

Board Meeting
May 11, 2023

Present: Phil, NO3N, Secretary; Kevin, KC3SGL, Treasurer; Greg, KC3SEG, Director; Dave, W3RDE, Director

There was a quorum of officers present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm.

Phil was the presiding officer for the meeting.

Repeaters: Eric reported on the repeater project. Tom noted the plan to have voting repeaters and has proposed moving Curtis Bay to Crownsville. He noted the financial ramifications which include a study by the county. He estimated a minimum of \$10,000. Mike addressed the 440 repeater to be linked with the Mobileers repeater. The plan for the 440s is to put a Fusion in the Millersville site. The Fusion repeater has been installed there. The repeater is being used by amateurs in the area who are experimenting with Fusion. The proposal would include the linking of the Millersville and Davidsonville UHF repeaters. We might lose FM analog use in the linking.

The Board then recommended going forward with the proof of concept. Eric recommended seeking partial funding from the Mobileers and MMARSI. Phil entertained the motion of the intent to spend the \$11,000 with the understanding that the other groups might not contribute or would contribute later. Approved.

Eric noted that we had acquired air conditioners for the Annapolis joint repeater.

General class: Keith noted it was halfway complete and he estimated 10-12 new General licensees.

Field Day: Keith reported on the status of Field Day preparation. We need to stress people to become familiar with the rocket launchers.

A/V: Dave has the plan on hold until we have a fixed budget item on the repeater plan.

Treasurer: Kevin gave a treasury report.

Tower: Eric noted that the crank-up tower is going up soon.

Nets: Dave needs new net controllers. He went over the prospective members who can handle the Holly Net. There was a discussion on the procedure adding a net controller.

ARRL: Eric noted that the ARRL sends out a monthly report of new hams for the region.

By-Laws: Phil recommended a review of the By-Laws, particularly in regard to an Order Of Business, how the presiding officer is devolved, Zoom meetings, etc. Keith provided a background on the Rules Committee and why the By-Laws haven't been updated.

The meeting concluded at 8:10 pm.