

MISSOURI REPEATER COUNCIL, Inc.
ANNUAL MRC MEETING MINUTES
5 August 2017

President Don Moore, KM0R called the meeting to order on August 5, 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 2016 MRC Annual Meeting was made, seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance 8/1/16	\$1,260.39
Income:	\$10,612.00
Expenses:	(\$10,745.00)
Balance 8/1/17	\$1,127.39
Increase (decrease) yr/yr	(\$133.00)

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

Database Report:

Roger, K0GOB, and Jeff, KB3HF, reported that the database (DB) is complete and on-line. The DB is much more than a listing of repeaters. It includes:

1. Matching trustees and/or contact individuals to each repeater.
2. Associated LINKS for each repeater
3. A permanent record of each change; who made it and when was it made
4. Repeater callsign changes
5. Many auxiliary functions, such as pick tables for consistency, are also complete.

What's missing?

1. Half of the automated email notification between repeater contact and coordinator. Requested changes are automatically sent to the coordinator(s), but the reverse decision (acceptance or rejection) is not finished.
2. Mass email "blast" is not working
3. Coordinator frequency selection/trial has not been started.

Future plans?

1. Roger and Jeff have agreed to continue to work with the part-time developer to complete the remaining work.

Coordinator's Report:

Jeff, KB3HF, and James, KB0NHX, reported that there are no more 144 MHz pairs available...even in outstate Missouri. The 440 MHz band is out of pairs in the metro areas and is quickly becoming saturated in some rural areas as well. Adjacent states have successfully gone to splinter frequencies for the newer, digital systems. George, WB0IIS, the MRC and ARRL Midwest Division Technical Specialist, volunteered to develop policies for review by the Coordinators and Board.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

The issue of no new frequency pairs available in the most popular bands, as outlined in the Coordinators report, was brought up for action. After much discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed to develop policies for coordinating splinter frequency repeaters in the 440 MHz band and in the lower portion of the 144 MHz band.

Election of Officers:

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

President:	Don Moore, KM0R
Vice President:	None
Treasurer:	None
Director at large:	None

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

Per the ByLaws, the MRC Board will solicit candidates for the open positions where they will serve until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the MRC Membership.

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 12:11 pm.

Submitted by,
Roger, K0GOB
Acting Secretary