

Two Meter Area Spectrum Management Association
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Orange, CA 92868

TASMA General Meeting Minutes

These Minutes Are Not Approved

Saturday, August 9, 2008

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Walnut Library
21155 La Puente Rd.
Walnut, CA 91789

Attendees:

Members:

NO6B	Bob Dengler
KG6GI	Howard Brown
KC6ACL	Pat Finke
W6CPA	Ken Chafin
KC6JAR	Leon Brown
AD6NH	Phillip Pacier
W1NMZ	Dick Ertman
KD6AFA	Jose A. Batrez
KF6ZAF	Craig Holmes
K6CF	Chris Kielich

Guests:

None

1. Registration.
2. Meeting called to order at 10:30AM by Bob NO6B who declared that a quorum was present.
3. The members present introduced themselves
4. The minutes of the April 5, 2008 General Meeting was reviewed. On a motion by Dick, W1NMZ the corrected minutes were approved on a vote of 9-0-0.
5. Howard KG6GI summarized our correspondence at about 75 pieces of mail compared to about 275 at the same time last year and 80

the previous year. Last year we conducted a membership drive which added about 200 items of correspondence.

6. The National Frequency Coordination Council (NFCC) report was presented by Howard. There was little e-mail correspondence since Dayton. At Dayton the majority of the discussion concerned the approach that the coordination groups were taking to identify frequencies for the newer digital radio systems (e.g. D-STAR). Also discussed was the FCC presentation at Dayton and the fact that the FCC had been formally asked by one of the packet groups to define the meaning of "Repeater" as defined by the regulations.
7. A short discussion took place regarding the other SoCal coordination organizations (i.e. 220SMA and SCRRBA). Bob NO6B indicated that he had heard that SCRBBA intended to conduct a meeting this year in October (the last such meeting took place in 2005). Bob also indicated that there was some reason to believe that SCRBBA might be able to approve 440-450 MHz RFCs in the near future.
8. Bob Dengler presented a chart describing a general membership recommendation to adopt regional (e.g. county oriented) CTCSS Tone Standardization Plan for open repeaters (see Appendix). The plan would assign CTCSS tones to open repeaters based on their location (e.g. Los Angeles County would use 100.0 Hz except for those cases where that is not practical for technical reasons).

Bob suggested that this recommendation would assist visitors to Southern California to make use of local open repeaters, specifically if they forgot to bring a repeater guide.
9. A discussion of Board nominees for 2009 was held.

Bob Dengler expressed a willingness to serve for 2009. Ken, W6CPA nominated Bob Dengler for Chairman.

Pat Finke expressed a willingness to serve for 2009. Dick, W1NMZ nominated Pat Finke for the Vice Chairman role.

The Board has been advised that Steve Early has schedule conflicts with his obligations as the ARRL San Diego Section Manager, Phil, AD6NH indicated a willingness to serve and was nominated for the position of Secretary.

Ken, W6CPA indicated a willingness to serve as Treasurer with the understanding that he would be unavailable for meetings until after April, Ken was nominated for the position of Treasurer as was Steve Grasha, the current incumbent.

Bob, NO6B made a case that Steve Early might be able to find the time to serve as Board Member @ Large as there were no fixed duties. He was nominated to the Board position as was Howard, KG6GI, the current incumbent.

Thus the nominated list is:

Office	Nominated	Nominated By
Chairman	Bob Dengler, NO6B	Ken, W6CPA
Vice-Chairman	Pat Finke, KC6ACL	Dick, W1NMZ
Secretary	Phillip Pacier, AD6NH	Ken, W6CPA
Treasurer	Steven Grasha, WA6ARC	Ken, W6CPA
"	Ken Chafin, W6CPA	Leon, KC6JAR
Board Member @ Large	Howard Brown, KG6GI	Phillip, AD6NH
"	Steve Early, AD6VI	Ken, W6CPA

10. Phil, AD6NH expressed a willingness to assume the role of newsletter editor and mail manager.

11. Scheduling of Annual Dues - Treasurer Steve Grasha has recommended that annual dues become due on a specific calendar day. This would mark the beginning of a TASMA fiscal year. The basis for this recommendation was to assist the membership in remembering when their dues are due and to concentrate the renewal process for the Treasurer to a single point each year. Based upon Steve's recommendation, the Board reviewed the Bylaws and arrived at the conclusion that the Bylaws would have to be changed to implement the recommendation.

After review of the Bylaws, the Board approved a recommendation to the general membership to make changes to **ARTICLE VI - DUES** of the bylaws as shown below:

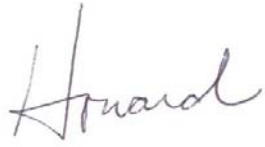
- a. "The dues for membership in the Association shall be recommended by the Officers of the Association, which shall be due and payable upon application for membership and shall be due *at the beginning of each fiscal year* thereafter. In the absence of action on the part of the Officers, the dues are established at Ten Dollars (\$10) per year. The Officers may recommend a change to the dues at any time by formal vote and the change shall be voted on at the General meeting. If approved, it shall become immediately effective. (Amended 4/9/2005)
- b. Failure to remit dues within ninety (90) days after ~~expiration~~ *the end of membership each fiscal year*, shall result in the member being dropped from ~~the~~ membership. Any person so dropped from membership may seek reinstatement to membership only upon resubmitting of an application for membership and the membership dues to the Secretary of the Association. (Amended 10/27/00)
- c. *TASMA shall adopt a fiscal year beginning on 1 January of each year and extending through 31 December."*

Note: The changes are denoted by strikethrough's and italicized font.

Phil, AD6NH proposed, and Dick, W1NMZ seconded a motion to include this issue in the agenda for the next General meeting.

12. Bob, NO6B provided a presentation of his recent trip to the Williams, AZ Hamfest.
13. Jose, KD6AFA advised the group that the Mexican hams, represented by the FMRE, are planning a ham convention in Tijuana during mid October. Juan Tellez has additional information about this meeting. Jose proposed that TASMA be represented at the convention. Travel to Mexico, including permission to carry radios was discussed. Jose will provide additional information to the Board which will be shared with the membership.
14. Next General Meeting to be December 6, 2007 at this same place (Walnut Library).
15. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Howard". The signature is written in a dark ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted".

By Howard Brown, KG6GI, Board Member At large for Steve Early, AD6VI,
Secretary