Indianapolis Repeater Association, Inc. General Membership Meeting January 27, 2025



Meeting was held in person at the Salvation Army EDS and initiated by Frank Hughes NF9H, President who called it to order at 7:00pm

Board members in attendance were Frank Hughes NF9H, John Shouse W9JS, Mike Scercer WA9FDO, Bob Burns AK9R, Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, Noel Mortier W9NMM, Dave Rogers KB9YYM

Other IRA Members and interested hams included: Don Smith N9BGW, John Bartholomew KC9CHE, Matt Brown NE9D

Matthew W9SOX presented the December minutes. Dave motioned to accept; Noel seconded; Motion was carried without objection.

The treasurer's report was presented by Bob and it represented finances through January 26, 2025. Matthew W9SOX motioned to accept; John W9JS seconded; Motion was carried without objection.

# Old Business:

• Reminder of terms expiring: Frank Hughes, David McOwen, and Noel Mortier

# **New Business:**

- Equipment Status
  - Nothing new to report in the last couple months.
- A brief recess of the Annual General Membership meeting was called by Frank Hughes NF9H, President.
  - Board meeting convened with Frank Hughes NF9H, John Shouse W9JS, Mike Scercer WA9FDO, Bob Burns AK9R, Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, Noel Mortier W9NMM, Dave Rogers KB9YYM in attendance.
    - Topic of action: Replacement of Tony Stokes N9UN who has offered to vacate his board position with 1 year in the term remaining.
    - Matthew W9SOX motion to accept; Bob AK9R second; Motion was carried without objection.
    - John Bartholomew KD9ECH appointed to fill position until election.
  - Matthew W9SOX motioned to adjourn; Noel W9NMM second; Motion was carried without objection.
- Annual General Membership was called back to order.
- Terms expiring: Frank Hughes, David McOwen, and Noel Mortier
  - Matthew W9SOX nominates Noel W9NMM
  - Bob AK9R nominates Frank NF9H
  - Mike WA9FDO nominates Don N9BGW

- Dave KB9YYM nominates Matt NE9D to fill remaining 1 year term currently filled by appointee John KD9ECH.
- No other nominations are made
- Mike WA9FDO motions to accept nominations without vote, as there are 4 nominees for 4 open positions; Noel W9NMM second; Motion was carried without objection.
- Vote of confidence on repeater trustee Currently Frank NF9H. Dave KB9YYM motions to accept Frank as trustee; John W9JS second; Motion was carried without objection.
- Annual summary statement from treasurer provided by Bob AK9R. John W9JS motioned to accept; Matthew W9SOX second; Motion was carried without objection.
- Next Board Meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at the Salvation Army EDS

# **Open Forum**

- Bob asks about recent US mail and emails, requesting that there be a difference between life and non life member verbiage. Matthew states that emails do have different verbiage and past US mailings have although this last (January 2025) did not.
- K9MD new life member. Certificate to be mailed.
- Hendricks County Hamfest is the location of this years Indiana Section ARRL Convention.

Matthew motioned to adjourn; Dave seconded; all agreed with no objections and the meeting ended at 7:40 pm

### Board Meeting January 27, 2025

The Board was called to order by Frank Hughes, President at 7:40pm immediately following the General Membership meeting in order to elect positions.

2025 Board members in attendance was Frank Hughes NF9H, John Shouse W9JS, Mike Scercer WA9FDO, Bob Burns AK9R, Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, Noel Mortier W9NMM, Dave Rogers KB9YYM, Matt Brown NE9D, Don Smith N9BGW

- Current Treasurer is Bob Burns AK9R, who accepted nomination to remain.
- Current Secretary is Matthew Bechdol W9SOX , who accepted nomination to remain.
- Current Vice-President is Dave Rogers KB9YYM, who accepted nomination to remain.
- Current President is Frank Hughes NF9H, who accepted nomination to remain.
- There were not any additional nominations or candidates.
- John W9JS motioned that the 4 officers accepting their nominations and there being no other nominations, retain their positions without need of vote. Mike WA9FDO second; Motion was carried without objection.
- 2. Repeater Trustee
  - After a review of bylaws, it was determined the vote of confidence on repeater trustee is to be done by the board rather than the general membership
  - Currently the repeater trustee is Frank NF9H.
  - Dave KB9YYM motions to accept; John W9JS second; Motion was carried without objection.
- 3. Appoint financial audit committee
  - Frank NF9H (by default), Noel W9NMM, John W9JS
- 4. Appoint technical committee
  - Frank NF9H, John W9JS, Mike WA9FDO, Bob AK9R, Noel W9NMM, Don N9BGW, Matt NE9D

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- Matthew W9SOX asked about end of year Business Entity Report with the state. Bob normally files this and is on his calendar.
- Matthew W9SOX said he would work on a message as well as a list of users who are not members to contact.

Dave KB9YYM motioned to adjourn, John W9JS seconded, all agreed with no objections and the meeting ended at 7:48pm

Minutes collected and submitted by Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, IRA Board Secretary Minutes approved with a minor grammatical change on February 24, 2025 Board Meeting