

Texas VHF-FM Society Summer General Membership Meeting 8/4/2012

Meeting called to order at 13:20 by President Louis Petit

Motion called for to approve the minutes from the Winter General Meeting, the Board Meeting at Belton, the Board meeting at Hamcom which has been posted online for some time. Motion Seconded.

Comment from Benny-NU5P to report that the posted minutes did not contain hardly any information about the lengthy discussion on the use of D-star in 2M (This item goes back to the previous Winter Meeting).
Vote called - motion passed.

Call for Treasurers Report

Society accounts - Checking \$5,614.87 - PayPal \$1,187.12 - Life member account - \$33,401.00

Call for directors report - Frank - call for audit - books audited back to 2006. No issues were found.

Director Lablanc reported briefly on his background and asked for continued support for re-election.

Director Lay had no report.

Director Kenworthy had no report.

Director Taylor gave a short note about his health issues and also asked for support in the election.

Old Business

Reminder of Chris Boone's proposal as to digital modes. Director Lay read the motion to the room.

Ex-president Carstapin gave a quick note about being president at the time and apologized to the meeting for not making sure the proposal was followed through.

??? made a comment about adjacent channel interference to user radios and concern that PL does not provide for proper protection of the channel and should require better guard band to prevent interference.

With no other comments, discussion was closed - item will be published and vested members will now be polled.

New Business

An item was brought up about the bill presented by Larry for legal services.

The president mentioned that the expenditure was not in the budget and not approved by the board prior to being spent.

Rich N10Z asked what the board - were we intending to ignore it or ask for an up or down vote.

President Petit indicated that we would poll the attendee's for their feeling.

Question about what service was provided.

After discussion - Moved by Matt Stennet K5RYN that the board deny payment. Seconded by - ??

W5FUA, N10Z made comments and agreed with the motion.

Question called - and passed.

Motion to deny payment - all for except for 1 no.

N10Z - Rich asked for confirmation of the members in the room.

Director Lay walked around and counted 69 people in the room. Hands were checked for non-members.

there were 8 hands raised indicating they knew they were not members.

That leaves 61 likely members present.

Motion made to validate the membership status before director voting takes place and a count of valid members

be posted on the web site.

Motion passed

Treasurer Horman has a number of items that need paying(all are budgeted items):

1. Audit/books review (\$640?)
2. Liability Insurance - VP was sent a check registered mail, but never picked up the item
Treasurer Sent a personal check to ensure policy continued.
3. Mailbox fee (\$75.00) Went on Fank's credit card

Motion made by Nancy - The all expenditures taken care of by Frank be reimbursed today.

Seconded by Rich - N10Z

Motion passed 60-1

Kent Britain - Chair of the technical committee brought up to provide The Walt Weiderhold Technical

Award to Matt Stennett for his work on RF Projector.

Treasurer mentioned that it was needed to provide members with Budget information.
Budget presented from working documents.
Discussion of budget.

Moved by Stan-KA5IID and seconded to increase po box fee to \$200 -
Questioned call by Royce
Voice vote to approve the budget - approved.
Preisident mentioned that the budget will be tweaked by the new board.

Meeting adjourned to vest members present for the directors ballot.

Metting re-started at 14:40

Motion made to send the current VP and Secretary certified notice that their term has ended and that they need to return all Society property and cease and desist acting in any way in the name of the Society.

Moved by N5PAB and Seconded by W5JOT
Motion passed enthusiastically.

Eric-KA5WMY - Motion to provide thanks the Summerfest committee and to accept the offer to have the Summer Meeting in 2013 in Austin. Noted that we do not at this time have a Winter meeting - Royce mentioned that San Antonio will likely host - he will verify and get back to the board.

Motion passed

Comment by Benny-NU5P that he is pretty disgusted with the constant bickering and extensive expenses over the years. He would like this organization to move back to it's purpose.
Preseident made comments about his past with the Society and the processes involved and how it have saved even more grief.

Election process started

As we were kicked out of the room as the vote count took place, the election results were announced in the hall to those remaining. General membership meeting then adjourned about 15:40 and those elected retired to a new room for the initial board meeting of this term to elect officers.

Submitted by G. Michael Lay - N5PTN (Temporary scribe)

