Minutes of the SEMARC Membership Meeting, October 31, 2023 (Approved November 28, 2023)

The meeting was held at St. Luke Lutheran Church in Cottage Grove MN. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by President Dave Larson KEØHAL. Also in attendance were members Jordan Dohnalik KFØNZI, Dan Franz WDØGUP, Chuck Hanson NAØL, Joe Hibberd W3QLC, Roger Holger AEØTE, Dwayne Lovelady NØWUE, Dale Mathisen NØVXH, Bruce MacDonald KFØNOK, Brian McInerney NØBM, George Power KØGCP, Dick Roberts NØUC and Dave Schultz KBØSED.

Minutes of the September 26 meeting were approved as distributed. (MSA: McInerney, Larson, all)

Treasurer's Report: McInerney reported for Treasurer Blume the fund balance beginning in September was \$15,748.40 and ended with \$15,532.06. Bank reconciled.

Committee Reports:

- 1. Repeater: Roberts reported the leases with the city of Cottage Grove have been signed and will go to city council in November.
- 2. VE: Franz reported the October 21 session had 2 candidates. One (1) earned a Technician license and 1 candidate upgraded to Amateur Extra.
- 3. Program: Roberts reported Hanson will do tonight's program on hot spots, and McInerney will do the program for the November meeting.

Operating events: McInerney reported the following proposed events for 2024:

- January 27-28 Winter Field Day at Fire Station #3
- February 3 Intra-club Minnesota QSO Party competition
- March open
- April Fox Hunt
- May Railroad event at Newport Tower
- June 22-23 ARRL Field Day
- July POTA
- August 20 Special event/POTA, National Radio Day
- September POTA
- October Fox Hunt
- November Sweepstakes, CW and SSB; intra-club competition at member QTH or club event at Fire Station #3
- December open

Old Business: Roberts reported he will request the Repeater Council for new certification for the 146.985 repeater.

New Business:

- 1. Roberts presented the Nominating Committee recommendations for the following officers for 2024:
 - President Dan Franz WDØGUP
 - Vice President Dick Roberts NØUC
 - Secretary Joe Hibberd W3QLC
 - Treasurer Dave Blume KDØIRF
 - Trustee Dave Schultz KBØSED
 - Members At Large Dave Larson KEØHAL and Brian McInerney NØBM (both for 2 years)

Chuck Hanson NAØL has one (1) more year in his term as Member At Large.

Roberts made three (3) calls for more nominations; none were made. Motion to approve the slate and move it to the November meeting for approval as required by the By-Laws. (MSA: Schultz, McInerney, all)

2. Larson and Hanson volunteered to organize the annual meeting in January.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM. (MSA: McInerney, Franz, all)

Respectfully submitted, Joe Hibberd W3QLC Secretary