

PSRG Board Meeting

June 12th, 2021, 13:30

Via Zoom



1. **Meeting called to order** at 13:35.
2. **Board members present :**
Kirsten N2BRN, Quentin K7DRQ, Doug KD7DK, Jack KI7RMU.

Old Business

3. **Previous meetings** approved unanimously.
4. **6m repeater project.** Update from Doug KD7DK : the first antenna has been installed with help from Alan AC7MX at Beacon Hill; we have identified a mounting location for an antenna at Capitol Park. The 6m system will be based on Allstar, as is our current 2m system. We do not intend to link them full-time, but will link them during the weekly PSRG net and the ACS net; they will probably not be linked during the Nine O'clock Net or the Noon Net. We aim to run the transmitter at 30W and into an amplifier pushing 200W.
5. **Webpage changes.** Update from Rich K7RCH : things are in transition, but we aim to simplify the menu system and make things easier to find. Rich is open to suggestions and continues to work on moving things around. He and Quentin K7DRQ are still to test the new membership plugin. Rich also has a new tool to remove certain posts by some fixed time -- for instance, to remove board meeting notices after the meetings take place. Rich K7RCH is also evaluating accessibility on the website to ensure we improve our accessibility status. Jym W7JYM has volunteered his help around accessibility.
6. **Field Day.** There are three groups that have collaborated in the past and will do so again this year : PSRG, Seattle ACS, and West Seattle ARC. Guidance from the ARRL is very similar to last year, with the event being "remote" or "socially distanced". Detailed instructions will be made available for online log submission soon. We will do a Field Day Briefing Zoom call the week of Field Day.
7. **Annual Picnic.** The Annual Picnic is back this year at Magnolia Park on Sunday July 25th, starting around 11:00. The Rain or Shine Net will be running there, as well as the Noon Net. Jack KI7RMU will speak with Todd WA7FOX about food, but we will also run a potluck-style picnic. We will be running an HF station and a fox hunt, thanks to foxes from Curt WR5J.

New Business

8. **Tim WT1IM stepping down from the Board.** Due to his new role at Director of Seattle ACS, Tim WT1IM has stepped down from his role as Vice President with the PSRG. Jack KI7RMU has volunteered to take up Tim's role until the next Annual General Meeting. The Board wishes to take the time to consider who they wish to appoint to the newly-open Board Position. Doug KD7DK is beginning to go through paperwork from BECU to ensure the correct signatories are on the Group's bank accounts.
9. **Mark Sheppard N7LYE, SK.** Mark's last days were well spent with his family and he passed peacefully. He leaves behind a strong legacy with the Seattle ACS and the Seattle Office of Emergency Management.

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10. **PSRG QSO Party.** The PSRG QSO Party is well under way ! Look out for Field Day or Rain or Shine Nets for great opportunities to score some points.

Standing Committee Reports

11. **Treasurer's report.**

We have

- \$2,021.77 in checking
- \$7,351.54 in savings
- \$61.00 in PayPal.

12. **Technical Committee report.**

All repeater systems are fully functional. We may get the potential to deploy another satellite receiver at a great location, and we have the hardware; more details to come if the opportunity materialises.

The Boeing Employees Amateur Radio group will be putting up a DMR repeater on East Tiger Mountain, and we may be linking our DMR systems to this repeater.

13. **Net Manager's report.**

Things are going well. Jack KI7RMU has been working with new net hosts to integrate them across different nets. Louis W7DBB got to try his hand at net hosting for the first time and ran a great net.

Closing

14. **Motion to adjourn** made at 14:32 made by Jack KI7RMU, seconded by Quentin K7DRQ, and approved by all.