

Tri-State Amateur radio Society

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 1/01/2026

Meeting called to order by __Scott KD4SIR__ at 06:30PM CST.

Board Members/Officers Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Hibbs KD4SIR, President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jerry McCintosh WB9ONU, Vice President |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Hilgeman KD9PFH Treasurer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Van Vorst N9oL, Secretary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mark Holland KD0EE, Dir (2026-27) | <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Brewster KO9O, Dir (2026-27) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charlie Martin WB8LDV Dir (2025-26) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Josh Gibson KE9BAH (2026-27) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Herb KB9MZH, Dir (2025-26) | <input type="checkbox"/> Bruce Hatfield, Dir (2025-26) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chris ke9yk | <input type="checkbox"/> Dave Sandine KC9UUG |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Terry Stuckey AB9JK | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave wb9yig |

Reading of officer reports:

Treasurers Report Report ending 12/31/2025 read by Tom kd9pfh – Motion to accept by John N9oL seconded by Charlie wb8ldv. Report was accepted.

Secretary's Report – read by John N9oL- motion to accept by Charlie wb8ldv, seconded by Herbie kb9mzh. Report accepted.

Business discussed-

Eating before the meeting in January – Mission BBQ

Scott mentioned that ALL officers are the welcome committee.

Scott mentioned the need for some amendment considerations to the constitution and by-laws.

Fox hunt – Dec 20.

- Walt wb4zut was the fox. There were 8 or 9 hunters, and everyone found the fox except Scott.
- It was a fun event.

Scott has 3 or 4 laptops to prepare for the VE testing team. We talked about online testing starting in January 2026.

Picture directory – Scott is trying to ID some of the pictures.

Repeater Committee-

- N9oL discussed the status of the Deaconess node. No change in status. Still not online and will likely need another solution for internet connection or moved to another location. Under discussion by repeater committee.

Hamvention 2026 – club flea market rate for 2 spaces is \$150. Propose the club pay for this this year. Tom kd9pfh made motion to pay, Scott kd4sir seconded. Motion passed.

Winter Field Day – Jan 24-25 2026

- At Red Cross , will have 2 stations, birthday cake for Charlie, fun.
- Event start s at 1. May operate on Sunday if there is interest.

POTA SOTA event planning meeting – lots of discussion but no real decisions made on when and where to go.

Antenna parties –

- Chris ke9yk needs some lines shot into trees to raise his loop. Scott and Jerry will try to catch up with Chris.
- Deb needs some work on her GAP Titan
- Gordon WR9W needs assistance with his tower. He may have this done but not sure.

February Banquet

- Need to verify with Mark kd0ee to verify we are all set.
- Will be at Golden Corral at 5:30 on Feb 12.

Future meetings-

- January – POTA demo and POTA show and tell.
- February – Banquet at Golden Corral
- April – Balun presentation
- ?? – Dennis Martin wa2usa
- ?? - Meshtastic discussion.

Chris ke9yk voiced concern about the amount of advanced planning being done for our events. It makes it tough to get info out regarding events. We need to have things planned

AT LEAST 2 months in advance and information sent to members at least 2 months in advance.

Notion to adjourn made by Charlie, seconded by n9ol.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM CDT.

Tri-state Amateur Radio Society			
Financial Report for November 2025			
Amateur Radio Society Primary Account			
Opening Balance:			\$11,208.99
TARS sub-accounts			
General Fund sub-account			
Opening Bal		\$4,952.43	
Receipts:			
Membership	\$25.00		
Total Receipts --->>		\$25.00	
Expenditures:			
None			
Total Expenditures---->>		\$0.00	
Ending Balance General Fund		\$4,977.43	
Repeater Maint & Investment - Restricted acct			
Opening Balance		\$4,804.57	
Receipts:			
Expenditures:			
Ending Balance of Repeater Restrcted sub-account		\$4,804.57	
Red Cross Fund - Restricted Acct			
Opening Balance		\$1,451.99	
Receipts:			
For November VE Room	\$35.00		
Total Receipts --->>		\$35.00	
Expenditures:			
None			
Total Expenditures---->>		\$0.00	
Ending Balance of Red Cross Restrcted sub-account		\$1,486.99	
Ending Balance - TARS primary Checking Account			\$11,268.99
TARS IGC (IN Gaming Commission) restricted checking account:			
Opening Balance		\$1,516.12	
Receipts:			
None			
Total Receipts --->>		\$0.00	
Expenditures:			
None			
Total Expenditures---->>		\$0.00	
Ending Balance of IGC Restrcted checking account			\$1,516.12

November Balance Sheet				
\$4,977.43	General Funds Balance on 11/22/25			
\$4,804.57	Repeater Account Tab			
\$1,486.99	Red Cross			
(\$66.95)	Petty Cash			
\$0.00	Not on November Statement			
(\$5.00)	Savings			
\$11,197.04	November Spread Sheet Balance			
\$11,197.04	Statement Balance			
(\$0.00)				