

Texas VHF-FM Society
Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday Afternoon, August 6, 2011
Austin, Texas Summerfest

Directors Present:

Royce Taylor - KA5OHJ
Larry Essary – K5XG
Frank Hormann – KM5I
Billy McDonald – AK5DX
Gerald Richmond - N5ZXJ
Andy Carstarphen WY5V
Patrick Soileau ND5C
Lee Nolan – WB5UEN
Brett Nolan – KC5NER

President Royce Taylor called the meeting to order.

The first order of business was to elect new officers for the next year. Taylor called for nominations for president. Andy Carstarphen - WY5V, was nominated. There was a motion made and a 2nd received to elected Carstarphen president by acclimation for the term of 2011- 2012. The motion passed.

President Carstarphen took over as chair of the meeting.

Nominations were made for Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer and the following directors were elected by acclimation for 2011 to 2012:

Vice-president Billy McDonald – AK5DX
Secretary Larry Essary – K5XG
Treasurer Frank Hormann KM5I
NEWS Editor Royce Taylor - KA5OHJ

Vice-president McDonald stated that the next Board of Directors Meeting is at Belton. McDonald asked Secretary Essary to acquire the use of the meeting room at the La Quinta hotel for the Belton Board of Directors meeting to be held on October 1 at 1 PM.

NEWS Editor Taylor stated that the Society had been asked to attend Radio Fiesta in San Antonio and hold the Society's Winter meeting at that time and location. Vice-president McDonald made a motion to hold our Winter meeting at Radio Fiesta in San Antonio on January 14, 2012 with the Board meeting at 10 AM and the membership meeting at 1 PM. There was a 2nd. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made and received a 2nd to hold the Society's Summer meeting at Summerfest in Austin, Texas, in 2012. The motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion about the Society's Board meeting for March 2012 and the Society's Board meeting and Forum at HamCom in June 2012.

There was a discussion of name badges for new board members.

Secretary Essary pointed out that this meeting is the time to appoint a State Frequency Coordinator (SFC). Essary stated that the SFC appointment is by the president. Essary asked president Carstarphen to consider continuing with Paul Baumgardner. President Carstarphen said he would discuss the appointment with Paul Baumgardner after the meeting.

Essary, Chairman of the Ad Hoc committee presented the Ad Hoc Committee report. Essary stated that his goal as a director of the Society is and has always been to move the Society forward. Essary's goal for the Society is to restore the image of the Society and to make it once again the one-stop location for technical information for Texas hams. Essary stated that the Ad Hoc Committee was seeking input and discussing ways to move the Society forward and restore its image.

There was discussion of the Society's existing web site. Secretary Essary said he was willing to develop an HTML front end to interface with RFProjector. There was additional discussion of looking at off premise hosting of RFProjector.

NEWS editor Taylor stated that he wanted to get out the next issue of the NEWS by Sept 15. Taylor set a dead line of Sept 1 for submission from all directors and staff.

The next item was the Technical Committee chairman. Kent Britain had been appointed chairman at the directors meeting earlier in the day. President Carstarphen asked Mike Chittenden to serve on the technical committee.

President Carstarphen asked Matt Stennett, Mark Stennett, and Eric Schmidt to continue on the Database Committee.

Frank Hormann presented the financial status report to the board. There was discussion about if the secondary checking account for PayPal had been established.

A statement was made to follow through on the vested member poll required by the two motions (Splinter channels & 5 year moratorium on 2 meter simplex band plan) that were table in the general meeting.

There was discussion regarding the ending of the 2 meter digital STAs. The coordination arm of the Society will be responsible for notifying the trustees of the cancelation of their coordinations.

There was a motion made and a 2nd received to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned