# Florida Repeater Council Meeting Minutes Melbourne Hamfest Saturday October 11, 2014

#### Open Meeting commenced at 15:13

- 1. President's opening announcements. Explanation of Open Forum procedures and Board of Director's Business Meeting. Board introductions.
- 2. President recognized Chuck W4CLL for his efforts on the database.
- 3. President spoke about new applications based on 180 expiration notices. Secretary asked for updates for all the expired coordinations.
- 4. Coco Beach 030 application hand carried to Council at meeting. Could not do it on line. Must use new browser to use CAPTCHA.
- 5. Last submission for ARRL repeater Directory is Jan 28th.
- 6. Discussion on paper repeaters.
- 7. Military Repeater Coordinator info given. There is a link on our website.
- 8. Discussion on 431.7375/438.3375 output narrow band repeater. Too close to weak signal part of band. Several users asked us to have repeater moved to a different frequency. To be continued in board meeting.
- 9. Comments on SARNET coverage.
- 10. Questions on publishing locations and expiration dates from Ft Myers club.
- 11. WA4AQV Platinum Coast Club does not want narrow band coordinations. Lengthy discussion. Secretary to update info on website.
- 12. D1 Director election process discussion. Combined D1 and D2.
- 13. President called for additional comments. Nothing heard.

## Open Meeting Adjourned at 15:44

### **Board Meeting Called to Order at 15:45**

- 1. D6 absent.
- 2. Secretary's reading of previous minutes accepted.
- 3. Treasury Report-Balance + \$12,226.26
- 4. Database Manager Report
  - recent update now 1,282 records. Backlog of 85 applications. Maintenance of ARRL database is causing more backlog.
- 5. Coordinator's Report:
  - -caught up in July. One month backlog now.
- 6. Director Reports
  - D1 None.
  - D2 None.
  - D3 New Director Steve asked for anyone with open issues to contact him.
  - ${\sf D4}$  431 Repeater issue for discussion. Motion to add Chuck as  ${\sf D4}$  Director. Motion passed.
  - D5 Add James as new Director for D5. Motion passed.
  - D6 Absent.
  - D7 None.
  - D8 Norm Scholer added as Vice Director.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. D4 Allocation of 5 UHF Emergency itinerant repeater pairs for temporary use at disaster sites or drills. < 100' < 50 watt ERP Require letter from county EM? NPSPAC for UHF ham frequencies.
  - Still looking for pairs. Will be by district. Tabled for Orlando.
  - The attached recommendations from D4 Mike on Addendum 1.
- 2. D4 Reestablish a coordinating body or committee or staff to spread the workload and move the coordinations in a timely manner.
  - Need to pick committee members. Doug and Steve to serve with Dana. Motion passed.
- 3. Coordinator asks Directors to write position description.
  - Secretary to submit at Orlando.
- 4. Review/assignment of second Director per District.
  - D6 & D7 to look for second Director.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Coordination of .W4AQR MBFM Fusion Repeater.

Motion to suspend coordination so we can research alternate frequencies. Passed.

2. Chuck W4CLL hosting Application Links for FRC using CAPTCHA. Can we host these links in the main FRC site.

Chuck was congratulated by President.

3. Trustee dispute for W4IE repeaters in Sarasota.

Coordinator asked to change holder info. Current Holder moved away and cannot be contacted. Wait till renewal in 2015. Club will need to file a new application with club as Holder.

4. Set fixed renewal date for all future coordinations and begin assigning that date asap.

D4 Motion to make 9-30-16 as expiration date for all new coordinations going forward with all coordinations expiring every 2 even years. **Motion passed**. D4 Motion for any coordinations generated within 6 months before 9-30-16 be coordinated until the next 2 year cycle. **Motion passed**.

5. Set date for newsletter prior to that renewal date.

D4 Motion to do a newsletter, announcing the renewal date, to be mailed 6 months before renewal date (no later than 3 months before renewal date). **Motion** passed.

6. Status of real time database access for Directors.

Tabled to Orlando. President to talk to IT resource. D4 motion to give President authority to attain new website. **Motion passed**.

7. Publication policy for Links and Linked Repeaters. (unlisted repeaters).

D4 Tabled for Orlando. Repeaters to be used as links.

8. Could me modify the our correspondence to show the Subject and Frequency on the Subject Line? Same with our application forms.

Chuck to work on it. Update by Orlando.

9. Change date from 1-1-15 for the coordination of wide band repeaters.

 $5\overline{\text{C}}$ . Change date to 1-1-20. Motion passed. D4 to write new justification.

10. Merger of D1 and D2 AND move Martin County to D3

D2 motion to move Martin to D3. **Motion passed**. D4 motion to change D1-D2 name to D1. **Motion passed**.

Board Meeting Adjourned 16:45

Minutes Submitted by: Marshall Paisner-K4MAP, Secretary FRC