

December 18, 2017

The DRA meeting was called to order by Frank Filipkowski, AD3M at 7:00 P.M. held in the Brandywine Town Center in Wilmington, DE. He pointed out the exits and bathroom facilities. The roll was called with the following people present: Bill W3DE, Dave KC3BEJ, Mark KA3JUU, Wayne K3WHH, Frank AD3M, Tom KC3FAU, Jeff N3GJB, Joe N1FLU, John N3LUD, Bill N3EDO, Tom AB8NG, Rob N3FJ, Steve N3TMK and Dave KC3AM. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Frank AD3M. There was a moment of silence for silent keys and fallen protectors of our country.

The business portion of the meeting was opened and Frank AD3M gave the agenda for the meeting. The reports of officers, Frank AD3M reported that nothing had been changed and there was not much for him to report. Dave KC3AM reported on his activity at the Brandywine tower and the repairing of the chain link fence. Wayne K3WHH read the minutes of the September 12, 2017. Frank AD3M proposed that the minutes be amended to reflect the gift of \$875.00 that was given by Joe N1FLU after the meeting for the purpose of having the antennas installed on the Newark tower. Minutes were voted on and passed. Wayne K3WHH gave the treasurer's report which was incomplete due to an error in the printing. The totals and amounts were given verbally with a printed account to be sent out in an email (which was done). Motion was made by Joe N1FLU and seconded by Mark KA3JUU to accept the report as read. The motion passed.

Bill W3DE gave a report from Paul K3PGM on the installation of the MESH network on the Windy Hills water tower that is to be done when the antennas are installed. All of the hardware is up and running and ready to be installed. Bill W3DE then discussed the location of the meeting and what was involved in getting the room. Prior to the next meeting the new secretary will send out a survey to the membership about the meeting place and dates.

The nomination committee list of recommended officers for 2018 are as follows:

President	AD3M Frank Filipkowski
Vice President	KC3FM Dave Stepnowski
Treasurer	KA3JUU Mark Stillman
Secretary	KC3BEJ Dave Scott
Directors	N3LUD John DiGiovanni and W3LDG Lee Gray
Trustee	W3DE Bill Greenhalgh
Program Director	N3EDO Bill Bouchard

No other nominations were made from the floor. Having no other nominations, AD3M Frank declared these officers elected by unanimous consent or acclimation according to Article 2 Section 3 of the DRA constitution.

Under new business, KC3AM Dave brought up the 146.955 A3UIJ repeater and his desire to keep the repeater on the air. He asked if the DRA would like to take over the responsibility for the repeater and what would be involved with this. Motion was made and seconded to investigate the feasibility of the DRA taking this repeater and keeping it as separate entity. This would also be sent out on the survey by the new secretary with the meeting information to poll the membership on this subject.

There was no old business. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn.

Following the meeting, Bill W3DE made a report on his presentation to the RCA in Pittsburg.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne K3WHH

Personal note: I would like to thank you all for your confidence and support as I have served as both Secretary and Treasurer for these past several years.