

## Minutes of the SEMARC Membership Meeting, July 25, 2023 (Approved August 29, 2023)

The meeting was held at Christ Redeemer Church in Cottage Grove MN. The meeting was called to order at 7:25 PM by President Dave Larson, KEØHAL. Members and guests in attendance were members Dave Blume KDØIRF, Dave Finley KA8VHF, Dan Franz WDØGUP, Chuck Hanson NAØL, Bill Heyderhoff KDØMHW, Joe Hibberd, W3QLC, Paul Kanikula KF9CP, Dave Larson KEØHAL, Dwayne Lovelady NØWUE, Brian McInerney NØBM, John Regan KAØHYR, Dick Roberts NØUC, Dave Schultz KBØSED, and guest Andrew Gotham KFØGEW.

Minutes of the May 30 meeting were approved as distributed. (MSA: McInerney, Finley, all)

Treasurer's Report: Blume reported the fund balance beginning May was \$16,025.21, ending \$16,055.21. The fund balance beginning June was \$16,055.21; ending \$16,055.21. Both were bank reconciled.

President's Report: Larson reported W1AW/Ø will be in Minnesota August 2-8. Members are encouraged to sign up to host.

### Committee Reports:

1. VE: Franz reported the June session had 1 candidate who passed Amateur Extra. The July session had 2 candidates who passed Technician.
2. Member services: McInerney reported new members were told about club activities.
3. Program: McInerney reported tonight's program will be presented by Kanikula and Hanson about Winlink. The August program will be presented by Franz about building tape measure beams. Invitations have been sent for a September program.
4. ARES: Hibberd reported 11 ARES members received certificates of appreciation from the Lake St. Croix Beach city council for responding to the April flooding event. He also reported 12 ARES members participated in the two (2) REP drills at Park High School.

Operating events: Blume reported Field Day was the most successful event for the club with 1081 QSOs and over 3500 points. The results will be published in QST in a few months. McInerney reported POTA events will be held at Spring Lake Park Reserve in Hastings on August 17 and September 16.

### Old Business:

1. Franz reported Christ Redeemer Church will allow the club to use the church through August. Beginning in September club activities will be held at St. Luke Lutheran Church. He will be the sole contact between the church and the club.
2. Roberts reported on the progress toward reactivating our repeater operations on the city water tower. Negotiations are underway with AT&T to install our 2-meter antenna to prevent interference.

### New Business:

1. Larson reported the location for the Minnesota State Convention has not been confirmed. The organizing committee invited Minnesota clubs to make a donation for operating expenses. A motion was made to donate \$200.00 once a location is confirmed. (MSA: Roberts, McInerney, all)
2. Larson reported the club banner is worn and needs to be replaced. Motion to purchase a new banner with solid material for a cost up to \$150.00. (MSA: Blume, McInerney, all)

3. McInerney reported Blume's 80-10 end-fed antenna is missing after Field Day. Motion to reimburse Blume \$186.81. (MSA: Larson, McInerney, all) If the antenna is found it will be donated to the club.

Announcement: Roberts reported Skip Jackson KSØJ is feeling better and appreciates all of the help he has received from club members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM. (MSA: Blume, Schultz, all)

The program was a demonstration about using Winlink presented by Kanikula and Hanson.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joe Hibberd W3QLC  
Secretary