

Northeast Wisconsin DX Association
(NEWDXA)
Minutes
November 7, 2020

Call to order The November meeting of NEWDXA was called to order by President Tom AA9A at 10:30 a.m. on ZOOM with 18 members present.

Minutes/Financials

The minutes of the September meeting were approved as read. The treasury shows a balance of \$ 3,120.94. Email reminders continue to be sent to members whose dues are in arrears.

DX Report Mike N9UA reviewed the DXpeditions listed on the NG3K website. We may wish to consider supporting next year's CY0C Sable Island. As always, check the NG3K website (link on NEWDXA page) for updates.

Contest Report

ARRL Sweepstakes CW contest is this weekend.
ARRL Sweepstakes Phone - November 21-23
CQ WW DX SSB – November 28-29
160 meter – December 4-6
10 meter – December 12-13
Rookie Roundup CW – December 20
RTTY Roundup – January 2-3
Band conditions are improving with the beginning of the new solar cycle.

Membership Report

No new members proposed. We observed a moment of silence to acknowledge the passing of Life Member Fred Martin NU9P who passed away in October. <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/fdlreporter/obituary.aspx?n=l-fred-martin&pid=197004749&fhid=16358>
Anne KC9YL reported that we had a quorum of active members at the meeting. If you know of anyone who would be interested in joining NEWDXA, please have them contact any of the officers for more information. KC9YL has brochures for distribution.

Old/New Business

It was decided to table the suggestion at September's meeting to consider a donation to support ARRL's LOTW. Those present agreed to submit proposed bylaw changes to the membership. Suggested changes would allow for mail-in/electronic voting for officer elections in the event we do not have a quorum at the scheduled annual meeting, allow electronic voting, and shorten the grace period for members whose dues are in arrears. Anne KC9YL will send that out as an email/SurveyMonkey to all members for their approval. Members sending QSL cards need to consider postal restrictions due to Covid-19. While you will be reimbursed for an international letter that is returned to you, please check with USPS before you send. <https://about.usps.com/newsroom/service-alerts/international/welcome.htm>

Meeting dates were tentatively scheduled for 2021. January's meeting will be held on ZOOM. Mike N9UA and Tom AA9A will search out possibilities for future in-person meeting venues, considering options for weekday and/or evening gatherings. The Golden Corral remains closed at this time.

2021 NEWDXA MEETINGS
TUESDAY, January 12, 2021 (7:00 p.m. ZOOM)
Saturday, May 15, 2021
Saturday, September 18, 2021
Saturday, November 6, 2021

Election of Officers

The following were voted in to continue as officers for 2021.
Vice President - Mark W9OP
Treasurer - Jim K8IR
Director - Mike N9UA

Program Ideas

Since the club now has a ZOOM account, we hope to add more frequent presentations/gatherings. (There was also interest in additional in-person get-togethers once conditions allow). If you have any program or guest speaker ideas please contact Mike N9UA.

Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Open Forum/Program

W3UR Bernie presentation on the top 25 most-wanted DXCC entities.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zCYFIFOsTUg>

Current Year DXpedition Donations –

9J2LA – Zambia – March 4-15, 2020 (donated \$100)
T30ET – West Kiribati – March 18 – April 5, 2020 (donated \$100)
KH4 – Midway Island – October 1-14, 2020 (donated \$100) POSTPONED
4W – Timor Leste – October 25 – Nov. 30, 2020 (donated \$100) POSTPONED

Next meeting TUESDAY, January 12, 2020 –7:00 pm – on ZOOM

*Respectfully submitted,
Anne Dirkman KC9YL
November 9, 2020*