possibility of a Merchant Marine award. This has been tabled until AE5GG is able to present members that would qualify for this. Then review to decide if worth addressing again. "Ball is in his court" as he reported to W9FML in an email.

Discussion on net check ins; check ins can be done by designated relays and (checked in) non-designated relays but must be heard on the air. Consensus is that check ins are not to be done by AIM (part of Net Logger), station must be heard by the Net Control Station or a relay. Carrie W9FML said that Net Logger is not required to run a net.

Approached by some member(s) to possibly move the 10M net due to no propagation on 10 meters, it's not an issue at this time. Possibly revisit in the future. Consensus was not to invite Technician level licensees.

WY0Q is using an older version of Net Logger and doesn't have the M/P column for mobile & portable stations checking in. He is unable to upgrade to a higher version of NL due to his older operating system. Walt NJ8G says that most NCS are using version 3.0 or higher. Dave AI0A says that QRZ lookups works with version 3.1.5.

Approached by K7CTM who is concerned with new or nonmembers having difficulty navigating the website to find the club brochure. Suggestion made to have the brochure easier to see on website.

AWARDS MANAGER

NONE

ALL BANDS COORDINATOR AI0A

W2FDB REVIEW FOR 160M COORDINATOR: Dave AI0A moved & Bob N4JTE seconded the motion that W2FDB be made the 160 meter band coordinator. Roll call vote taken, motion passed unanimously.

MEMBER OBSERVERS: open floor for member observers to address the board of directors. Any questions or concerns?

Eric N2KOJ, congrats to Rich KK9KK on becoming Advisory Panel Chairman. Eric may attend Dayton

Walt NJ8G wonders if OMISS is a 501-C3 non-profit corporation. A group he belongs to does scholarships through the ARRL. John K5ENA believes we are.

Bil K8MPW, a club to which he belongs is a 501-C3 and he thinks it's a good idea for scholarships. He wonders about having a 12m net. There was discussion that there is a lot of "flak" from other stations that "nets are not allowed" on 12 & 17 meters. Bil recommends separating 17 & 20 M net start times. Jim KJ5IM agrees.

Kirk WKGB wasn't aware that Dayton charged fees for club tables. His XYL is knowledgeable about 501-C3 corporations and he may give the board more information.

Frank W2FDB thanks the board for the appointment as the 160 M band coordinator. He wonders if anyone operates the club call sign during the OMISS QSO party. He suggests sharing tables with other clubs to save money.

Russ KA7MPX says the package sent to him did not include a copy of Roberts Rules of Order. He has ideas for streamlining the agenda to make it less cluttered and will share with Carrie W9FML

Bob WB8RWM (chaplain) says please send all information regarding any member that is sick, has passed away, etc. members to him and he will send cards or emails to them. Bob N4JTE asked if Bob WB8RWM has a budget and he replied that he sends in expense vouchers to get reimbursed.

John K5ENA says we are not a 501-3C as our balance would have to be under \$3000.

NEXT BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FEB 13TH at 0130 ZULU

Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month. SKYPE WILL BE HOSTED BY AI0A

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY __K5ENA_____

SECOND BY __N4JTE_____

ANY OBJECTIONS? NONE

IF NONE, MEETING ADJOURNED AT __3:14__ ZULU