



## **Minutes of SEMARC Board Meeting of February 9, 2021 (Approved – March 9, 2021)**

This was a virtual online meeting by Webex.

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by President Ryc Lyden KDØZWM.

In attendance: Ryc Lyden KDØZWM, Dave Larson KEØHAL, Dick Roberts NØUC, Skip Jackson KSØJ, Joe Hibberd W3QLC, Dave Blume KDØIRF, and Dave Schultz KBØSED. Total present was 7.

Board meeting minutes of December 8, 2020 were approved as corrected. (MSA: Larson, Blume, all)

Treasurer's Report by past treasurer Roberts:

1. The VE funds have been separated from the general funds.
2. January ending balance is \$12,663.14.
3. Roberts noted the need to delete former members from the bank records and add Schultz, Blume and Franz. Roberts will coordinate.

Announcements:

1. Metro Skywarn training will be online this year. Hibberd will send a notice to all members.
2. AERO 101 class will be online on February 22. Thirty-six have registered.

Public Service Committee discussion:

1. John Regan KAØHYR has resigned as committee chair and Washington County ARES emergency coordinator. Lyden will offer the chair before next meeting. The Section Emergency Manager will need to appoint a replacement EC. Contact Lyden with suggestions. SARA will be getting a plaque for John in appreciation of his service as EC, and has asked SEMARC to donate 50% of the cost. Donation of \$15.00 (MSA Hibberd, Larson, all).
2. American Red Cross drill will be May 8. Winlink drills are now monthly.
3. Lyden stated MN VOAD groups have no common protocols or frequencies to communicate with each other. He will be making a presentation to VOAD leaders to establish a weekly or monthly Statewide Emergency Communications Net, including American Red Cross, ARES, SATERN, Civil Air Patrol and Disaster Response Communications.

VE Report – Larson for Franz

January 16: 9 candidates, 7 passed Tech, 1 passed Tech & General, 1 passed Amateur Extra (Larson).

Activities Report

Blume will give full report at the membership meeting. Field Day is June 26-27. A fall event will be held. Lyden noted no response to his President's Challenge. Hibberd will resend the announcement to all members.

Old Business

1. Program Committee chair is vacant. Schultz will request Regan to make a presentation on go-kits for the February membership meeting.
2. Club equipment. Schultz has a list of equipment, but it should be updated and confirmed all items are included. A check-out procedure should be developed. The tuner needs a new meter;

Roberts has contacted MFJ and is waiting for their response. Lyden will contact the Cottage Grove fire chief to ask about a storage space.

3. Fireside Chats. Roberts suggested holding video chats to maintain membership involvement. Lyden will discuss starting first Tuesday Fireside Chats at the next membership meeting.

#### New Business

1. 2-meter Wednesdays. A replacement net control station is needed for the 5th Wednesday of a month. Roberts will fill in until a permanent replacement steps forward.
2. Trustees. One of 3 trustee positions is vacant. The By-laws allow the president to appoint to fill a vacant elected position. Lyden will appoint a 3rd trustee.
3. By-Laws. The By-laws were reviewed as required by the By-laws, Article IX. Review must be done every 2 years.
4. President Lyden re-appointed all committee chairs and the club license trustee for 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. (MSA: Blume, Schultz, all)

Respectfully submitted,  
Joe Hibberd W3QLC, Secretary