



Western Washington Repeater Association

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Four (4) Board Meeting [electronic] Minutes concluding on January 14, 2006

In December 2005 and January 2006 the president, Bob, KC7DRQ sent to the BoD.

12/12/05 The treasurer and myself are experiencing problems gaining access to our Prudential long-term savings account. This account was established after we had similar withdrawal issues with the Smith-Barney account we inherited. This was also prior to our current and easy to manage no-fee checking account with the Kitsap Credit Union.

I need a YES vote for this money to be taken out of the Prudential Fund and transferred to our Kitsap Credit Union savings account that we have associated with our checking account. We will get it transferred electronically.

12/29/05 I need an up/down vote on the following recommended prices below.

We have purchased \$203.84 [board approved \$200 in October] of WWRA logo souvenir/gift items for sale at the general meeting. We got a WWRA discount and paid \$20 for shipping.

We are giving away 4-5 large mugs to our charter members as gifts along with a certificate and WWRA patch. I propose we sell what is left at a dollar or two above what we paid for the items.

If we sell everything we will make \$29 paying our shipping and having \$9 to the good. We only want to add to the festivity with these items and get rid of them all at the meeting. The prices I list below are slightly below the website prices so we can move them. We don't know how this sale will go over.

All items have the WWRA Logo.

Large coffee mug	\$14.00
Small coffee mug	\$13.00
Teddy Bear	\$16.00
Refrigerator Magnets	\$2.00
Logbook	\$10.00
XL T-shirts	\$10.00

We also have two VHF HT's and a donated (ATV) Amateur TV transmitter for prizes.

1/7/2006 Over the past few years the secretary, treasurer and myself have been shooting for achieving membership renewals on or before the annual expiration of December 31st. We have gone from a few we would get at the October Hamfest until this year when we now have 38. By announcements on the repeaters placing reminders in the newsletters we have increased this number.

The problem we have with people not renewing on time is the additional burden of administrative paperwork after the due date. The secretary and treasurer continually work on this issue for months sending out reminders [sometimes two], updating the books for each individual instead of many at a time, sending out renewal documents and changing auto patch numbers. Last year we devoted over 600 hours to admin and only a little over 100 hours to technical work.

The more we can offer incentives and reduce this admin workload the better we can operate. What I would like to do is for 2007 is to announce to the membership at this next meeting that we will give three "door prize" tickets out to each primary member who renews on time and of course shows up at the meeting. It does not cost us anything. We can still sell the door prize tickets as usual.

So that the entire board is on the same page I need a re-confirmation vote on our long adhered to membership and repeater use policy that the vice president will be reading at this meeting.

1/14/2006 It is expected that ALL USERS of the WWRA repeaters financially support them. Simply put it costs money to maintain our far reaching and reliable system. There are only three types of USERS exempt from this policy are;

1. Our northern neighbors, the Canadians, they are guests in our country and therefore guests on our repeaters
2. Visitors to our area from another state or out of the area of coverage of our repeaters who stay for awhile and then leave and



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3. The "traffic passers" who have provided a necessary service, especially in times of an emergency such as the recent Katrina disaster on the Gulf Coast, and these dedicated hams have been the public face of our amateur radio community's positive image over the years.

I would therefore request from all of you supporting members when you get a chance off the air to encourage the following USERS of the 62 repeater to help support it.

Drake will then read of a list of calls who have routinely used the 62 repeater in 2005 and some who have used it for years.

Bob voted YES on all four of the above issues.

Please REPLY TO ALL with your vote. Thanks.

Bob, KC7DRQ

I vote YES. Bill, N7YT

I vote YES. George, N7GME

I vote YES: Drake, KD7GAR

I vote YES. Terry, N7YZX

All four Issues passed with no changes. 5 votes YES within one day of each submitted request from president.

Approved by Bob Williams, KC7DRQ President WWRA

Robert Williams

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