



Minutes of the SEMARC Board Meeting February 10, 2026

Members present: Chuck Hanson (NA0L), Dick Roberts (N0UC), Dale Mathisen (K0DTM), Dan Franz (WD0GUP), Bruce MacDonald (KF0NOK), Dave Larson (KE0HAL), Dave Schultz (KB0SED)

Dan (WD0GUP) opened the meeting at 7:02

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- The meeting focused on updates from the annual meeting, membership renewals, financial status, An in-person annual membership meeting is held at the St. Luke Lutheran Church & included a light meal. The meeting started with a round of introductions, and an appeal for another 3 members to participate as VE candidates - participate in the rotation through 2026.
- January meeting minutes were approved (Dan/Dave B)
- scholarship timelines, and improving communication.
Our work is complete but the ARRL closes applications on 12/31/25, so next opportunity for people is 2027. This effects 2026 only.
- The meeting discussed recent activities and updates from the annual meeting.
We have the MN QSO Party in February, and look for March events(s).
- Participants enjoyed reconnecting at the annual meeting and shared positive feedback.
- Membership renewals are lower than usual, with several members yet to sign up.
Do we need to sent renewal notices & publish progress
- Financial report indicated a balance of \$17,362.35 for January 2026.
 $\$17,322.35 + \$40 = \$17,362.35$, matches bank statement
- VE sessions average about 50/year, 2025 was down somewhat
- Scholarship program timelines were updated, impacting application deadlines for students.
(see notes, above)
- Winter Field Day had 330 contacts despite challenging conditions; participants enjoyed the event.
Bruce: SARA Frozen Station, Dan: 80 meter net is ongoing
- The committee plans to improve communication regarding membership renewals and scholarship opportunities.
- Web Site needs Programs reference updated ([link](#))

7:40 Meeting Adjourned (DaveB // Dale)