

# Matanuska Amateur Radio Association General Meeting

Valley Church of Christ August 29, 2025

The meeting was Called to Order at 7:07 pm. Any new hams were introduced, and Roll Call was completed, reflecting that there were 10 people in attendance and a Quorum was established

Approval of Agenda/Additions as a guide with the additions as stated by attendees – John Carrington, KL1XM, motioned, and Ken Hudson, KL2HF, seconded, and unanimously approved by attendees.

<u>President</u>'s Report: Scott McCormick, KL7SLM – there are several upcoming events and will need assistance from club members with setup and take down

Vice-President's Report: Ken Hudson, KL2HF – nothing new

Treasurer's Report: John Carrington, KL1XM

General \$4,700 Book \$814.44

Expenses \$1,800 due soon, plus \$200 to MyHouse. Heard

from MyHouse that they received the club's \$200 making a total of \$1,300 donated in honor of Betty

<u>Secretary</u>'s Report: Shelia Olson, KL3SRO – have sent out latest edition of the MARA Voice, still working on getting meeting minutes caught up, taking nominations for upcoming Board elections until 10/1 and will create ballot

Sunshine Committee: Shelia Olson, KL3SRO – no new cards or flowers sent

Events planner: Shelia Olson, KL3SRO – next events are Ham Fest on 9/6 at WASI, creating day's agenda that will include presentations by ARRL and satellite passes, door prize drawing time(s), and club is preparing for the Mat-Su Emergency Expo on 9/20 (date was changed from 9/27 by EOC) at Menard Center

VE Report: Ken Hudson, KL2HF – had 1 person test and passed to general

Licensing Classes:

\*\*POSITION OPEN\*\*

Website Facilitator: Don Bush, KL7JFT – events are updated on website, just need the signed minutes from previous general meetings, facebook is also updated with upcoming events

ARES Report: Don Bush, KL7JFT – prepping for upcoming trainings and need people to sign up to help with JOTA by 10/10 or will cancel having the trailers onsite

Repeaters Update: Don Bush, KL7JFT – status quo, still waiting on grubstake repairs, UHF working good, VHF is iffy

Trailer Committee: Scott McCormick, KL7SLM – replaced batteries from AGM's that depleted charge, froze, and exploded when trying to recharge, now have lithium batteries that are installed and programmed

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- 1. MARA Luncheon, September 25 @1130, Denali family restaurant
- 2. MARA General Meeting, September 26 @1900, Valley Church of Christ
- 3. Licensing Exams, \*POC: Ken KL2HF\* September 27 @1900, WASI
- 4. MARA Board Meeting, September 3 @1900 WASI

#### **Presentation:**

1. Communications Trailer Setup Don KL7JFT & Scott KL7SLM – inside the trailer attendees were given a rundown of what is stored in the cabinets, location of radios, laptops, notebook of step-by-step instructions on setting up the equipment, and necessity to follow set up instructions so equipment functions correctly each time

John Carrington, KL1XM, motioned to move the meeting to the trailer and do the door prize drawings after training, Margaret Parker, KL4OP, seconded the motion, and was unanimously approved by attendees.

#### Drawing for door prize

## Announcements/Good of the Order/Adjournment

Need more net control operators, contact Don, KL7JFT if interested

### Adjournment

John Carrington, KL1XM, motioned and Mark Olson, Kl3MRO, seconded to adjourn the meeting. President Scott McCormick, KL7SLM, adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott McCormick, KL7SLM

President

MARA Board of Directors

Shelia Olson, KL3SRO

Secretary

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