

**Florida Repeater Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Melbourne Hamfest  
Saturday October 13, 2012**

**Open Meeting commenced at 15:03**

1. President's opening announcements. Explanation of Open Forum procedures and Board of Director's Business Meeting.
2. Dana AF4CN. Interference issue with Mims KD4HMM repeater which is not using PL. Issue goes back 5 years but trustee won't add tone. Other party at meeting will speak to trustee to add PL. If issue not resolved then the alternative would be complaint to FCC.
3. Ken N8KH Asked if the FRC should require all repeaters have a PL tone. 146.610 PCARS does not have tone and will not vote for PL tone. Someone to speak with trustee.
4. President called for additional comments. Nothing heard.

**Open Meeting Adjourned at 15:13**

**Board Meeting Called to Order at 15:14**

1. Roll Call- D1, D3, D6, and D7 absent.
2. Secretary's reading of previous minutes accepted.
3. Treasury Report-Balance + \$11,019.57
4. Database Manager Report  
1,616 records in database. Will fix dual mode repeater entries in ARRL database. Current director database available.
5. Coordinator's Report:
  - 69 pending - oldest is 6 weeks.
  - will try to update database monthly.
  - Jan 11, 2013 is submission date for ARRL Repeater Directory.
  - Working on removing old expired entries in database.
6. Director Reports
  - D1 - None.
  - D2 - No open issues.
  - D3 - None.
  - D4 - Several repeaters lost 1,200' site due to a single complaint to tower owner. No action to take at this time.
  - D5 - No open issues.
  - D6 - None.
  - D7 - Resigned in early October. President recommends, on recommendation of past D7 Director, W9CHA Ed Biederwolf from Ocala, to D7 Director. Motion made and passed Unanimously. Ed will appoint a new alternate for D7.
  - D8 - No open issues.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Secretary to write procedure for de-coordination of paper repeaters or repeaters that we know are off the air.  
Should be complete for Orlando.
2. Status of new database.  
No progress made. D4 suggests group met after MLB to discuss.  
Tabled to Orlando.
3. Status of Liability Insurance. President & Secretary  
President obtained quote that could be between \$800 and \$2,000 per year for a Directors and Officers Policy. Amount varies by potential liability. Errors and omissions not considered. Secretary will work with State Farm for quote. D4 suggests basic liability and D&O coverage.
4. Do we need to have a "Registered Repeater" or adopt a procedure to issue a permanent conditional where there is a minor encroachment on an existing repeater?  
Conditionals stay on record as Conditional. The condition stays as a permanent Condition of the coordination. Motion made and passed.
5. Speedier application process. Tabled from Orlando.  
Directors need to be more responsive in getting info to Coordinator.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

6. D4 Allocation of 5 UHF "neighborhood" repeater pairs (coordinated but not protected) <50' <50watts ERP listed in directory.  
D4 to submit final version at Orlando.
7. D4 Allocation of 5 UHF Emergency itinerant repeater pairs for temporary use at disaster sites or drills. < 100' < 50 watt ERP Require letter from county EM? NPSPAC for UHF ham frequencies  
D4 to submit final version for Orlando.
8. Change current Conditionally Coordinated digital repeaters to full coordination.  
Motion made and passed Unanimously.
9. DBCoord Directors please review database and supply old records to delete (by record numbers).  
Motion for Dana to delete records as supplied by directors.  
Motion made and passed Unanimously.
10. D4 Application for coordination or change of an existing coordination that proposes an antenna tower height greater than 180 feet must include the FCC ASR number for the tower.  
Any application for coordination that requires an FCC ASR must show the ASR in the application. Motion made and passed Unanimously.

11. D4 Discuss bylaws concerning automatic removal of director or officers upon 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive missed meeting

Add item 5.6 (d) Failure of a Director to attend 2 consecutive scheduled board meetings shall cause the automatic removal of the Director. The President shall appoint a successor as provided in the By-Laws. Will be posted on website for vote in Orlando meeting.

12. Motion to Remove Director 6.

Motion made and passed Unanimously.

13. 147.015/147.270 Coordination issue in District 1.

Coordination assigned then declined by Trustee. Currently 147.270 is not coordinated.

14. Motion to Remove Director 1 and Vice Director 1.

President suggested the Board table this matter until Orlando meeting. Directors agreed to proceed with motion. Motion seconded and passed Unanimously.

15. Discussion on procedures for application for Director.

Procedures read from By-Laws.

16. President will write letters to D6 and D1. Appropriate information will be posted on website.

17. Motion made to have Secretary receive all correspondence for FRC.

Motion passed Unanimously.

Board Meeting Adjourned 16:25

Minutes Submitted by: Marshall Paisner-K4MAP, Secretary FRC