Indianapolis Repeater Association, Inc. Board Meeting April 26,2021



This General Membership Meeting was held virtually via Zoom and called to order by Brent Walls, President.

Board members in attendance was Bob Burns AK9R, Noel Mortimer W9NMM, Dave Rogers KB9YYM, Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, John Shouse W9JS

Other membership in attendance was Dave WD9DWT

Brent gave a brief welcome explaining that due to Covid, site visits and general membership and board meetings were difficult to get in.

A draft of General Membership minutes for approval from August 2020 and January 2021 was presented during the meeting. Noel motioned to accept August 2020 minutes, Dave seconded, all agreed by unanimous consent.

January 2021 minutes have the following corrections, in that the general membership meeting was adjourned (as noted in the minutes), however following this was 'new' board meeting of the newly elected board members which then held the election of new board officers.

The treasures report was presented by Bob through April 24 2021. Dave motioned to accept, Noel seconded, all agreed by unanimous consent. Question was asked about postage costs by Dave. He asked if as a non-profit could we save any money?

## **Old Business:**

- Equipment status many we have not been into for over a year. The technical committee will be looking to get in them this year. All repeaters are currently operational.
- Tower Work Reimbursement AK9R is owed \$355.01 for previous tower work completed at the WTHR site. There is some mis-understanding as to what is due to Bob.
   Bob is indicating that he is gifting the remainder to the IRA and had already deducted the life membership amount from the previous amount due him.
- Annual Election results: IRA membership elected W9JS John completing W9MGB Mark Burkes term (2 yrs left), KB9YYM David, W9SOX Matthew and WAFDO Mike also elected to the board of directors for a 3 year term each.

## **New Business:**

- Financial Audit status. Noel, Brent and Wayne reviewed the statements for 2020 and found no irregularities.
- Ken Bandy KJ9B on behalf of the Indianapolis Radio Club is looking for ways to involve new hams in the area. They are considering a 'newbie' net and Ken asked if they could

use the 146.700 repeater but have not stated for sure if they are going to use it or a different resource.

Next Meeting on July 26th at 7PM with location TBD

## **Open Forum:**

Dave asked about renting a conf room in a hotel for a general meeting. Brent gave a
quick history of 10 yrs ago when the IRA met at the Stoffers Hotel but then after that did
it in a variety of restaurants until Covid came along. He indicated we will find a location
that will allow social distancing.

Noel motioned to adjourn, Matthew seconded, all agreed by unanimous consent and the meeting ended at 7:44pm.

Minutes collected and submitted by Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, IRA Board Secretary.

