

**Milwaukee Repeater Club
Board Meeting
February 17,2002**

Location: The home of Gary N9UUR.

Present: Gary N9UUR, Mike N9NPB, Tom KB9RLB, Napoleon NØXXL and Janet KB9ZAG.

Guest: Warren K9IZV and Bob KB9YCR

Meeting called to order by club president Napoleon, NØXXL at 2:10pm. Welcome to the newest board member Janet, KB9ZAG.

1. **Club Meeting Dates:** The meeting dates for membership meetings are as follows: Jan.26th at Oak Creek, March 16th at Fortis 501 W. Michigan Ave., May 29th at Mayfair, June 15th at Oak Creek(Field Day planning meeting), July 31st at Mayfair and September 14th at Oak Creek. Janet, KB9ZAG needs to get meeting dates and places for an October membership meeting and a November critique meeting for the swapfest. Possible meeting location might be the work place of NØXXL. Janet needs to contact the county parks for a club picnic date. Will also need a date and place for the club Holiday Party in December. It was explained to Janet that the club pays for tables and tickets to hamfest that we attend and the park fee for the picnic.
2. **MRC Mail Box:** Mike, N9NPB, gave his mailbox key to the new club president Napoleon, NØXXL. The mailbox is located at the main post office in downtown Milwaukee.
3. **Financial Report:** Motion made by KB9RLB and seconded by N9NPB to allow the treasurer, Gary N9UUR, to spend to the level of the 2002 membership approved budget. Motion Passed.
- 3A. **Swapfest:** A motion was made by KB9RLB and seconded by KB9ZAG to have the treasurer send a check in the amount of \$600.00 to the Waukesha Expo Center to reserve the halls for the MRC 2002 swapfest. Motion Passed.
- 3B. **Current Report:** Membership for 2002; Full Roster 269, Voters 166 and in suspension 103. Total of all accounts is \$15,062.34. Actual expendable funds are \$6,687.98. Gary, N9UUR, explained how we spend the money. All budgeted items need the Treasurer OK. Large non-budgeted items need the Boards approval first. All expenditures must have a receipt of some sort, be it written and itemized or a cash register receipt.
- 3C. **Quad Fold:** Gary, N9UUR, states the quad fold has been updated to show the new Board members.
 1. **Inventory:** Gary N9UUR and Mike N9NPB need to get an accurate inventory of all club equipment for the Insurance Company. Mike N9NPB also needs a copy of the insurance certificate to show that the club has liability coverage if something should happen when he is at the repeater sites.
 2. Gary, N9UUR, will send a letter to Froemming (tower owner) informing him of the new club officers and contact people.
 3. **Control Op:** N9UUR will be having a control op meeting, very soon, at the Fox Point police station on a Sunday afternoon. The controller telephone program has been fixed. There should no longer be a problem calling the MPD or others. Warren, K9IZV, has offered to try the system out to see if there are any problems.
 4. **Computer Net:** N9NPB and N9UUR have been working on a new preamble for the computer net. A copy was given to all who were present. Gary would like to see this used from now on.
 5. **Web Page:** The question was asked, Who gets the e-mail that is generated from the web site? Since there is a variety of subjects in the e-mail all e-mail from the web site will automatically go to the web master and N9UUR, N9NPB and NØXXL.
 6. **ARRL Affiliated Club:** Gary, N9UUR, has been working on the application process for the MRC to become an affiliated club with the ARRL. The completed application is done and a copy was given to the club president,NØXXL. Gary would like to take this to the membership at the next club meeting for their approval. Once we become an Affiliated Club the next step is to become a "Special Service Club." Gary is working on this process. In order to do this Napoleon, NØXXL, needs to make three appointments; Technical Specialist (possible N9NPB), Public Information Coordinator (possible KB9ZAG) and Official Emergency Station. These appointments need to go through the Milwaukee EC Jeananne N9VSV, the Wisconsin SM Don W9IXG in Madison.
 7. **Awards:** Bob, KB9YCR, is the 2002 Awards Committee Chairman. What are the duties of the Award

Committee? Bob brought with him to the Board meeting a proposal of what he thought the duties of the Awards Committee Chairman are. Discussion occurred and changes were made to the proposal. Bob is going to rewrite his proposal and e-mail it to the Board members. It was determined that the committee will do its own thing. The Board insists that two of the awards given out be the "Friendly One and Service. The committee will determine any other awards they wish to give out but must be within their budget. The awards budget for 2002 is at \$0.00 due to the amount spent on awards given out in January 2002. Warren, K9IZV, donated \$100.00 to the awards committee budget. The awards chairman is to contact the Board one month before the awards are given out for suggestions from the Board. The awards will be given out at the Holiday Party. **The 2002 Awards Committee will be Autonomous.** A motion was made by N9UUR seconded by KB9ZAG that all awards recipients must be applicants for club membership or a club member with the exception of the Friendly One. Four yes and one no. Motion passed.

8. **Activities:** The activity manager, KB9ZAG, needs to get presentations for at least three club meetings. The Board would like to see quality presentations at the club meetings.
9. **Technical:** Mike, N9NPB, was at the main site on Saturday the 16th. The repeater had problems and they were fixed. Mike handed out a drawing that shows what equipment is at the main site and explained how everything works. The VHF exciter was replaced and the cavities were retuned. The Northwest site is now being received better at main site. The main site and two of the link sites at the new frequencies. This is the frequency that the frequency coordinator wants the MRC machine to be on. The Board instructed N9NPB to put main site back to its original frequency. Mike says the oscillators are stable and he has no problem with having the link frequencies in the new range. The radios are working fine in this range. Mike recommends that we go to the new frequencies for the link sites. Mike, N9NPB, is still looking for a possible new main site location. He hopes this will happen this year.
10. Warren, K9IZV, told the Board that he is going to do CW on the 91 repeater on March 15th at twelve midnight for the MRAC special event.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10pm so that KB9YCR and K9IZV could leave in order for the Board to continue in a closed session.

The closed session started at 5:15pm. Mike, N9NPB stated that the club owns a circulator that is not being used. It is on loan to Don Michalski in Madison. Mike also stated that N9KWW had made a formal request to purchase this item before Don requested to use it. If this should help the Madison repeater, we will have to decide how we will handle the sale of this item. Other items were discussed

Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm.

Respectfully submitted
Tom Schulte, KB9RLB
MRC Secretary