

**Florida Repeater Council
Meeting Minutes
Melbourne Hamfest
Saturday October 11, 2008**

Open Meeting commenced at 12:03

1. President's opening announcements
2. WA8ZZC announced he was representing WB4AKA repeater. Directors discussed if we could accept him as an official representative of WB4AKA. Acceptance was granted. WA8ZZC stated that they were being interfered with and that they had sent Certified mail to several of the offending repeaters officials. Some of the mail was returned. Issue was deferred until Business meeting.
3. N0LO Ralph Tullo inquired about DSTAR 1.2GHz coordination's. Issue deferred to Business meeting.
4. President called for additional comments. Nothing heard.

Open Meeting Adjourned at 12:10

Board Meeting Commenced at 12:20

1. Roll Call- D2 absent (Secretary filling in for D2), D5 absent.
2. Secretary's reading of previous minutes waived.
3. Treasury Report-Balance \$9,325.60. Report accepted.
4. Database Manager Report
1,370 coordination's in database
ARRL record update due 1/7/09
5. Director Reports
D1 - No open issues.
D2 - No open issues.
D3 - A few new applications submitted.
D4 - WB4AKA coordination issue.
D5 - Absent.
D6 - No open issues.
D7 - No open issues. Discussion about using our web site for status and updates.
D8 - No open issues.

OLD BUSINESS

6. D4 2M rebanding plan. Most 2M repeaters may have to move frequency. Do we know if older equipment can move? Motion to table until Orlando meeting. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Automation of Renewal Process/Automation of Web Site Interaction
D4 stated that a few volunteers had surfaced in the past but there was no follow through. D4 stated that he has someone now that could do the programming. 20 minute discussion followed concerning database specifics. D4 stated he will interface with the programmer. D3 stated we may need to formally RFQ this and bid the work to a contractor. D6 wants all Directors to have input.
D4 motion to create temporary committee to detail requirements. Motion passed with 1 No vote.

8. D6 to donate microphone and amp for us to use at meeting. D6 to give these to Secretary.
9. Directors Doing Updates on Behalf of Repeater Trustees
Discussion followed where it was agreed that the Director must be in contact with the Trustee, verify that all the details are correct, and that the repeater must be online.
D6 motion to approve. D1 2nd motion. Motion passed with 1 No vote.
10. Proposal to hold next Annual Meeting at Tampa Hamfest in December 2008.
We need at least 60 days notice so we can only have a workshop in Tampa.
D4 motion for President to select new annual meeting location. Motion passed unanimously.
11. D6 Motion to Amend By-Laws as follows:
 - 7.1 Annual Directors Meeting**
 - (b)** Notice shall be given to general membership at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual meetings. The actual form of the notice is to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Notice will be posted on the FRC Website.
Motion passed with 1 abstention.
12. Proposal that Orlando and Melbourne Hamfests be Open Forums, not official FRC Meetings.
D4 asked the President to develop a plan to have the Director's Meetings and Annual Meeting at forums other than Hamfests.
D6 Motion to have Board Meeting in Tampa during Tampa Hamfest.
Motion Passed unanimously.
13. D6 proposal to have Council meetings away from Hamfest site.
Proposal dismissed in lieu of item 12.
14. D6 proposal that 147.060 coordination in D1 not use 103.5 tone per coordination request.
Coordination request had already been granted.
Dismissed.
15. D6 proposal to change Policy 8c to read "may not be" from "will not be". This change would allow us to consider uncoordinated repeaters during the coordination process.
D4 motion to table until later in the Business Meeting. Passed.
Later in the meeting...
Motion to accept passed with D4 opposed.
16. D6 Proposal to revisit the purpose and direction of the Coordination Committee.
D6 motion to dissolve the Coordination Committee. D1 2nd
Motion passed with 2 opposed.

17. D7 proposal to protect repeater coordination's that have expired or were never coordinated, but currently operating.
Item discussed. Refer to Item 15.
18. D7 proposal "I would like to add to the agenda a statement on a new repeater coordination. I have monitored the frequency with an antenna at the 50 foot or higher level and no repeaters were heard other than distant ones". See item 19.
19. Introduced item not on agenda.
Reintroduce 60 day conditional period per retired policy 17c, as long all Director's approve putting the conditional repeater on the air.
D7 Motion to approve. D2 2nd.
Motion failed with 3 to 3 vote.
20. D3 proposal to Change Coordination Period.
Discussion to do annual survey with automatic de-coordination if Trustee misses updates 2 years in a row.
Motion to add this as a requirement to the new database system.
Motion passed with 1 abstention and 1 no vote.
21. D1 proposal to bring back rotating committee members.
Dismissed.
22. D1 question as to who are the members of the Coordination Committee.
Dismissed because Coordination Committee has been abolished.
23. D1 question if the FRC Business meetings should be open to the public or closed.
Agreed meetings should remain open.
24. D6 Proposal to reverse the WB4AKA Coordination.
D4 noted the Coordination Committee used then current policy to approve the coordination. All attending Director's at last Melbourne meeting voted to accept this coordination. Coordinator recommends
D1 motion D6 2nd to rescind WB4AKA coordination and reinstate Clermont and St Petersburg coordination's.
Motion passed. D4 abstained.

D1 Motion D7 2nd to make every effort to find WB4AKA another frequency.
Motion passed with one abstention.
25. Not on Agenda
D1 motions to have all Directors acknowledge receipt of all correspondence generated from the website by radio amateurs. D6 2nd.
Motion Passed. 1 opposed.
26. D1 Proposal to present tape recording of Melbourne 2007 meeting.
Dismissed – not needed.
27. D1 proposal regarding similar issues to WB4AKA coordination. See item 28.

28. Not on Agenda.
D4 motion to reverse all coordination's over the past 2 years that were approved due to repeaters based on expired coordination's. D1 2nd.
Motion failed. D1 voted yes.

29. President Kassis discussed the Mathew Bush, KA9RIX, letter to FCC where Matt exonerated the FRC of responsibility for the re-coordination of 145.390 based on FCC guidance. Resident Kassis hopes that KA9RIX withdraws his letter.

Board Meeting Adjourned at 14:40.

Minutes Submitted by:
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Secretary FRC