

Minutes of the Minnesota Repeater Council

Fall meeting held On November 7, 2020
Online via Zoom due to the Covid19 Pandemic

Call to order by Chairman Jay Maynard at 10:01AM

Quorum was met with a total of 39 members in good standing on the roster, 17 in attendance of which 10 are non-metro.

Introduction of members and officers made.

Chairman's Report: Jay Maynard K5ZC

Secretary & Treasurer's report: Jerry Dorf N0FWG
Reports presented to membership in the newsletter, and presentation.

Frequency coordinator: Jerry Dorf N0FWG
Reports presented to membership in the newsletter, and presentation.

Technical Committee:
Nothing to report

Announcements:
Matt Holden presented a report on the status of the ARRL

New Members:
Motion made, seconded and passed to accept. Motion passes
Randy Conright REG N0WSP Burnsville
John Simmons REG NI0K Shevin
Jeff Ekblad REG KE0JRS Red Wing
Glenn Kallevig REG N0WT Foley
Timothy J Isom REG WD9HDQ Northfield
Arthur Rew ASC N0EX Dennison

Old Business:
UHF Link/band plan committee: Still need to document Jay Maynard and Ben Franske will work on it.

New Business:

Propagation software: Allow use of other software packages. Need to work on a regional standards with surrounding states.
Ben Frankse will work on coordination policy language

Bylaw amendment: Published in spring 2020 newsletter. Amend Article VIII by adding a new section:

G. If, in the judgment of a majority of the Officers, conditions beyond the control of the Council are expected to preclude holding a regular meeting of the Council in person, they may authorize holding the meeting by electronic or other means. Any meeting so held must provide for all attendees to at least be able to hear each other, to seek and be granted the floor, and to cast votes on questions raised. If a contested election is held during a meeting so held, it must be done by means that preserve all attendees' ballot secrecy while allowing verification that ballots may only be cast by Regular Members in good standing or the User Liaison. Any action taken at a meeting so held is valid without needing ratification at a subsequent in-person meeting. Except in case of emergency, any decision to hold a meeting by electronic or other means instead of in person must be made in time for the regular notification of the meeting prescribed by paragraph D of this Article.

Motion made to accept, seconded. Motion passed 12-0

Bylaw amendment: Published in spring 2020 newsletter. Amend Article II, paragraph D by striking out the words "of the regular member organizations" and inserting the words "of the Regular Members present and voting".

D. One **User Liaison Member** shall be selected, by simple majority of the ~~regular member organizations~~ of the Regular Members present and voting, to represent the FCC licensed Amateur Radio operators that use repeater stations

Silent Key policy: Jerry Dorf, N0FWG will work on a proposal to present at spring meeting. Please submit ideas

Election of officers:

Motions to accept nominations for each office was made, the incumbent's agreed to continue serving.

Jay Maynard K5ZC Chairman, Ben Franske K0BEN Vice Chair, Jerry Dorf N0FWG Secretary Treasurer and Matt Holden K0BBC as user liaison. Appointments Jerry Dorf, N0FWG Frequency Coordinator and Allen Knutson WB0ZKB as technical committee chair/

Spring Meeting: non metro location, Brainard hamfest if COVID19 conditions allow for in person meetings.
Online may also occur with notice as defined in the bylaws.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:15 AM

Jerry Dorf, N0FWG
Secretary Treasurer
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