

Minutes of the May 27, 2025 SEMARC Member Meeting

Members Present:

N0UC; KF0UFC; K0JJD, N0BM; WD0GUP; KA0HYR; KD0IRF; KB0SED; KE0HAL; KC0QCO; WK0X; K0OOI; KF0NOK; K0DTM; KA8VHF; W7EEC; KF9CP; KD0MHE.

Meeting Start:

The meeting convened at 7:03 and the presentation by Gary Mikitin, AF8A began at 7:05 PM. The presentation concluded at 7:47 PM. A sort Break was allowed before the business meeting began.

Business Meeting:

WD0GUP convened the business meeting at 7:52.

The Treasurer's report was given by KD0IRF. Dave reported an initial balance of \$17,707.35, with income of \$80 and no expenses for the period. The revised balance was \$17,787.35. Dave reminded members that the scholarship fund was the largest component of the treasury.

President's Report:

Dan, WD0GUP reported he had no special items to report; although he did comment he would be on the road later this summer and was looking forward to operating portable.

Committee Reports:

N0BM reported on the special event celebrating Armed Forces Day. Eleven members participated. Club members, also veterans and present, discussed their time in the armed services and where they were stationed. Brian reported that band conditions were poor. Despite that, the group labored to make more than 30 contacts on SSB, CW and FT8, with the majority of Qs on FT8.

Dave, KD0IRF reported on Field Day Plans. The club will operate from Fire Station #3, as a 2A entry. There will also be a GOTA station, which will operate under the KD0IRF call sign. Dave is presently updating the surface devices for networking for FD. There will be a talk-in on the main SEMARC repeater. Dave indicated that the meal would be loose hamburger sandwiches, an Iowa favorite. Dave asked that members bring potluck contributions, too. He asked that those contributing consult with him; he is looking to avoid 15 bags of chips yet have a good mix of sides.

Dan, WD0GUP gave the VE report. Our last session yielded two new technicians

John, KA0HYR, reported on the REP drill in early June. Some details regarding training are still being ironed out. Look for more information from John and other ARES members.

Dan, WD0GUP and Brian, N0BM led a discussion on ways to increase member activity, recruit new members and grow the club. Many good suggestions and comments were made by the members. The Board will continue the discussion at its next meeting.

Adjournment:

N0BM moved, seconded by KB0SED to adjourn the meeting. Motion was unanimously passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:45.