

**NORTHEAST LOUISIANA AMATEUR RADIO Club**  
**April 2, 2019**

At the Ouachita Valley Public Library on McMillan

In the absence of Jim Ragsdale, W5LA, Vice-President Mark Ketchell, K5ER, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. There were 16 present.

Frank Adams, KK5CF, gave the financial report in the absence of Ruth Ragsdale, WM5LA.

**NELARC NEWS:**

- Hamfest update
  - April 27, 2019 at the West Monroe Convention Center
  - W5L special event will begin at the Hamfest with Scott Dickson, W5WZ, operating.
- New hams net (Elmer Net) meets at 8:00 PM on Sundays on the 146.85 repeater.
- Next meeting @ Geneva Academy, 715 Cypress Street, West Monroe. Enter the building on the Crosley Street side.

**ARES:**

- Duffy Frantom, KD5IDZ, reported on upcoming security drill.
- Run for the Cross is upcoming.

**Program:**

Mark Ketchell, K5ER, led a discussion on how everyone got into the hobby of ham radio. Several participated in the discussion.

Meeting was adjourned by Jim Mark Ketchell, K5ER at 7:59 PM

## PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION AND BYLAWS

**Text Removed**

**Text Added**

### REVISION #1:

#### Current Paragraph 2 of the Articles of Organization:

The officers of this club shall be a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary/Treasurer. **These three officers together with the immediate past-President and two members appointed by the newly elected president for a one-year term shall serve as voting members of the Board of Directors. In addition, three Associate Directors shall serve, but will have no voting rights. They will be current holders of these positions: Club Webmaster, Club Licensing Testing Coordinator, and Ouachita Parish ARES Emergency Coordinator.** The President shall be the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

#### Proposed change:

The officers of this club shall be a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary/Treasurer. **Two Directors will be appointed by the newly elected president, and two Board Advisors will be appointed by the Board, each for a one-year term. The three officers, together with the immediate past-President, Directors and Advisors shall serve as voting members of the Board of Directors.** The President shall be the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

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### REVISION #2:

#### Section 8 of the Bylaws (Membership/Dues)

##### Add:

**Any newly licensed operator can become a member with dues waived for the remainder of the year in which they were licensed. In the following year, if they have been licensed less than three months, their dues will be waived.**

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### REVISION #3:

#### Section 9 of the Bylaws (Student membership)

##### Currently:

9. A student membership shall be available only to full time students in any public or private school system.

##### Proposed:

9. A student membership shall be available only to full time students in any public or private school system. **If the student is a member of an active school amateur radio club, the dues will be waived.**