

**Emerald Amateur Radio Society (EARS)  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
February 11, 2026 at 3:30 PM (Via Zoom)**

**Call to Order**

**Secretary's report from January 20, 2026 Membership meeting with results of Board of Directors and Officers election.**

**Roll Call of Officers and Directors present at the meeting:**

Steve Moreen - President, Bill Phillips – Vice President, Howard Saxion - Treasurer, Glenn Stutaman – Secretary, Bob Walters – Member at Large.

**Draft agenda for the February 11th board meeting was approved with no changes**

**Assignment of the following operational duties and an update on the associated transitions:**

**Net Manager** - From Vice President to Glenn Stutzman KJ7JIV

**Meeting Presenter Committee Chair** - From Vice President to Howard Saxion WX7HS

**Monthly Breakfast and social events Coordinator** – From Vice President to Bill Phillips WA7AJP

**Public Outreach** – From Vice President to Steve Moreen N7AQ

**VE Testing Session** – Remains with Bob Walters AD7Z

**WA7FQD Trustee** – Remains with Steve Moreen N7AQ

The President and Treasurer's EARS emails account have been transitioned. The Vice President and Secretary's accounts will be next.

**Reports**

• Treasurer

Howard reported that the EARS bank account signers will be moved to the current Treasurer and President. He moved that Resolution 2026-1 which contains the language required by Columbia Bank to change Account Signatories be adopted. The Resolution was seconded by Glenn and passed unanimously. Glenn agreed to sign the resolution and email the document to Howard.

Howard reported that he had installed Square for online payments, enabling credit card payments at meetings for dues.

Howard is waiting for the Oregon Secretary of State, Oregon Department of Justice and IRS logins from the previous Board Members.

Howard indicated that the ARRL Annual Report has been filed.

• Secretary

Glenn read the January 20 membership meeting minutes regarding the Board of Directors elections at the opening of the Board meeting as listed above.

• Programs – Howard listed the following meeting presentations and invited Board Members to make suggestions as to future meeting topics:

Feb - Scott Wood Region 4 Director, ORRC - Presentation about repeater coordination

March -- Mike Pecor – Scouting and Amateur Radio

April – Presenter TBA - Solar Cycle 25 Update

• Trustee Report – EARS Repeater and Radio Room Update

Glenn and Steve assisted Case Communications in the replacement of the repeater and feed line on January 23<sup>rd</sup> with an immediate improvement of the repeater's operation.

Steve made a motion to remove and sell at the Rickreall Hamfair, the obsolete radio gear stored at the repeater. The motion was seconded by Bob and passed unanimously.

### **Old Business**

- Glenn to provide Conflict of Interest form at general meeting for board members to sign
- Change of authorized signers on EARS checking account. Matter handled as part of Treasurer's report.

### **New Business**

- Steve motioned that EARS pay for a table at the Salem Hamfair on February 21, 2026. The table would have surplus items from the EARS repeater building, items no longer needed in the EARS shack and items EARS members want to sell. Bill seconded the motion. It was discussed that members would be limited to the sale of two items. The total cost of the table would be \$30. The motion passed unanimously.
- Glenn motioned and Bill seconded that a committee be formed to determine what items need to be sold from the EARS shack at the Salem Hamfair. Bob will head committee to decide disposition. The motion passed unanimously.
- Creation of Membership Committee – Item to be carried over to next meeting
- Steve proposed development of annual EARS calendar to guide the activities of EARS with initial items consisting of:

Rickreall Hamfair- 2/2/26,  
Rickreall Swaptober Fest – October  
Eugene Ham Swap - 6/20/2026  
ARRL Field Day – 6/27/2026  
Winter Field Day  
7QP  
Springfield Block Party.

No action taken on this item

- Steve announced that EARS will work with ARES in providing a table at East Springfield Preparedness Fair, Saturday March 7, 2026 Eastside Baptist Ch. 4045 Commercial St. Springfield, OR 97474. A request for EARS members to staff the table will be made to the general membership.
- Steve suggested that a common on-line electronic file system be established for all EARS electronic records. One possible provider for this would be Microsoft OneDrive. Steve will make a recommendation at a future meeting.
- Steve asked about adding the EARS Post Office Box to the website. No one objected to this and Howard indicated he would do so.

Next meeting will take place 3/11/26

**Adjournment** - 4:45 PM