

**Two Meter Area Spectrum Management Association  
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Orange, CA 92868**

**TASMA Board Meeting Minutes**

**These Minutes Are Not Approved**

**Saturday, November 8, 2009**

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Murray Community Center  
24932 Veterans Way  
Mission Viejo, CA 92692

Attendees:

Board Members (Current and Retiring):

NO6B	Bob Dengler	President
KC6ACL	Pat Finke	Vice President
KG6GI	Howard Brown	Retired Member-at-Large
K6CDK	Suzan LaDuke	Secretary
KA6TBF	David Elder	Member-at-Large

Guests:

KC6FNA	Jeannette Finke
NJ6N	Brian Roode Noah Massengil

1. Meeting called to order at 9:20AM by Bob Dengler, NO6B.
2. Technical Subcommittee Business
  - a. Louis Frank - KG6FCT has resigned from the Technical Subcommittee. Lou is spending much time out of the area, in Northern CA as he has two residences, and finds that he is not sufficiently available to continue the duties required for Technical Subcommittee membership. The Board thanks Lou for his dedicated service and contribution to TASMA in the past.
  - b. Rick Freidel - KB6OT has applied for Technical Subcommittee membership. Rick is a retired engineer with the technical skills and equipment available to accomplish the frequency monitoring

functions which are part of the Technical Committee member duties.

- c. Brian Roode - NJ6N has applied for Technical Subcommittee membership. Brian is an IT Specialist at UC Irvine and active member of SOARA. Brian also has the technical skills and availability to accomplish the frequency monitoring functions which are part of the Technical Committee member duties.
  - d. Suzan LaDuke moved that the board proceed with ratification of the above changes to the Technical Subcommittee membership. Pat Finke seconded the motion. Ratification passed For=5, Against=0.
  - e. Bob Dengler reported that there have been problems securing verification of the location for the Technical Subcommittee meeting. This has been discussed with the Dan Lechliter and this week Dan verified that he has received a confirmed reservation for the Red Cross location. Confirmation in the past has not been forthcoming so this is a good step. Alternative locations were discussed but are not acceptable to Dan Lechliter and Matt Lechliter. As long as reservation confirmation is forthcoming for each meeting the Red Cross location is acceptable to the Subcommittee membership.
3. Newsletter
- a. Dave Elder is constructing the Annual edition of the Newsletter for membership distribution. Because there is to be a Ballot included in the Newsletter, it is critical that the Newsletter is distributed according to the ByLaws, two weeks prior to the Annual Membership meeting scheduled for December 5, 2009.
  - b. Bob Dengler provided his article for the Newsletter to Dave at the board meeting.
  - c. The 70cm Coordination Working Group report was submitted to Dave by Ken Chafin via email.
  - d. A Motion to Direct was also provided by Ken Chafin for inclusion on the December Ballot.
  - e. The Newsletter processes and structure were reviewed in detail by the board members. The Newsletter will include the

entire text of both the Motion to Direct and the Motion to Change the Bylaws related to 70cm Repeater Coordination. The Ballot will refer to these texts but will contain a statement for the voters in a Yes/No format similar to that found in current State or Federal ballot measures, frequently beginning with the word "Shall...".

- f. Howard Brown will develop the 2010 TASMA Meeting schedule to be included in the Annual Newsletter.

#### 4. 70cm Coordination Working Group

- a. Bob Dengler and approximately 10 TASMA members attended the recent annual SCRRBA membership meeting. Bob stated that they are a very large organization compared to TASMA with several hundred members. TASMA is outnumbered in every way. However we have the ability to be more effective in this coordination because we function out in the open. Acceptance is another matter, however. We would need the support as well as additional members to gain acceptance as a coordinating organization for 70cm frequencies. The question becomes which comes first - Change the TASMA Bylaws and put the appropriate organizational structure in place to support the function, or Obtain the needed acceptance, support and membership and then develop the TASMA structure?

#### 5. Documents Update

- a. Dave Elder has updated the Membership Application form with the July Breakpoint information.
- b. Dave Elder and the Board discussed the format and content of the Ballot for December. Dave will develop a draft of the ballot and distribute it with the Newsletter Draft.
- c. Suzan will provide the updated Bylaws text in the next couple of weeks as discussed in the prior Board meeting.

#### 6. Board Meeting Minutes from 07/11/2009

- a. Pat Finke moved the minutes be approved; Dave Elder seconded the motion. The minutes were approved: For=5; Against=0

#### 7. Website Updates

- a. Howard Brown pointed out that many of the items on the TASMA web site still indicate that they are in "Draft" state. The website needs to be reviewed and brought current.
- b. Suzan LaDuke will review the website general membership documents and requested drafts will be finalized.
- c. Bob Dengler will review the website documents for the Technical Subcommittee section and update that portion.
- d. Brian Roode indicated that with the current website, our Webmaster may not have the security required to update specific documents as they have 'owners'. If Bob originally updated the website he "owns" that portion and she may not be able to perform the needed updates. We will have to coordinate the updates requested to be successful.

#### 8. ARRL Repeater Directory

- a. Howard Brown reminded us that it is time for us to submit the TASMA data of coordinated repeaters to ARRL for their directory. Howard has the ability to submit the data (password, etc.) and is willing to do this but does not have the data. Bob Dengler will provide the data and Howard will complete this task.

#### 9. Projector Acquisition

- a. Bob Dengler brought documentation for three different projectors for discussion. He had a preferred item which is \$699.00. The Board supports his projector selection. Approval for the purchase was decided at the last Board meeting.

#### 10. Website Automation

- a. Howard Brown has been noting requirements which he believes should be part of the TASMA website automation project. He has also been corresponding with several members of NARCC regarding the software which they use. Many of their features and functions are automated as Howard envisions TASMA needs. Our functions are archaic, primarily paper-based. The communication from Tim Sivils of NARCC indicated that the schemas which NARCC uses could be made available for use by

TASMA, however their system has been developed to fit the specific needs and policy decisions of their group. These may not meet the needs of TASMA. The Board review Mr. Sivils description and the consensus was that we should develop our own system using tools with which our membership is familiar.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted

By Suzan LaDuke, K6CDK, Secretary