

Draft #1

**Snohomish County HAMS Club
General Membership Meeting
Minutes
23 September 2017**

1. The meeting was called to order at 0800 by the Vice President, Larry Warner KG7ZSB.

A. The membership introduced themselves by name and call sign.

B. Announcements: The Vice President reminded the Club of our 50/50 raffle draw that is a fund raising activity.

2. The Vice President called for Board Reports:

A. The Secretary's Report was announced by Henry Poland KH6VM in the absence of Roger Hoot KF7WVT. The minutes were approved by vote of the membership.

B. The Treasurer's report was provided by Randy Mather AJ7B who provided the following status of our Club finances as of 9/17/2017:

- (1) Income: \$475.27
- (2) Expenses: \$1906.86
- (3) Checking Account Balance: \$5176.45
- (4) Repeater Maintenance Fund: \$483.15
- (5) Repeater Endowment Fund: \$5419.02
- (6) General Investment: \$438.84

The report was approved by vote of the membership.

C. The VE Report was provided by Randy Mather AJ7B who stated that one testing session was conducted on 8/26/2017 by nine VE's present, with the following results:

- (1) 10 tests administered to 8 candidates
 - (a) 6 passed the Technician Level test; two of those tried for General Level and failed.
 - (b) 1 candidate upgraded to General Level
 - (c) 1 candidate upgraded to Extra Level

3. Old Business: The Vice President called for committee reports:

A. Larry Warner KG7ZSB is Chair of the Nomination Committee is seeking members who are interested in leading the Club.

B. Jess Ray AD7PZ and Jill Hatch WA7JIL are seeking a person to act as the Master of Ceremonies at the Christmas Party on December 9.

C. John Van Dalen N7AME will provide a survey of interests at the next Membership Meeting.

D. The Club needs a Project Manager

E. Chris Wartes K7II was pleased with his contribution to the Salmon Run in that he was able to get several inexperienced HAMS on the radio.

F. Barry Hatch WA7BAR reported that the Salmon Run station at his residence was very sociable. Frank reported that the Bands were variable and described what the Salmon Run Contest is about. Some pictures were shown of the new tent. Barry reported that it took six people 30 minutes to set up the new tent (pretty simple & fast). We're looking for floor protection from the use of chairs.

4. New Business

A. Randy Mather announced that the next licensing class would be on 20-22 October at the hospital. Instructors are needed.

B. Frank encouraged the membership to sign a get well/farewell card for Tom & Sharon Smith who are moving out of the area due to health reasons.

C. In February, we will participate in the Westgate School Science Night where we demonstrate radio communications.

D. We need 'after meeting' presentations.

E. We have excess Club equipment that will be listed on EBay for sale if no one bids on it before the next Club Meeting.

F. Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) will be at Camp Freeman on 21 October. For info, contact Tom Hutchinson at 425-252-0890.

5. 50/50 Draw was conducted with \$51 in the pot. It was won by Dennis Bradford his portion of \$25.50 back to the Club.

6. Next Meetings:

A. The next Club meeting will be 28 October 2017

B. The next Board meeting will be 23 October at Alfy's.

7. Next month: Ed WA7ETH will give presentation on Satellite Radio.

8. Frank provided advice on how to maximize use of the repeater by hesitating after keying but before transmitting.

9. The Meeting was adjourned