





The Official Newsletter of the Fox River Radio League, Est. 1924 Our 95th Year in Amateur Radio!

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About Us

The Fox River Radio League, Inc. is a general interest Amateur Radio club serving the central Fox River Valley area in Illinois. Club records indicate the club has been in existence since at least 1924, and it has functioned continuously ever since. We are an ARRL Special Service Club, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation, and a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization as specified in Federal IRS Statutes.

We sponsor training classes for those seeking a new or upgraded Amateur Radio license, license examination sessions, and participation in various local Public Service events. Our membership covers a broad variety of interests - if you have a specialized amateur radio interest, you will likely find camaraderie with one or more of our club members.

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at Bethany Lutheran Church, located at 8 S. Lincoln St. in Batavia, Ill. The meeting begins at 7:30 PM and includes a short business portion, social time and a program presentation of interest.

Meetings are open to the public. Anyone interested in the amateur radio hobby are invited to attend. Family members are welcome.

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The FRRL ArcOver Newsletter is published monthly by the Fox River Radio League, Inc. Submission deadline for all news articles, items, and information is the 3rd Tuesday of each month for inclusion by the next publishing date. Please submit any such requests to newsletter@frrl.org.

2019 Membership Dues

Regular Dues: \$30 | Family Dues: \$40 | Sr. Citizen / Active Military / Student (full time under 22): \$25 Repeater Support: \$10 donation

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President's Traffic

From the President's Desk

WOW. It is Field Day already. This year's event is really ambitious: 7 stations, GOTA (Get On The Air), VHF/UHF, voice, morse code, digital, and maybe satellite. There will be something for everyone. What do we need? YOU! We need operators. Come out and see the action! Find a station that needs an operator or log keeper, take a seat and get started. It is that easy. If you have never operated HF come out and try it. This is a great opportunity to try out equipment or modes that you may not have the ability to use at home.

It seems that every month I am talking about change and this month is no different. At the May membership meeting a series of

amendments to the club's bylaws were proposed, a few changes to amendments were approved and the amendments as a whole were tabled until the June membership meeting where they will be voted on as a package. The amendments are included in this newsletter and will be posted on our website at www.frrl.org. Please attend the June membership meeting and vote to approve the amendments to our bylaws.

A special election will be held at the June membership meeting. This will be for the director position vacated by Lance W9QB. This position's term expires in December. Nominations were opened at the May meeting and Mike WX9SPL



was nominated from the floor. In addition John W9JDM has taken on the role of ArcOver editor. Chris KC9BKS has asked that we find someone to take on the management of the FRRL website and FRRL groups.io systems. Contact me at president@frrl.org or Chris at webmaster@frrl.org if you are interested in this position.

-Dan W9STS

Test Your Knowledge!

Each month the ArcOver will post 3 Exam Test Pool Questions to challenge you - one from each of the Technician, General, and Extra Class License Exams. Answers will be hidden throughout the ArcOver.

Technician - T0B03

Under what circumstances is it safe to climb a tower without a helper or observer?

- A. When no electrical work is being performed
- B. When no mechanical work is being performed
- C. When the work being done is not more than 20 feet above the ground
- D. Never

General - G3A03

Approximately how long does it take the increased ultraviolet and X-ray radiation from solar flares to affect radio propagation on the Earth?

- A. 28 days
- B. 1 to 2 hours
- C. 8 minutes
- D. 20 to 40 hours

Extra - E1B11

What is the permitted mean power of any spurious emission relative to the mean power of the fundamental emission from a station transmitter or external RF amplifier installed after January 1, 2003 and transmitting on a frequency below 30 MHZ?

- A. At least 43 dB below
- B. At least 53 dB below
- C. At least 63 dB below
- D. At least 73 dB below



Member Traffic

A place for you, our FRRL members, to come share your thoughts, voice your opinions, and talk about any topics that may be of general interest to the FRRL club or Amateur Radio in general.



FRRL Volunteers on the morning of the MS Walk event. Left to Right: Ken KE9NM, Mark K9MEV, John W9JDM, Dan W9STS, Priscilla AE9PM, Dave W9BOO, Gordie AA5TN. Not pictured: E.J. KD9MIO

Dear MS Walk Volunteers,

THANK YOU ALL for coming out and volunteering your time and talent. All Hams did a great job, kudos everyone! Thankfully, there were no major incidents this year, but the MS Walk staff expressed their appreciation of our support.

73, Priscilla AE9PM

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Dear All,

I am excited to take over the responsibility of the ArcOver Newsletter. I want to incorporate more photos of our members and events into the newsletter, so if you see me at an FRRL event with a camera, please smile and say hi!

I am always looking for additional content, particularly for the

Member Traffic section on this page. If you have anything you'd like to share with your fellow FRRL members, please email me at newsletter@frrl.org. I can also be found at our monthly board and member meetings if you would rather meet me in person.

73, John W9JDM ~

Hello All -

I was able to repair a number of problems with the W9CEQ Dstar system. Both UHF and VHF systems gateways had issues related to the new upgrade from G2 to G3 systems. Amongst the various issues was the fact that the routing tables had been corrupted. After reloading the latest tables, the normal synchronization with the US Root Trust Server returned, along with the more dependable operation.

If you encounter issues with the systems please email me directly at W9XA@yahoo.com

73, Kermit W9XA

Plea	New Members se welcome our newest memb	pers to the club!
Call	Name	License Class
W9NJP	James Griffin	Amateur Extra
N9TCA	Mark Caldwell	General
KC9UTT	William Zinn	Technician
Call	In Memoriam (Silent F	Keys)
Can	Name	Location



Upcoming Events

Come join us at an event - some are on the airwaves, and some are in person. This format is designed to be easy to print and hang on your fridge.

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- ©June 1, 8, 15, 29: Technician Class
 - 9am-noon
 - Golden Corral in Aurora, Ill.
- **B**June 4: Board Meeting
 - 7:00PM
 - Colonial Cafe in Aurora, Ill.
- NJune 4, 18, 25: Regular FRRL Net
 - 7:30PM
 - W9CEQ 2M Repeater
- MJune 11: Member Meeting
 - 7:30PM
 - Bethany Lutheran Church in Batavia, Ill.
 - Program: Gordon AA5TN / Denny W9HI / Dan WA9YKK Field Day Final Prep
- June 21-23: Field Day
 - Setup starts 10am Friday
 - Operating starts 1pm Saturday
 - Leroy Oakes Forest Preserve, St. ■July 27: VE Testing Charles, Ill.

- **B**July 2: Board Meeting
 - 7:00PM
 - Colonial Cafe in Aurora, Ill.
- - 7:30PM
 - W9CEQ 2M Repeater
- July 6, 13, 20: Technician Class
 - 9am-noon
 - Golden Corral in Aurora, Ill.
- ■July 9: Member Meeting
 - 7:30PM
 - Bethany Lutheran Church in Batavia, Ill.
 - Program: John KC9OJV Fredbox 2M QRP Transceiver
- **■**July 16: VE Testing
 - 7:00PM
 - Messenger Library in North Aurora, Ill.
- - 9:00AM
- Golden Corral in Aurora, Ill.

- **B** August 6: Board Meeting
 - 7:00PM
 - Colonial Cafe in Aurora
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 - 7:30PM
 - Bethany Lutheran Church in Batavia, Ill.
 - Program: Harry K9DXA I've Got a License, Now What?



Event Information

If you have an idea for an event, or would like to share details on an upcoming event, please reach out to John W9JDM at director2@frrl.org or Priscilla AE9PM at director3@frrl.org.

Technician Class

The Fox River Radio League (FRRL) is joining together with the Bolingbrook Amateur Radio Society (BARS) to co-present an Amateur Radio Technician Class license training course this summer.

This course is a FREE 10 week course where you will learn everything you need to receive your new Amateur (Ham) Radio Technician Class FCC radio license.

This class is designed for people who are new to the hobby, and are interested in finding out more about the world of the Amateur Radio. There is no prior license required. There is no age limit. There is only the need of interest in the Ham Radio hobby, and a willingness to learn. Be prepared for both interactive, group and individual study. There will be a VE test license exam on the last week of the course. ANYONE is invited to join the class or "sit in" as a refresher.

For more information and to sign up, please visit frrl.org/education.

Field Day

Field Day is Amateur Radio's Open House. On the 4th weekend in June, over 40,000 hams throughout North America set up temporary transmitting stations in public places to demonstrate amateur radio's science, skill, and service to our communities and nation. An annual event since 1933, it remains the most popular event in ham ra-

dio. ARRL Field Day is a picnic, a campout, practice for emergencies, an informal contest, and most of all, FUN!

As Dan Taddei talked about in the President's Traffic column, this year is shaping up to be one of the biggest yet for the FRRL. We are going to be class 7A with 9 transmitters. If you are interested in attending, helping, or both, please contact Gordon AA5TN, Denny W9HI, or Dan WA9YKK. More information can also be found at frrl.org/field-day.



Ham and a Sandwich

The first inaugural Ham and a Sandwich was a success. If you are interested in spending some time with others interested in ham radio face-to-face, this is the event for you! Keep an eye out on the groups.io message board or an ear out on the weekly net for the next event. These will be planned on fairly short notice to best accomodate the weather.



Repeater Information

Club sponsored or club affiliated local repeaters are listed below.

KC9OEM 2M

- 145.470 MHz, -600 KHz offset
- 103.5 Hz tone
- Net: Wed. 6:30PM
- Owned by Kane Co. OEM W9CEQ 2M
- 147.210 MHz, +600 KHz offset
- 103.5 Hz tone
- Net: Tues. 7:30PM (except second Tues. of month)
- Owned by FRRL W9CEQ 70CM
- 444.300 MHz, +5 MHz offset
- 114.8 Hz tone
- IRLP #4850, Echolink #230933
- Owned by FRRL

W9CEQ_B D-Star 70CM

- 442.10625 MHz, +5 MHz offset
- Contact W9XA for information W9CEQ_C D-Star 2M
- 147.225 MHz, +600 KHz offset
- Net: 8:00PM Wed.
- Contact W9XA for information W9XA/R 6M
- 53.910 MHz, -1.7 MHz offset
- No Tone

W9XA/R 70CM

- 443.65 MHz, +5 MHz offset
- 114.8 Hz tone
- Owned by W9XA

More repeater information can be found at frrl.org/repeaters.

Technician - T0B03

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D. Never



Meeting Minutes May 14, 2019

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the General Membership of the Fox River Radio League (FRRL), an Illinois notfor-profit Corporation. Held at Bethany Lutheran Church, Batavia, Ill.

The meeting was called to order at 19:30 CDT by President Dan W9STS. Audience introductions: Name, Call, QTH and "What is your next Ham Radio project or activity"?

Approval of April 2019 Member Meeting minutes: Motion was moved, seconded and accepted. There were 44 people present at this meeting.

Reports

Treasurer's Report Dan WA9YKK

Dan reported the following balances as of 05/03/2019: CHECKING: \$2141.89 SAVINGS: \$5092.04 PETTY CASH: \$97 CD: \$12157.47 REPEATER \$2236.04

Field Day/Repeater Jim N9XP

Dave N9XU reported on the nets. Gordie AA5TN updated the club on the status of Field Day. Operators are encouraged to sign up. The band captains were identified.

Classes/Programs/VE John W9JDM

John gave the current status of the Education Classes and upcoming VE Session. July program: John KC9OJV Transceiver Project. If you have a SIG topic please let John W9JDM know.

Outreach/Newsletter/PR Priscilla AE9PM

Reported on MS Walk (no incidents). Kane Cougars ball game



update. The New Ham Committee has started. If you want to help, please see Priscilla. Ham and a Sandwich was a success. Stay tuned to the NET and groups.io for upcoming events.

Tech/Membership/Groups.io Chris KC9BKS

The current member count is 124. If you wish to join the new group, send an email from the email address you wish to subscribe to groupadmin@frrl.org. After setup, your email address will be used as the sign on to the groups.io area.

General - G3A03

Approximately how long does it take the increased ultraviolet and X-ray radiation from solar flares to affect radio propagation on the Earth?

C. 8 minutes

Debby WX9VOR

Debby updated the group on several current ARES activities. Debbie gave details on a state-wide exercise. Debby also updated the club on Weather Spotting – Stay Watchful. Visit the website at http://kanecountyares.org or see Debby for further specific details on any event happening with ARES.

Repeater Report **Kermit W9XA**

It was reported that Kermit applied some fixes for D-Star.

Old Business

Bylaws Review Process

Dan W9STS summarized the review process. There was a short break and then the meeting reconvened to discuss the Bylaws (see below under: Program).





Come join the camaraderie at one of our monthly meetings! The social hour following the business portion is a great opportunity to meet your fellow hams.

Review of the Bylaws Amendments
Dan W9STS recognized the club
members responsible for participating in the Bylaws Review Committee.

New Business

Webmaster/Groups.io Manager

Chris KC9BKS will remain the Database Manager. Dan W9STS put the call out for someone to volunteer to help as being a webmaster and manager.

Vacant Director Position

A motion was received and seconded and carried for the following nominee: Mike WX9SPL. Details will be published in the next

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ArcOver and a vote will be taken by Membership at the next meeting.

ArcOver Editor

John Miller W9JDM will be the new ArcOver Editor.

Announcements

Pete K9PW is ordering foxhunting receivers. Please see him if you wish to order one.

Roger W9YU is in charge of the ARRL outgoing QSL Bureau.

Upcoming Events

May 14th Membership Meeting
May 18th and 26th Technician
Classes
May 21st VE Testing
June 1st, 8th, 15th and 29th Technician Classes
June 4th Board Meeting
June 11th Membership Meeting
June 21st – 23rd Field Day

Program

There was a brief intermission at 20:03. At 20:10, the meeting resumed and the Bylaws were

reviewed. Corrections were added. A change to Article V, Section 4 was motioned, seconded and accepted. The new amount is \$200. The remainder of changes were to correct spelling issues and an obvious oversight. [Ed. Note: A full copy of the by-laws with proposed revisions are attached to this edition of the ArcOver for your review.]

A motion was made to table the action until the next meeting. It was seconded and accepted.

Adjournment

A motion was received, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting. The member meeting was adjourned at 20:57 CDT.

Respectfully submitted, David Booher W9BOO FRRL Secretary



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ARRL News

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Dayton Hamvention Attracts a Happy Crowd

Dayton Hamvention®, hosting the 2019 ARRL National Convention, chalked up its third year at its new venue, the Greene County Fairgrounds and Expo Center in Xenia, Ohio. Amateur Radio's largest annual gathering took place May 17 - 19. Hamvention officials have not yet released a 2019 attendance figure, but last year's show drew 28,417 -- the third largest attendance ever. For many hams, Hamvention offers an opportunity each spring to renew old acquaintances and make new ones, and for manufacturers to debut their latest and greatest gear.

"These were some of the biggest crowds I've seen since Dayton Hamvention relocated to Xenia," ARRL Product Development Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R, said.

Hamvention visitors enjoyed largely comfortable weather, with some drizzle on opening day. By all accounts, the crowd was animated and amiable. This year marked the first that Hamvention offered free Sunday admission.

Springtime Section Manager Election Results Announced

In the only contested Section
Manager election this spring,
ARRL members in Utah have
re-elected Mel Parkes, NM7P, as
Section Manager for a new 2-year
term of office that starts on July
1. Parkes, of Layton, received 481
votes; his opponent, Pat Malan,
N7PAT, of South Jordan, received
233 votes. Parkes has served as
Section Manager since 1999. Ballots
were counted and verified at ARRL
Headquarters on May 21.

Elsewhere, John Gotthardt, K1UAF, of Wolfeboro, will become Section Manager of New Hampshire on July 1. He was the only nominee for the post after New Hampshire Section Manager Pete Stohrer, K1PJS, of Concord, decided not to run for a new term after serving since 2013. Gotthardt is currently the Section Traffic Manager and also serves as Net Manager and Official Relay Station.

Steve Ostrove, K2SO, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, will become the Northern New Jersey Section Manager once again in July.

FCC Re-Charters Technological Advisory Council for New Term

The FCC has re-chartered its Technological Advisory Council (TAC) for a 2-year term. Comprised of a diverse group of leading technology experts, the TAC provides technical expertise to the FCC to identify important areas of innovation and develop informed technology policies. Greg Lapin, N9GL, will continue to represent ARRL on the TAC.

"The TAC will consider and advise the Commission on a variety of topics such as the deployment of 5G technology, the evolution of broadband networks and devices and their implications, the spectrum needs of unmanned aircraft systems, new developments in antenna technology, and the applications of artificial intelligence to telecommunications networks," the FCC said in announcing the re-charter.

Ostrove previously served as Section Manager from 2016 until 2017. Northern New Jersey SM Rob Roschewsk, KA2PBT, decided not to run for a new term after serving for the past 2 years.

Several incumbent Section
Managers faced no opposition and
were declared re-elected to new
terms starting on July 1: Marty
Pittinger, KB3MXM (MarylandDC); John Bigley, N7UR (Nevada);
Bob Beaudet, W1YRC (Rhode
Island); Dan Pruitt, AE6SX (San
Joaquin Valley), and Dale Durham,
W5WI (West Texas).



THE FOX RIVER RADIO LEAGUE, INC. **BYLAWS**

ENACTMENT

The final draft of this document was read and approved by the membership present at the Fox River Radio League, Inc. meeting held on November 11, 1997 and was duly recorded in the minutes of that meeting by the Secretary. Subsequent amendments are recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which they were passed.

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BYLAWS

Article I - Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Fox River Radio League, Inc. The common abbreviation of this name shall be FRRL.

Article II - Purpose

- Section 1. The purpose of the Fox River Radio League, Inc. shall be to provide a vehicle for the exchange of technical information and for improving the operational skills and enjoyment of both its members and other persons in amateur radio communications. Further, to provide a pool of skilled operators and equipment for use in community service or in the event of a community or national disaster.
- Section 2. The Fox River Radio League Inc., is a Section 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt not-for-profit corporation as defined by Federal and State of Illinois Statutes.

Article III - Membership

- Section 1. All persons interested in amateur radio shall be eligible for membership in the Fox River Radio League, Inc. To be a member, an individual or family must be up to date in payment of FRRL dues. To be eligible to vote on FRRL business, individuals must hold a valid amateur radio license
- Section 2. The Board of Directors may, with the approval of the membership, grant Honorary (non-voting) membership in the Fox River Radio League, Inc. Honorary members shall not be required to pay dues. Honorary memberships shall automatically expire at each January membership meeting unless renewed for the following year by the Board of Directors.
- Section 3. The Board of Directors may, with the approval of the membership, grant Life membership in the Fox River Radio League, Inc. In order to be nominated for Life membership, a person must be able to prove licensed amateur radio status fifty (50) years prior to the nomination, and must have been a member of the FRRL for at least the last ten (10) consecutive years. A Life member shall have all the rights and privileges of a dues-paying member.
- Section 4. Persons wishing to join the FRRL for the first time, or an individual or family, New members or returning members whose membership has been lapsed more than one year, shall first be listed in the earliest following FRRL newsletter. Prospective members shall immediately enjoy all membership privileges except the right to participate in counted or balloted votes which shall be delayed two months from membership application receipt date.
- Section 4. New members or returning members whose membership has lapsed for more than one year shall immediately enjoy all membership privileges except the right to participate in counted or balloted votes which shall be delayed two months from membership application receipt date.

Article IV - Officers

- Section 1. The officers of the Fox River Radio League, Inc. shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- Section 2. All officers shall be FRRL members, and shall hold a valid amateur radio license.
- Section 3. The term of all officers shall be for one (1) year starting with the regular February membership meeting or the annual winter dinner party, whichever comes first, and shall expire at the start of the following year's February meeting or winter dinner party, whichever occurs first.

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Section 4. [New]

- Section 4. No two family members covered by or eligible for the same Family Membership may hold elected office or serve as a Director on the Board of Directors at the same time.
- Section 5. Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by a special election, to be held at the next regular membership meeting following the one at which the vacancy was officially recorded in the corporation minutes.
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Article V - Duties of Officers

- Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Fox River Radio League, Inc. and shall conduct same according to the rules adopted. The President shall enforce due observance of the FRRL Bylaws: decide all questions of order; sign all official documents that are adopted by the FRRL; appoint the Repeater Board, all committee chairmen chairs and, where specified, committee members; and shall perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of President. A member may serve as President for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms.
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- Section 4. The Treasurer shall receive all monies; pay all bills; and keep a just and regular account of the same. At each regular meeting, the Treasurer shall submit a financial report to the officers and the general membership. The Treasurer shall pay no bills greater than one hundred dollars (\$100) two hundred (\$200) for non-budgeted items without the approval of the general membership. All checks are to be

signed by the Treasurer and one of the following officers; the President, Vice-President, or Secretary. Check cosigners shall not be related by blood or marriage. The Treasurer shall maintain control of the Club Debit Card(s) and report transactions to the Board of Directors on a monthly basis. The Treasurer shall also provide financial documents to the board of directors for a quarterly review.

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Article VI - Directors

- Section 1. All Directors shall be FRRL members and shall hold a valid amateur radio license.
- Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of the Officers of the Fox River Radio League, four (4) Directors elected by the membership, and one (1) Director who is the Immediate Past President. The President shall act as Chairman of the Board of Directors.
- Section 3. The duties of the Board of Directors are to conduct the necessary business of the FRRL as may occur between membership meetings; provide direction and guidance in achieving the goals and objectives of the FRRL; and assist committees and the Repeater Board in making decisions necessary to support FRRL activities and functions. Decisions of the Board of Directors shall stand.
- Section 4. The four Directors elected to the Board by the membership shall serve staggered two (2) year terms, with two (2) Directors elected each year. Whenever necessary, the initial term of any newly elected Director may be reduced by the membership in order to ensure that the term of two directors expire each year.
- Section 5. The Immediate Past President shall serve as a Director until succeeded by the next retiring President. If the Immediate Past President is unable to serve as a Director, any other Past President shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year, or any fraction remaining, by the President, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors.
- Section 6. Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by a special election, to be held at the next regular membership meeting following the one at which the vacancy was officially recorded in the corporation minutes.

Article VII - Election of Officers and Directors

Section 1. Nominations: The Nominating Committee shall present, at the November meeting, a slate of candidates consisting of a minimum of one (1) name per office. Nominations shall also be accepted from the floor at only the November meeting. All nominations shall be published in the next issue of the FRRL Newsletter, or failing said publication, a list of same shall be sent to all members via First Class U.S. mail, a minimum of one week ahead of and the FRRL website no later than one week prior to the December meeting.

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- Section 2. Election: The annual election of all officers and the directors shall take place at the December meeting. The balloting shall allow for write-in names. A candidate shall be declared elected if that candidate receives the most votes cast by the members.
- Section 3. Absentee Ballots: Absentee ballots are allowed only for the election of officers and directors. The absentee ballot shall be prepared by the voter and delivered to any officer prior to the start of the meeting at which the annual election of officers and directors is held. All absentee ballots shall be drafted in ink. The office being voted on with the first and last names or the callsign of each candidate shall be listed on this ballot. The completed ballot may be sent via email or physical means. The completed ballot shall be sent to the chair of the nomination committee. The completed ballot shall be Alternatively, a physical ballot may be enclosed in a sealed envelope that is both printed and signed in ink using the first and last name of the voter. The physical ballot should be delivered to any officer. The ballots shall be opened and tallied at the election. At the discretion of the Board of Directors, an electronic absentee voting system may be used.
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Section 2. The Review Committee shall make a good faith effort to resolve the problem(s) that led to the removal proposal. Committee meetings and detailed deliberations shall be open only to person(s) specifically invited by the committee. The committee shall report its findings and recommendation(s) to the board no later than the regular board meeting in the month following the board meeting at which the proposal was first made.

Section 3. Upon approval a recommendation of the Review Committee, a formal motion may then be entered into the corporation-Board minutes by the member who made the original proposal. That motion shall be automatically tabled by the Board until the next regular monthly membership Board meeting. The motion must be voted upon by the Board. If further action is required, a publication shall be and shall be published in the next FRRL newsletter, or failing said publication, sent to all members via First Class U.S. mail, a minimum of one two weeks ahead of the next regular monthly membership meeting.

At this next meeting, the membership shall resolve to a committee-of-the-whole and conduct a hearing to determine the validity of the reasons for removal. The hearing shall be chaired by the Review Committee Chairman or another FRRL member appointed by him. When the hearing has been completed, an immediate vote shall be taken on the motion. A three-fourths (3/4) vote of the members present shall be required to approve said motion.

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Article IX - Committees

- Section 1. All committee chairmen chairs, the database manager, the newsletter editor, and the license trustee, shall be FRRL members, shall have a valid amateur radio license, and shall be appointed or removed by the President, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors. Unless stated otherwise, these individuals shall appoint the rest of their committee members, and shall have ultimate responsibility for all committee operations within the budgeted expense limits for that committee. The rest of the committee members are not required to have a valid amateur radio license.
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- Section 4. The <u>Field Day Committee</u> shall be responsible for the organization and operation of the ARRL Field Day event.
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- Section 9. The <u>Public Relations Committee</u> shall inform the general public of meetings, events and activities of the FRRL and, in general, act to promote amateur radio to the general public.
- Section 10. The <u>Technical Committee</u> shall be available to members who request technical assistance in amateur radio; make recommendations to the Board on technical matters affecting the amateur community as a whole; and provide guidance in the planning of the technical aspects of FRRL projects and activities.

- Section 11. The <u>Webmaster</u> shall be responsible for the installation and maintenance of the FRRL World-Wide Web Site. The web site shall be used to inform both the members and the general public about FRRL activities, and to provide the means for interactive communications between the members and between potential members and the club officers.
- Section 12. Additional ad hoc (special purpose) committees may be appointed, from time to time, as deemed necessary. Due to the transient nature of these committees, they are not published in the annual FRRL Membership Roster.
- Section 13. The ad hoc <u>Nominating Committee</u> consisting of three (3) members appointed by the President, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors, shall be announced at the regular September membership meeting.
- Section 14. The ad hoc <u>Review Committee</u> shall consist of a **chairman** and two additional members all appointed by the President, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors. The committee shall be responsible for investigating and resolving without further membership involvement, if possible any dispute or proposal referred to it by the FRRL Board of Directors. In the event of a dispute against the President, the Vice President shall convene the committee.
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Article X - Repeater Board

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- Section 2. The Repeater Board shall consist of five FRRL members who hold valid amateur radio licenses: Chairman, License Trustee, Secretary and two additional members who are appointed by the FRRL President with the advice and consent of the FRRL Board of Directors. Repeater Board members may only be removed by the FRRL President with the advice and consent of the FRRL Board of Directors.
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- Section 23. The License Trustee shall serve on the Repeater Board for an indefinite period. The other four members shall serve staggered two-year terms. In order to establish these staggered terms, two of the four initial members shall serve one year terms. All fractional term

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- Section 34. The Repeater Board shall meet a minimum of four times a year on a quarterly basis. A quorum of four members is required to conduct all business. The board's Secretary shall take formal minutes of all meetings and present a report of each meeting at the next regular FRRL Board of Directors meeting.
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- Section 5. The Repeater Board Chair shall be selected by the members of the Repeater Board to serve for a period of one (1) year. To be eligible to serve as the Repeater Board Chair, the candidate must have served on the Repeater Board for a minimum of two (2) years.
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- Section 46. The Repeater Board's duties shall consist of:
 - Establishing and enforcing repeater use policies and/or guidelines for all FRRL repeaters.
 These shall be approved by the FRRL Board of Directors.
 - 2. Establishing and maintaining all repeater site use agreements.
 - 3. These agreements shall be approved by the FRRL Board of Directors and signed by the FRRL President on behalf of the corporation.
 - 4. Providing for the maintenance of all repeater system equipment.
 - 5. Planning and implementing new repeater features and/or replacement of equipment.
 - Developing and following an annual budget that includes both operation and capital expense projections, and income estimates to cover these expenses. This budget shall be approved by the FRRL Board of Directors as a specified section of the annual FRRL Budget.
 - Resolving without further membership and FRRL Board involvement, if possible all disputes about repeater development, maintenance, use, and protocol. If the Repeater Board is unable to do this, the dispute shall be referred to the FRRL Board of Directors for further action.
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Article XI - Meetings

- Section 1. The regular monthly membership meetings of the Fox River Radio League, Inc. shall be held on the second Tuesday of every month. The Board of Directors of the Fox River Radio league, Inc. shall hold a monthly meeting at a location, date, and time of its choosing. The FRRL newsletter and the Club website shall be the normal vehicle for official notification of all board and membership meetings.
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- Section 2. Any permanent changes in the date, time, and/or location of the regular monthly membership meetings shall be proposed by the Board of Directors and ratified by a simple majority of the membership present at a duly called meeting.
- Section 3. All board, committee, and membership meetings shall be conducted under <u>Robert's Rules of Order</u> unless otherwise specified in the FRRL Bylaws.
- Section 4. Voting at all membership meetings shall be done only by FRRL members. In the case of FRRL family memberships, only those persons domiciled at home and holding a valid amateur radio license shall vote. If a given issue cannot be determined by ayes and nays, a show of hands shall be used unless a simple majority of the members' present vote to use a secret ballot. Proxy voting is not allowed. Absentee voting shall be allowed only for the election of officers and directors as described in Article VII.
- Section 5. All general membership voting, electing, or approving of transactions of club business required by these bylaws shall be held at a duly called FRRL membership meeting at which a quorum is present. At said membership meetings, a quorum shall be fifteen percent of the total voting membership except a twenty percent quorum shall be required for voting on bylaws amendments, officer and director removal or member removal.

Article XII - Dues

- Section 1. The membership dues of the Fox River Radio League, Inc. shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00) per year; except that senior citizens (65 & older), military personnel on active duty, and full-time students not yet having attained their twenty-second birthday, shall pay twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per year. A family membership shall be forty dollars (\$40.00) per year regardless of the number of members.
- Section 2. The optional FRRL repeater contribution shall be established by the Fox Repeater Board per year for all types of FRRL members.

- Section 3. New members joining the FRRL and/or supporting the FRRL repeaters after the first three (3) months of the year shall pay dues and/or the repeaters contribution pro-rated to the quarter of the year in which they first join. Example: individual or family joining in April-May-June pays 3/4 of the annual rate.
- Section 4. All FRRL membership dues and/or repeater contributions donations for the following year shall be payable starting at the October membership meeting of the preceding year and shall be due by the January membership meeting of the current year.
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- Section 5. Any FRRL member failing to pay the annual FRRL dues by the close of the January membership meeting of the current year shall no longer be a member of the Fox River Radio League.

Article XIII - Dissolution & Asset Disposition

- Section 1. In the event of the cessation of any FRRL organizational activities for a period of at least eight (8) calendar months, the then remaining Officers and Directors may submit a proposal to dissolve the FRRL to the members.
- Section 2. Upon approval of a majority of the remaining members, the surviving Officers and Directors shall: (1) Pay all outstanding bills, to the extent that FRRL assets permit, (2) Surrender the Corporate Charter to the Secretary of State of Illinois, and (3) Transfer all remaining organization assets to the American Radio Relay League Foundation, a charitable foundation as defined by applicable Federal IRS Regulation(s) and/or Statutes.

Article XIV - Amendments

- Section 1. Any amendment to the FRRL Bylaws shall be proposed in writing by a member. The proposed amendment shall clearly state which Article(s) and Section(s) would be changed.
- Section 2. The proposed amendment shall be read in full at a regular membership meeting by the President; discussed and amended as deemed necessary by the membership; and then tabled for a vote at the next monthly membership meeting following its publication. The proposed amendment shall then be published in the next FRRL newsletter, or failing said publication, the amendment shall be sent to all members via First Class U.S. mail, a minimum of one week ahead of the next membership meeting. Once the proposed amendment has been published, it is no longer amendable, unless it is published again in its amended form.
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Section 3. At the next regular membership meeting following publication, or re-publication of the proposed amendment, a membership vote shall be conducted. A two-thirds (2/3) majority of the voting members in attendance shall be necessary to pass the proposed amendment. The amendment, unless otherwise specified, shall take effect immediately upon membership ratification.

AMENDMENT HISTORY

Oct 13, 1999	Article IX - Committees, Section 14 - Review Committee, scope expanded
Oct 13, 1999	Article X - New Article - Repeater Board created, following Articles renumbered
Oct 13, 1999	Article XII - Dues, New Section 2 - Repeater Dues, following Sections
	renumbered
Sept 13. 2005	Article XII Section 2 – Eliminate \$20 repeater contribution for non-FRRL
•	members
Sept 13, 2005	Article XII Section 2 – Optional FRRL repeater contribution set by FRRL
,	Repeater Board
Sep 09, 2014	Article XII - Dues, Section 1- Amends yearly membership dues
Dec 12, 2017	Article XII - Dues, Section 1- Amends dues for year starting 2019
April 2, 2019	Article III - Membership, Section 4 – Removed need to publish.
April 2, 2019	Article IV – Officers, Section 3 – Removed Winter Banquet.
April 2, 2019	Article IV – Officers, Section 4 – Renumbered to Section 5 and added a new
	section 4 to avoid personal conflicts of interest on the Board.
April 2, 2019	Article V – Duties of Officers, Section 1 – Changed chairman to chair.
April 2, 2019	Article V – Duties of Officers, Section 2 – Added flexibility.
April 2, 2019	Article V – Duties of Officers, Section 3 – Added flexibility in assignment.
April 2, 2019	Article V – Duties of Officers, Section 4 – Increase non-budge spending, add
P 7	additional checks and balances to finances.
April 2, 2019	Article VII – Election of Officers and Directors, Section 1 – Use modern
	communication methods to inform membership.
April 2, 2019	Article VII – Election of Officers and Directors, Section 3 – Enable use of
r ,	email for absentee ballot and clarify delivery method.
April 2, 2019	Article VIII – Removal of Officers, Section 1 – Added clarification.
April 2, 2019	Article VIII – Removal of Officers, Section 3 – Added clarification.
April 2, 2019	Article IX – Committees, Section 1 – Changed chairmen to chairs.
April 2, 2019	Article IX – Committees, Section 2 – Changed chairmen to chairs, changed
r ,	publication method.
April 2, 2019	Article IX – Committees, Section 3 – Modernize the roster generation
•	process.
April 2, 2019	Article IX – Committees, Section 5 – Removed Hamfest, added Education.
April 2, 2019	Article IX – Committees, Section 6 – Further clarification.
April 2, 2019	Article IX – Committees, Section 7 – Remove mailing of newsletter.
April 2, 2019	Article IX – Committees, Section 14 – Clarification of process.
April 2, 2019	Article X – Repeater Board, Section 1 – Added section on purpose.
'	Renumbered old section 1 to section 2.
April 2, 2019	Article X – Repeater Board, Section 2 – Renumbered to Section 3, removed
•	staggered terms
April 2, 2019	Article X – Repeater board, Section 3 – Renumbered to Section 4.
April 2, 2019	Article X – Repeater Board, Section 5 – New section. Added term and
•	eligibility.
April 2, 2019	Article X – Repeater Board, Section 4 – Renumbered to Section 6 and
•	enumerated duties.
April 2, 2019	Article XI – Meetings, Section 1 – Added clarification.
April 2, 2019	Article XII – Dues, Section 4 – Changed contributions to donations.
April 2, 2019	Article XIV – Amendments, Section 2 – Removed mailing requirements.
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