

OMISS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Approved Meeting Notes for September 10th, 2018

1. Meeting called to Order by W9FML at _1:05__ ZULU via Skype

2. Roll Call:

President -W9FML	Present
Vice President-K6HP	Present
Treasurer-K5ENA	Present
Secretary-W7XTZ	Present
Director-N4JTE	Present
Director-AB0GT	Present
Advisory Chairman-NJ8G	Present
Awards Manager- KI6WOX	Present
All Band Coordinator-WO4L	Present

Guests in attendance: K8MPW WB8RWM WT8WV N0EHX WB8HRO W4JRV
WB8GCF KD2DMR W9EKK N2HTL K7CTM K6BBB

Members/Attendees are asked to refrain from interrupting the Board Meeting unless the President or a Board member specifically requests clarification from a member/attendee. Guests will be given an opportunity to address the board following the formal business.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the August 13th meeting was submitted for approval. Any questions or changes? **Approved As Read**

4. Approval of Treasurer's Report:

Any questions or changes?

August, 2018 Treasurer's Report

\$4,994.18 Beginning Balance August 1, 2018

+ 411.56 DUES

+ 9.71 AWARDS

+ 90.99 SASE's

\$5,506.44 TOTAL DEPOSITS IN

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- 27.15 The Signman, Mug, K80VHA, Top Op July, 2018, VISA

- 56.64 Neil Dunham, Reimburse Expenses, CK# 1310

- 50.00 Robert Moody, Reimburse Stamps, CK# 1311

- 15.72 Peter Mann, Reimburse Expenses, CK# 1312

\$5,356.93 Ending Balance August 31, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

John Campbell, K5ENA, 4604

Treasurer
September 1, 2018

Approved As Read

1. Reports of Special Committees:

W9FML and K6HP have been updated weekly from W4JRV on behalf of the Nomination Committee. Nominations closed on August 31st, 2018. The committee asked each nominee to fill out a questionnaire to assist them in finding the best candidates for the 2018 election. After 54 days of nominations, I ask that W4JRV present the Directors with the 2018 Ballot at this time.

RECORD PLEASE RECORD BALLOT ANNOUNCEMENT AND ALL COMMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN

(Transcript of the address by W4JRV will be at the end of the meeting notes. A recording was forwarded to W9FML).

W9FML thanks W4JRV, KM4OUS and WB0YBZ, for serving the society as the 2018 Nomination Committee. We appreciate your service. With this submission, the Nomination Committee is dissolved. Special thanks to all the NCS stations that assisted in making the announcements during their nets regarding the election process.

2. Special Orders:

Major Timelines for the 2018 Election:

***July: The President appoints a three-person Nominating Committee**

COMPLETED. During July the President approached active, select members of OMISS for potential service on the Nominating Committee. The goal was to have a committee comprised of both senior members and newer members. The final three members were selected based on their willingness and eagerness to serve, and their ability to serve. The three members of the 2018 OMISS Nominating Committee are Jeff, W4JRV # 5756, Ken, WB0YBZ #10259 and Steve, KM4OUS #10630.

The President and Vice President hosted a meeting with the Nominating Committee. W4JRV has volunteered to be the spokesperson. The President will issue initial guidance to the committee, including the new rules per the bylaws, then will leave the meeting to allow the committee to do their work autonomously. The committee spokesperson has provided weekly updates to the President and the Vice President regarding the status of nominees for elective offices. Weekly

updates will continue until September 10th when the final list of nominees is submitted to the Board of Directors. A link was created for the nomination committee to receive all emails as a team. This change has been a benefit to the team as it allows them to communicate as a group. Everyone is getting the same information at the same time. (Thank you to K0JDD for helping get this in place)
NOTE: The Nominating Committee is now accepting nominations for the following elective offices: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and two Directors.

*COMPLETED: *Incumbents must notify in writing their desire to be placed on the ballot no later than August 15th, 2018. You are encouraged to notify them sooner if you know your intentions.*

**To nominate a member for elective office, please email the committee members with an official nomination. Be sure to include your call sign and OMISS number.*

**Before you nominate a member, check with that person to see if he/she is willing to run. The member must be an active member in the society and have been a member since June 1st of 2017. All OMISS members from #1-#11133 are eligible.*

**The email address for the committee is nominations@omiss.net*

Remaining Timelines:

***September 10th: The Nominating Committee formally submits their list of nominees to the Board of Directors. With this formal submission, the Nominating Committee is dissolved.**

***September 10th: The President reconfirms the appointment of N4JLT OM# 1505 as the Election Officer for the 2018 Election.**

***September 10th: Announcement to membership: Official election ballots will be available online on October 15th. [W9FML will send emails and post on forum](#)**

***September 17th: Nominees meet with each other to decide and agreed upon protocol for campaigning. [W9FML will email the candidates](#)**

***September 17th: Nominees will be provided the opportunity to present their campaigns to the membership on the OMISS Forum and on the OMISS Reflector.**

***October 15th: Voting Begins**

***November 15th: Voting Ends**

***November 22nd: The Election Officer shall have the votes tallied and inform the Board of Directors of the results.**

***December 1st: The newly elected members of the Board of Directors begin their term of office.**

(The All Bands Coordinator, Advisory Panel Chairman and the Awards Manager will have their last day as November 30th but will be reappointed or a new person will be appointed at the first December Board of Directors meeting).

We look forward to watching the progress of the Nominating Committee in their quest to provide the best possible candidates for the 2018 elections. If the

committee feels any candidate did not meet the criteria for the election a brief explanation will be provided to the Board of Directors.

3. Unfinished Business:

- 3.1 NCS roster and email for reflector has been updated. In a joint effort with W9FML and WO4L, the NCS roster, website list for active and inactive NCS stations, and email reflector now all reflect active stations. 160 and late 80 NCS stations were not removed. K0JDD is on this list because he is the list owner. If a station has not called a net in 90 days, they will move to the inactive list and will not have the ability to send a list in to the reflector. They may pick up a net and email the list to WO4L and then be activated again per WO4L. W9FML has a copy of master list and all Band Coordinators have been provided with a copy.
- 3.2 Club call has been used in 9 states now. AI4SR has created a calendar that is has been placed on the website. He will be the administrator. When someone views the calendar, they will email AI4SR and sign up. QRZ page has been updated for KN4OM. The qsl information has been listed, AI4SR is the contact person and his email has been provided. The page has all the information for qsl'ing and using the club call.
W4REB, as the previous Club Call manager, will send any remaining information or materials to AI4SR.
- 3.3 W9FML researched the discussion regarding QRZ lookup. A member station had offered to pay for 5 years of QRZ on behalf of the club. However, QRZ is meant for single member memberships. We thank W4PW for his generous offer, but declined accepting it. We will have to make due with members who do not subscribe to qrz.
- 3.4 [note to review K4YUS at October meeting regarding 20m BC](#)
- 3.5 [note for next admin: K7CTM 160m review for Jan 2019](#)

4. New Business:

President W9FML

- 4.1 Congratulations to KD2DMR, Jeremy, and KG5JIM, Jimmy on being voted NCS of the Month. Both of these guys are running nets on 40m and doing a great job. Thank you!
- 4.2 Congrats to K6ODI, on TOP OP of the Month for August! Glad to have you helping on the nets!
- 4.3 Chaplain Report: Update given from WB8RWM
W4PW's xyl is in the hospital. WB8RWM is now cancer free! Calls made to Homer (ND8F) and Vivian for their trials and problems. Vivian now has her

HF system up & running. Counseling members were held with other members (phone?). Cards were sent to wives of injured members. WB8RWM says, "We want members to know that we care about them". Bob WB8RWM says it meant a lot receiving emails from members and conversations had with them during his recent situation.

- 4.4 KA7MPX recovering from surgery. He is unable to complete the Omissile this quarter. A guest editor was requested by W9FML. K3OZB, Jack, has agreed to publish this quarter. We thank him tremendously for stepping in to do this for the club. 2 submissions received were forwarded.

W9FML received an email from an NCS after *he* received an email after he was unable to run one of the 80 meter nets. The email was very nasty, hate filled & racist. The NCS understandably resigned his position. After a period of time to allow the discouraged NCS to cool off the ABC will contact him to see if he would like to change his mind. The consensus of discussion was that this was unacceptable and if the person could be identified he should be stripped of membership (if he is a member).

5. Board Member Information and Discussion:

5.1 Vice President K6HP

CW OPS of CW Academy has been using Zoom in place of Skype. More people can be included vs Skype and video along with audio can be used with no problems.

5.2 Treasurer K5ENA

Very happy that WB8RWM is now cancer free. K5ENA's wife has health issues and is working through a dislocated shoulder.

5.3 Secretary W7XTZ

Asked W4JRV if he unsuccessfully tried to contact W7XTZ and the answer was no

5.4 Director N4JTE

Thanks to WB8RWM for what he does, thanks to W4JRV and the rest of the nominating committee for their hard work.

5.5 Director AB0GT

NONE

5.6 Chairman of the Advisory Panel NJ8G

Wishes WB8RWM smooth sailing in the future.

5.7 Awards Manager KI6WOX

Updated the website for the non-commissioned or civilian first responders award. In other words, those that support first responders such as police, fire/rescue, coast guard, etc.

5.8 All Band Coordinator WO4L:

Congrats to WB8RWM on being cancer free. Welcome to W9EKK on becoming a new NCS. Another new person is undergoing training to

become an NCS. Nominating committee did a great job. The over top nasty email cost us a good NCS (see previous comment on section 4.4).

6. Member/Attendee Comments:

The board will hear discussion of unannounced matters pertaining to OMISS club business. Board members may discuss, but can take no action. Are there any members who wish to address the board?

K8MPW made comments but his audio cut out and he was unintelligible.

N0EHX Thanks the board for letting him attend.

K7CTM Has been busy with wildfires and will start soon on the 80 meter & 160 meter nets.

WB8HRO Zoom is very good but said that money would be a problem for him (he was told it was no cost to join or participate in a conference). Thanks to WB8RWM, his conversations with him means a lot.

WB8GCP Thanks the board, the advisory committee and the nominating committee. Great job.

KD2DMR Everyone did a great job (board & committees).

N2HTL Thanks for letting him participate, thanks for the telephone call regarding the personal attack on the NCS (section 4.4). WO4L, "thanks for the support".

K6BBB We need to use another phrase rather than saying "Free plus one" when establishing the number of calls allowed on a particular net. It is frequently misunderstood as "Three plus one" and sometimes causes problems & misunderstandings.

RECORD COMMENTS

7. Next Board Meeting Scheduled for October 15th, 2018 at 0100 ZULU

Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month. Skype will be hosted by President W9FML.

8. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn by _____ K6HP _____

Second by _____ NJ8G _____

Any Objections? _____ None _____

If none, Meeting Adjourned at 2:09 ZULU

Board members are encouraged to stay and visit with guests at conclusion of meeting.
Thank you for attending.

Respectfully,
Carrie Krueger W9FML OM #8420
OMISS President