

Minutes of the SEMARC Membership Meeting, August 29, 2023 (Approved September 26, 2023)

The meeting was held at Christ Redeemer Church in Cottage Grove MN. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Acting Vice President Dick Roberts NØUC. Members and guests in attendance were members Dave Blume KDØIRF, Jim Boyd KCØQCO, Gary Esler WKØX, Dan Franz WDØGUP, Joe Hibberd W3QLC, Paul Lauritsen N2VZV, Dwayne Lovelady NØWUE, Dale Mathisen NØVXH, George Power KØGCP, John Regan KAØHYR, Dick Roberts NØUC, Dave Schultz KBØSED, and **new members** Blake Glewwe KFØNOD, Kelton Glewwe KFØNOI, Bruce MacDonald KFØNOK, and Duane Voy AEØVQ,.

Minutes of the July 25 meeting were approved as distributed. (MSA: Blume Regan, all)

Treasurer's Report: Blume reported the fund balance beginning July was \$16,055.21, ending \$16,135.21. Bank reconciled.

President's Report: Roberts reported on behalf of President Dave Larson KEØHAL that he invites all members to attend and participate in all meetings and events. Also, the new banner has been made, but not received yet.

Committee Reports:

1. Repeater: Roberts reported the club and the city of Cottage Grove need to settle the proposed leases for the repeater locations.
2. VE: Franz reported the August session had 8 candidates who took a total of 18 elements.
3. Program: Roberts reported tonight's program will be presented by Franz about building tape measure beams.
4. ARES: Hibberd reported Simulated Emergency Test (SET) will use the June 28 REP exercise as the SET. Regan will submit the report.

Operating events: Roberts reported the POTA event held at Spring Lake Park Reserve in Hastings on August 17 was successful. Three (3) mobile stations were used. The next POTA event will be held at the same location on September 16. It will also be all mobile stations.

Old Business:

Franz reported beginning in September club activities will be held at St. Luke Lutheran Church.

New Business:

Roberts called for nominations for the vacant position of Vice President. None were made. According to the By-Laws this item will be carried forward to the September meeting.

Announcement: Blume reported Winter Field Day will be held January 27-28, 2024 at Cottage Grove Fire Station #3.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM. (MSA: Esler, Schultz, all)

The program was a demonstration about building portable beam antennas and fox hunting presented by Franz.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Hibberd W3QLC
Secretary