

MISSOURI REPEATER COUNCIL, Inc.
ANNUAL MRC MEETING MINUTES
30 August 2016

The meeting was called to order on August 27, by President, Don Moore, KM0R, at 11:00 am at the Boone Electric Cooperative Community Room at 1413 Rangeline St., Columbia, MO.

After determining that a quorum was present, each of the members in attendance introduced themselves and indicated where they were from and which repeaters they represented.

A motion to approve the written minutes of the 2015 MRC Annual Meeting was made, seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance 8/1/15	\$1177.89
Income:	\$455.00
Expenses:	\$372.50
Balance 8/1/16	\$1260.39
Increase over last year	\$82.50

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Coordinator's Report:

No coordinators report due to family and medical excused absences.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

At the 2015 meeting, George Schindler, WB0IIS, the MRC Technical Director, was charged with developing a Selective Access Policy for current and new repeater systems. His expertise in the digital arena, including DMR, P25, D-Star and Fusion, allowed him to develop a proposal that worked with the surrounding states. During the review process, it was suggested that the current 10 Tone areas be adjusted to match the eight Geographic areas to provide a one-to-one relationship. Four of the areas were already an exact match and one would need only minor adjustment. Using the Primary and Secondary Tone assignments for each area allowed the realignment to impact very few repeaters. Impacted systems are grandfathered with their existing Tones, but are encouraged to convert to the assigned Tone over time. During the meeting discussion of the proposed policy, several repeater owners indicated that the Tone change would be easy these days and the benefits of having a single Tone in an area would help the traveling Ham access repeaters as they drove through the state.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Selective Access Policy and Guidelines as presented. The complete policy is available on the MRC web page under the "Documents" tab on the left side of the Home Page.

In a related discussion, a member of the Show Me Intertie (SMI) linked system indicated that the system is dead west of STL, but still in-tact from St. Louis eastward. This system uses the same Tone for all repeaters. This Tone matches none of the recommendations in MO or IL. This may be a good time to make changes. Their Board will meet to decide a course of action.

Election of Officers:

The term of office for the Vice President, Secretary and one Director at Large will expire at the close of the meeting. The following individuals were nominated from the floor:

Vice President: Gary LaForce, NOPBM

Secretary: Bill Grimsbo, NOPNP

Director at large: Jeff Young, KB3HF

Motion made, seconded and passed to close the nominations. There being only one nominee for each open position, a motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the slate by acclamation.

Good of the Order:

President thanked everyone for taking the time to attend the MRC Annual Meeting.

Motion made, seconded and passed to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:43 am.

Submitted by,
Roger, K0GOB
Acting Secretary