

Indianapolis Repeater Association, Inc.
General Membership Meeting
February 02, 2026



Note: Meeting was postponed 1 week due to extreme cold and icy weather on January 26th.

Meeting was held in person at the Salvation Army EDS and initiated by Frank Hughes NF9H, President who called it to order at 7:02pm

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

Other IRA Members and interested hams included: Margrette Topping KD9KBQ , Jim Henke KC9JPF, John Bartholomew KC9CHE, Tony Tolbert W9AMT, Brian Wooden N9BSW and Mary Hoeller KD9KCD

Matthew W9SOX presented the December minutes. John motioned to accept; Noel seconded with no objections.

The treasurer's report was presented by Bob and it represented finances through February 02, 2026 as well as the annual summary statement for 2025. Currently we have 45 paid up and life members. Mike S motioned to accept; Tony seconded with no objections.

Old Business:

- Reminder of terms expiring: Bob Burns, John Shouse, and Matt Brown - all have agreed to run again.

New Business:

- Equipment Status –
 - 146.700 - After end of December, no significant noise was heard. Don said he caught a buzz a couple times but didn't find any correlations to weather or conditions.
 - Other repeaters have not been visited since December.
- Terms expiring: Bob Burns, John Shouse and Matt Brown
 - Mike nominates Bob
 - Don nominates John
 - Noel nominates Matt NE9D
 - No other nominations are made
 - Matthew W9SOX motions to accept nominations without a vote as there are 3 nominees for 3 open positions, Dave second. All approved with no objections.
- Vote of Confidence for Repeater Trustee: Frank NF9H. Dave motions to accept, Bob seconds. All approve with no objections.
- Appoint financial audit committee

- Audit Committee are as follows: Frank (by default), John, Noel
- Appoint technical committee
 - Technical Committee are as follows: Jim, John, Mike, Bob, Don
- Next Board Meeting on February 23rd at 7PM at the Salvation Army EDS

Open Forum

- Frank asks about the Contact Us on the website. It is still being investigated.
- Tony says there is the Hendricks County Hamfest Saturday
- Bob showed us the new Indiana Ham Radio license plate is available starting February 12.

Matthew motioned to adjourn, Dave seconded, all agreed with no objections and the meeting ended at 7:32 pm

Minutes approved at February 23 meeting.



The Board was called to order by Frank Hughes, President at 7:34pm immediately following the General Membership meeting in order to elect positions.

2026 Board members in attendance was Frank Hughes NF9H, John Shouse W9JS, Mike Scercer WA9FDO, Bob Burns AK9R, Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, Matt Brown NE9D, Noel Mortier W9NMM, Don Smith

- All officers need to be nominated and elected by the board.
 - 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.
 - Matthew motioned that the 4 officers accepting their nominations, retain their positions without need of vote. Matt seconded. All agreed with no objections.
- It was noted that the board, not general membership, is responsible for the vote of confidence for the repeater trustee, as such a new vote was held since the previous membership meeting vote was invalid.
 - Vote of confidence on repeater trustee: Frank Hughes NF9H. Frank agrees to continue as trustee. Bob makes a motion that Frank Hughes NF9H remain as the trustee. Noel seconded. All agreed with no objections.

There was nothing additional noted for Open Forum.

Matthew motioned to adjourn, John seconded, all agreed with no objections and the meeting ended at 8:11pm

Minutes collected and submitted by Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, IRA Board Secretary
Minutes approved at February 23, 2026 Board Meeting