

Minutes of the Oregon Region Relay Council

These Minutes were approved by the Board on August 10th, 2003.

ORRC Board

Meeting starting at 10:26 AM on June 8th, 2003.

Location: Red Cross building in Eugene.

ORRC Board Members present:

Joel Determan K7TGZ Chair & Dir. at Large, Ron Polluconi KJ7IY Region 2 Dir. & Database Manager, Mike Hemel KB7WUK Region 3 Dir. & Vice Chair, Dan Bathurst WA7ABU Secretary & Region 4 Dir., Steve Grajeda WB6YQP Region 5 Dir., Terry Shellman KB7DRX Region 6 Director, Neil McKie WA6KLA Region 7 Dir. & Ops Chair, Johnny Jones WA6RHK Dir. at Large & Region 5 Alt, Ed Melnik WB2QHS Region 2 Alt., Brett Mueller WA7V Region 8 Dir. and Alt. & Dick Suber K7DDI Region 7 Alt.

Visitor: Al Pion KK7XO.

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 10:26 AM at the Red Cross building in Eugene.

Joel called the operations meeting.

Operations

Minutes approved with minor changes as noted.

Updates:

ARRG Repeater 147.12 on Cabbage Hill, Pendleton will be off the air until further notice to return after agreements are made.

The 146.72 MHz repeater on Mary's Peak Owner Robert Watt, W7NQE, passed away, received a letter from Nettie Whelan (non-licensed) stating she is the legal representative and heir to the estate of Robert Watt. Ms. Whelan has given the repeater to a friend Douglas S. Wade - KA7NVB. A letter from Douglas S. Wade, KA7NVB, stating as legal owner of the 146.72 MHz repeater, he is donating it to the Valley Radio Club - in Eugene.

Control for this 146.72 repeater approved for Larry Lange, WJ7S, on 446.590 with 151.4 Hz CTCSS.

Received three Annual Update Forms from KA7UPD, Packet on Lyons area.

John Stein, AB7F, sent updates for two Operational System Reports:

One for his 441.375 MHz near Salem

The other for his 53.75 MHz near Orchards, Washington

Bill Sawders K7ZM sold his half ownership of the 145.450 MHz repeater on Mt. Bachelor to Wayne Jack, KK7TT.

The other half owner is Randy Sargent, AA7WN.

Phyllis Fox-Krupp, KA7YZI, in Merlin has corrected the numbers on the Technical Data Form.

Applications:

Brian L. Hunter, KD7PFG, of Kaiser, Oregon approved for 440.800 CTCSS 100Hz.

KD7PFG also approved for 53.230 Tx / 51.53 Rx CTCSS 100 Hz.

John Austin, N6SEX, of Eagle Point, Oregon. John requests the 443.125 MHz pair for Austin Peak, not available. 443.000 MHz is available, advised by phone.

Bill Sawders, K7ZM, Bend, Oregon. Wants his old frequency pair back - 146.92 MHz. He used to have a repeater on Grizzly Mountain but gave up that frequency when he got involved with the 145.45 MHz system on Mt. Bachelor.

146.92 is not available at this time. Cochannel letters required.

Neil to contact K7AII to get promise of operational 146.92 MHz system. This system must cover substantial territory or give up the coordination.

Noted W7VTW, is listed on current roster for ORRC Membership. He requested notice.

KG7UL Repeater 444.000MHz frequency returned to pool. Short investigation to verify directed by Joel. Possible help to be offered to keep on the air.

Ron mentioned the upside down feature of the database inquiry.

Database access discussed for web use.

Meeting adjourned for lunch at 11:50 AM

ORRC Board

Meeting called to order at 12:55 PM

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Old Business

Ron to send out letter after verifying with Joel, the content.

New database includes label generation choices.

Mike, WB7WUK, brought up coordination policy discussions concerning repeater purchases.

KD7PFJ presented solutions to the 145.11 MHz repeater coordination in the Blue River area. He will be the technical person on the club system, with original club hosting / coordinations.

ORRC Election in Region 3 elected Mike, WB7WUK for the position of Region 3 Director. John Stein, AB7F was elected Alternate.

ORRC Election in Region 5 elected Johnny Jones, WA6RHK the new Region 5 Director, with Steve Grajeda, WB6YQP the Alternate.

Treasurer's Report, could not be made due to absence of the Treasurer.

Dan reported a check came through the mail from the ARRL for data purchased.

Joel discussed digital internet technology and planning in the 900 MHz band.

Review and approval of last meetings minutes; handled at Ops meeting.

General Membership Meeting

23 people present, including the Board.

Discussion of channel plans for future changes in the assignment of 2 meter repeaters. 15 KHz channels would allow more assignments, with 2.5 KHz deviations.
Problems and advantages discussed.

BMUG, Blue Mountain User Group has been operating in the Eastern part of Oregon without proper elections of local hams. The ORRC intends to continue operations as normal until such elections are held and approved. This is consistent with communications with the NFCC.

Neil drafted a letter asking BMUG to conform to NFCC rules.

Minutes were requested to be put on the web before approved. Joel indicated the minutes will be on the web quicker in the future. Quick on line updates were discussed, security is an issue. Note that all applications go through the ORRC PO Box at present.

5 at large Directors need to be voted to fill positions open.

6 nominations were KA7OSM, WA7V, K7TGZ, WB2QHS, WB6YQP, and K7PFJ.

The persons elected were KA7OSM, WA7V, K7TGZ, WB2QHS, and K7PFJ.

Good of the Order:

Next ORRC Board meeting: August 10th, 10 AM Board meeting, at Pendleton.

A Barbecue for ORRC Members will be held there not to exceed \$500. Place to be the Umatilla Justice Center. BMUG and ORRC paid members will be invited, RSVP please to Joel's email address at k7tgz@pcez.com by August 6th to attend.

Driving instructions: From I-84 eastbound, take first Pendleton exit 207, turn right at the stop sign, go 200' to Pioneer Place. Turn left, follow road 1/4 mile to main building on the left. The address is 4700 NW Pioneer Pl., Pendleton, OR 97801.

ORRC Board meeting adjourned at 3:55 PM.

Minutes submitted for ORRC Board review

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