

Minutes-January 16, 2025, General Meeting

By Jim Gifford N8KET, Secretary

Executive Committee Members Present

President: Geoff Kline, KI5VNB

Vice President: Eric Bramini, KC8OPY

Treasurer: John Westerkamp W8LRJ, Webmaster, Comm Center

Secretary: Jim Gifford N8KET

Senior Director: Bob French AC8ZU, POTA, Tech Night

Junior Director: Don Macon KE8WVJ

Functional Coordinators Present:

Glenn Rodgers WI8O, Field Day

Tink Siwecki KD8NUA, Hospitality and Library

Don Parker KB8PSL, Community

Steve Siwecki KD8NUC, Nominating

Paul Sharp WS8R, Education and Sunday Night Net

Ray Hitt N8VMX, Newsletter

Executive Committee Members Absent

NA

At 7:30 pm, President Geoff Kline, KI5VNB welcomed attendees and led attendees in the pledge of allegiance. Each person present introduced himself/herself.

Agenda Item 1. Emailed Minutes from the December 2024 General Membership Meeting

Glenn Rodgers WI8O moved we accept; Jim Totten WA8HUB seconded; passed.

Agenda Item 2. Treasurer's Report

John Westerkamp presented the report, which he had emailed before the meeting. See below:

Dues continue to trickle in. We are up to 70% renewal but, unfortunately, behind our desired pace of about 80% by now. Insurance and Internet charges dominated the expense which outpaced the income by almost \$200. That is not atypical of this time of year as income slows down and regular yearly expenses come due at the same time.

We continue to be in excellent financial health with a balance of \$12,197.19.

Thanks!

John Westerkamp, W8LRJ
Treasurer

Fund	31-Dec-24	Income	Expenses	31-Jan-25
General	\$4,872.34	\$218.00	\$400.93	\$4,689.41
Comm center	\$1,007.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,007.43
Refreshments	\$838.66	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$838.66

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Repeater	\$319.53	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$319.53
All Liquid Funds	\$7,037.96	\$218.00	\$400.93	\$6,855.03
6 Month CD	\$5,342.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,342.16
ALL FUNDS	\$12,380.12	\$218.00	\$400.93	\$12,197.19

Jim Totten moved we accept; Ray Hitt N8VMX seconded; passed.

Agenda Item 3. Vote on Recommended Changes to Constitution and Bylaws

The secretary aided by two other members counted to ensure we had the required forum.

Steve Siwecki KD8NUC moved we accept the changes in the Constitution and Bylaws as published and described in the last two meetings. Glenn Rodgers WI8O seconded.

A show of hands was requested by the president. There were 41 YEAs physically present; 6 YEAs on Zoom. No NAYs.

Changes are listed below:

	Description	Pages
16 January 2025	Remove Para. 2.4.5 strikethrough language left in error. Changed January to December as month of election (January was an error in conflict with other paragraphs and actual practice).	4
16 January 2025	Change Para. 2.3.7.5 to 2.4.7.5 (typographical error)	5
16 January 2025	Changed boldface on Paragraph titles (consistency)	2-5
16 January 2025	Removed capitalization on office titles (grammar)	1, 3-10
16 January 2025	Changed capitalization in Paragraph Titles (consistency)	4
16 January 2025	Replaced BARC logo (improved)	cover
16 January 2025	Para. 2.4.7.5 Clarified incoming Senior Director serving on Auditing Committee	5
16 January 2025	Para 2.4.3 Added minimum age requirement to eligibility of officers and members-at-large	4

Agenda Item 4. Officer and Coordinator Reports

Ray Hitt said he is taking care of the badges worn at meetings, and he requested input on needs and changes.

Paul Sharp WS8R promoted the weekly BARC Net.

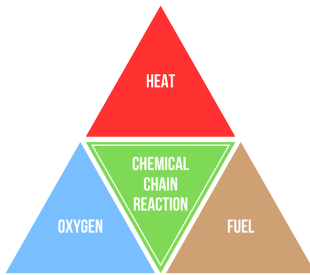
Tink Siwecki KD8NUA invited everyone to BARC Movie Night. The movie this month is “Harvey.”

Agenda Item 4. Presentation on Fire Safety and Prevention by Don Parker KB8PSL

[Secretary's note: The following is a general outline, because the many excellent illustrations create a file too large to transmit via the reflector.

Fire Tetrahedron

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Chimney Fires

Space Heaters

Extension Cords

Gas Grills

Propane Tanks

Portable Generators

- Correct hookup
- Carbon Monoxide
 - Color less and odorless
- Improper Use
- Proper Fueling
- General Fire Hazards
 - Heat
 - Gas Spill
 - Shutting Down to Refuel
 - Vapors
 - Fuel Storage

Fire Classification

- A = (think of “ash”)
- B = (think of beverage, grease, gas)
- C = (think of current of electricity)
- D = metals

Extinguisher Types

- Using a fire extinguisher
- Safe Distance

Cooking Fires

- Cover Them
 - Wet Towel
 - Baking Soda
- ABCs
- Oven Fires

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Fire and Smoke Detectors

- Why?
- Number
- Placement
- Number Needed
- Types

Carbon Monoxide

- Sources
- Signs of
- Detectors and replacement

What to Do When a Detector Sounds an Alarm

Natural Gas

Questions?

Ray Hitt moved we close the meeting; Larry Darner KD8RER seconded. Closed at about 8:30pm.