

**Present:**

President Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM  
Vice President Mike Lovold-N0PDG  
Treasurer / Membership Bruce Carlson-KN0NUL  
Secretary Robin Davis  
Second Year Board Gary Minter-KD9ABS  
Third Year Board Randy Johnson-AA0ME  
Special Events – Open / Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM acting  
Ham Fest / Education Bob Schultz-KC0NFB  
Property / Picnic Scott Ahlgren-N0VYU  
Repeater Randy Wabik-KR0B  
Repeater David Pyrlík-K0DJP  
Testing Doug Nelson-AA0AW

**Absent:**

First Year Board Dave Davis-AA0AC  
Parliamentarian Grant Forsyth-KC0WUP  
Chaplain (Visiting) Rolland Bockbrader-KB0CK  
Newsletter / Historian Kim Waller-KE0NQS  
Newsletter Steve Waller-KE0NQT  
Repeater Randy Wabik-KR0B  
Repeater Derek McCorison-W0DNF  
Repeater Randy Haglin-N0BZZ  
Web Site Thomas Dorr-KE0RHA

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by President Gene-N0VRM. He is thankful for all the members that came out tonight

**Election of Officers:**

White ballot for offices.

Bob-KC0NFB made a motion for a white ballot, seconded by Mike-N0PDG

Question - what does that mean? No ballots as there was no opposition, only one (1) person nominated for each office

Call for the vote. Motion passed

**Thomas J Reibold Award W9IBM Memorial Award:**

This award is given to someone who has supported the Club and also promoted the hobby of Amateur Radio. This year's recipient has been very active in St Louis County, Douglas County, with the marathons and stepped up to help teach the Technician test. The award this year is presented to Paul Dallavia-KC0WDQ. Congratulations, Paul-KC0WDQ

**Minutes:**

Posted on the web page and in the newsletter. Moved to approve by Jon Nelson-, seconded by Dennis Anderson-W0DIO, motion passed

**Treasurer's Report:**

Checking 2,590.59  
Savings 2,174.17  
Repeater 1,700.00

Subtotal Cash \$6,464.76

Winter CD 1,724.37

Summer CD 0.00

Subtotal CD \$1,724.37

Assets Subtotal: \$8,189.13

Outstanding Checks:

Mahtowa Repeater -1,100.00

Bob Boyd-KD0LYN Memorial -1,390.00

Repeater Fund -1,700.00

Reserved Funds -\$4,190.00

Grand Total \$3,999.13

Motion to accept as presented by Bob-KC0NFB, seconded by Mke-N0PDG, motion passed

Question - The Bob Boyd-KD0LYN Memorial is part of the Repeater Fund? Yes. When he passed, his brother said that Bob-KD0LYN considered the Club as part of his family. They decided to leave all his radio gear to the Club and Mike-N0PDG has handled selling the parts. The money received was put into the Repeater Fund as a Memorial to Bob-KD0LYN

#### Repeater Fund:

Grants (donations) received for the Repeater Upgrade:

Grandma's Marathon \$1,500.00

Enbridge \$800.00

Lake County \$200.00

Halvor Lines \$275.00 – coming soon

We will be replacing the 94 Repeater, following the lead of Randy-KR0B. He has been in contact with Yaezu (John Kruk-N9UPC sitting in a boat somewhere on a lake), fourteen (14) week delay for arrival of ordered products

Spoke with Randy Haglin-N0BZZ and he will get down to Mahtowa to finish the upgrade there. He is driving from Aikin, MN

#### Education:

There is no scheduled classes until the fall. There has been some interest in Technician, General or Extra. Class will end in January

#### Testing:

Doug-AA0AW held a testing session last week, using a new location, Moose 1302 Lodge in Proctor. Two (2) candidates with 100% - Nothing to General, Nothing to Technician. Contact Doug [AA0AW@ARRL.net](mailto:AA0AW@ARRL.net). If you are ready to test, email Doug-AA0AW and they will test individually. Happy to set something up. There will be a test session in January. Former site House of Refuge has had successful prayer sessions seven (7) nights a week and is not available for the testing any longer

#### Christmas Party:

Gene-N0VRM received a call from the Coppertop Church on Tuesday, as they found out we were having food and that is a no-no. The rules are set by the Bishop of MN. We are thankful to have this room. We are following the rules so no food, no coffee and no doughnuts or cookies for now

Food will be brought to the Salvation Army Food Shelf

Salvation Army bell ringing. Gene called and the receptionist was compiling number. We did really good \$944.57. Thank you to the bell ringers who raised those funds. We'll do it again next year

Ham Fest will be applied for through the ARRL. First Saturday in May as normal and we can start looking forward to that. St Cloud is holding a Ham Fest as well, back at the armory this year. Brainerd is also holding a Ham Fest. This are things to look forward to for the New Year

Any new Hams?

KF0JGW General

Jon Palachek Technician to General. KD9DZB

Paul KF0GEX Technician

Door Prize was won by Bob-KC0NFB

We are collecting dues for the year and they are \$20.00 for a single and \$25.00 for family

ARAC is a Non-Profit registered with the State of MN. Gene-N0VRM applied for 501C3 designation for the Club. The wait could be up to ninety (90) days before we get a response from the Federal Government

Gift giveaways based on attendance to the monthly meetings (tickets for the drawings). Congratulations to the winners!