

**Milwaukee Repeater Club
Board Meeting
September 9,2002**

Location: Janet KB9ZAG provided the hospitality.

Present: Napoleon NØXXL, Mike N9NPB, Gary N9UUR, Janet KB9ZAG and Tom AB9EK

Guest: Warren K9IZV

Meeting called to order at 7:25pm. The first order of business was a discussion on the resignation of Tom AB9EK from the MRC Board. Due to the past week's problems with control op's issues that caused Tom to resign, it is noted that the Control Op's and Board members are two separate issues and should remain as such. The issues will remain closed and Tom AB9EK will remain as the MRC secretary.

Control Op's Charter: Discussion on the control op's situation with Rod, KB9ECA. Gary, N9UUR hand out copies of the proposed Control Operators Charter, which will be voted on by the membership at the September 14th meeting. Long discussion occurred on this topic. Gary stated that the Op's would have to be content monitors. It is suggested that the Control Op's should send e-mail to the Head Op only, not to all members of the e-mail reflector. The Head Op will than post any traffic that he feels is important on the reflector. Before banning someone from the use of the MRC repeater, that person's name will be published in the club newsletter, thus notifying the MRC membership that they will have an opportunity to discuss the issues and then vote to ban that person from the repeater. Gary will make modifications to lines 54, 62, and 146 of the proposed Charter. The question was asked, should the Control Op's be known to the membership? The answer is yes and Gary will provide a list of the Op's to be published in the next newsletter. Napoleon, NØXXL still has issues with the Charter Document, not so much with the Document itself but with some of the content such as the Board being an approval authority. Napoleon stated the N9UUR will be Head Control Op for the rest of the year. A motion was made by Tom AB9EK and seconded by Mike N9NPB to except the Control Operators Charter with the modifications and take it to the MRC membership for their approval. Gary N9UUR abstained, Napoleon NØXXL opposed. Mike N9NPB, Janet KB9ZAG and Tom AB9EK vote yes. Motion passed.

Technical: Mike N9NPB stated that the main site primary exciter was removed. There might be a possible problem with the PL. Mike is unable to verify if the PL drops out or not. The backup exciter is now in use. It will be sent back to the manufacturer to be checked out. The external bypass relays are now in use. The old ones were removed from the Henry amp. Mike would like to move the transmitter antenna to the copula at the Northwest site. He thinks by maybe having the antenna outside the main site might hear it. Nothing is happening with moving the main site. Warren stated the there is intermod on the receiver at main site.

Financial Report: The full roster is at 290 members with 237 voters and 53 in suspension. Gary will send out a letter to those members in suspension after the next club meeting. Total of all accounts is \$13,375.87. Actual expendable funds are \$4992.38. There are two outstanding bills. One for the Henry amp, \$96 and the other for a radio repair, \$190.97. This year's dues were budgeted at \$4100 and are now are at \$3980.

Swapfest: Gary stated that he has sent a letter out to all the vendors that have attended our fest in the last five years. Gary had a deal on getting flyers printed, 5000 at \$99. Grays Lake fest is September 21-22. Gary might be able to attend and is looking for someone to take charge of handing out our fest flyers at Grays Lake. He needs five people and will talk to those who have helped before.

Activities: Janet, KB9ZAG stated that there is no program for this months meeting due to all the club business that needs to be taken care of. She also will not be at October's meeting but will find someone to get the building key and possible refreshments.

New Business: Napoleon stated that the forms had been set to the ARRL to obtain a FRN number and new club call/licensee. The cost is about \$10. When we receive the new club call he will apply for a

vanity call. He stated that W9MRC is available. Warren, K9IZV will be in charge of the nominating committee. Napoleon and Warren explained how they had talked with Rod, KB9ECA explaining the situation with him and the MRC repeater. Gary stated that the Control Op's have request direction from the Board on the KB9ECA situation. Discussion occurred. A motion was made by Gary N9UUR and seconded by Tom AB9EK that the Board recommends that Rod KB9ECA will not be permanently banned from the use of the MRC repeater but limited time selected denial of the repeater, up to 24 hours is approved. Motion passed.

The next Board meeting will be October 7th at Gary' s home. A motion was made by Mike N9NPB and seconded by Janet KB9ZAG to adjourn the meeting at 10:30pm. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Tom Schulte,AB9EK
Club Secretary