MEMORANDUM

To: Chuck Littlewood, K4HF, President
From: Sue Meyer Parks, W2GHK, Secretary/Treasurer
Re: Minutes of QCWA Chapter 126 meeting of June 14, 2025 (Q2 2025)
Date: June 16, 2025

Chapter 126 of the QCWA held its quarterly meeting on June 14, 2025 at Best Food Cafeteria, Siler City, NC. There were 29 attendees.

President Chuck Littlewood, K4HF, called the Board to order at 11:08 am. Board members present: Secretary/Treasurer Sue Meyer Parks, W2GHK; Director Tom Evans NA4U; Director Gary Schwartz, K3OS and Director Dave Wood, W4EJ. Absent was Vice President Charlie Strickland.

Chuck, K4HF mentioned that VP Charlie, WA4OSS will not be present in upcoming meetings because he continues to be the primary caregiver to Sheila, KE4CDS. He is still performing his primary duty of looking for new programs.

We briefly discussed the open list of program ideas.

Sue, W2GHK gave the treasurer's report. We currently have \$1849.34 in the club bank account. The end-of-month balance graph shows our bank balance is stable. She showed a table of members who owe for 2025. An email reminder went out May 25 to nine members. Four have responded and paid dues. Sue shared a chart showing four new members joined in 2025.

The net report was reviewed. It will be sent to members along with the minutes. We were pleased by the upward number of checkins.

The next meeting is September 27, 2025 at this same location (Best Food Cafeteria, Siler City, NC). The Q4 meeting held in January will be via Zoom as last year.

Chuck asked if there was any other board business. There being none, the board adjourned at 11:31.

The general membership meeting was called to order at 11:57 am. President Chuck Littlewood, K4HF welcomed everyone and stated he was happy to see the great turnout today.

Chuck asked if there were any health or welfare issues we should be aware of. Tom, NA4U told the group that his cancer scan was clean. He can now go 6 months before another one.

Chuck, K4RGN, our appointed Chapter Chaplin, gave the blessing and we then adjourned for lunch. After lunch, we all introduced ourselves and responded to the question "Do you plan on attending an ARRL Field Day operation this year"?

K4HF welcomed our newest Chapter 126 member Rohn Daughtry, KD4HCT of Beulaville, NC. Rohn also received an Anniversary Service Award for 65 years.

Door prizes were drawn: Three \$25.00 gift cards and an ARRL book on portable antennas. The winners were:

- Dick Blumenstein, K0CAT
- Richard Kroeger, N1FUA
- Sue Parks, W2GHK
- Gary Schwartz, K3OS

The 50/50 drawing of \$45.00 was won by Sue Parks, W2GHK. She graciously donated her portion to the club, therefore \$90 will go to the club account.

Chuck mentioned that our Saturday morning net continues to have good attendance. He thanked current NCSs: K3OS, N4TL, K4RGN, WA4OSS, W4WHW, and WB4DCM. Please sign up to be a net control station by the link on the chapter website. The Q2 2025 net report will be included with the minutes.

Sue, W2GHK gave the treasurers report. There is currently \$1850. in the Wells Fargo bank account, which remains steady. She sent out an email to members who owe for 2025 dues.

The program was presented by Richard Kroeger N1FUA "Basic NANO VNA Operation for Antenna SWR Measurements" Richard gave a detailed account of the operation of vector network analyzers. It was an interesting presentation with a live demonstration. Discussion followed. Chuck reminded the group of upcoming Hamfests:

- June 21:AB4OZ, Raleigh
- July 12: Salisbury
- July 18: Cary
- July 26: Waynesville
- Aug 9: Fayetteville
- Aug 16: AB4OZ, Raleigh
- Aug 29, 30: Shelby

Our next meeting will be in person on Sept 27 at this same location (Best Food Cafeteria in Siler City). The program TBD.

K4HF presented Mary Jo, K4MJL, and Sue W2GHK with Certificates of Appreciation. Mary Jo for her administrative support at the meetings since 2014 and Sue for Chapter Secretary/Treasurer since 2019.

Chuck asked if there was any other business. There was none.

K4HF reminded the group of the Saturday morning net at 8:45 am on approx. 3.853 MHz. Sign up for NCS on the chapter website.

Chuck thanked all for attending. The board wishes everyone a healthy and safe summer.

The meeting adjourned at 1:43 pm. The following members were present:

Bob Babcock, N4RF; Dick Blumenstein, K0CAT, Lou Demko, W3LPR; Stan Dicks, W4AG; Tom Evans, NA4U; Bill Flaherty, W1GY; Wilbur Goss, WD4RDT; John Hutchins WB4NNY; Trina Hutchins N4XYQ; Susan Jones, WA4AKB; Richard Kroeger, N1FUA; Tom Lewis, N4TL; Chuck Littlewood, K4HF; Mary Jo Littlewood, K4MJL; Denis Mason, WZ0Q; Ralph Meeks, WB4EJJ; Bob Pantazes, W2ARP; Sue Meyer Parks, W2GHK; Alan Pitegoff, AB4OZ; Bob Sanders, W2IKN; Gary Schwartz, K3OS; Charles Swindell, WB4DCM; Chuck Till, K4RGN; Ernie Wall, NC4EW and Dave Wood, W4EJ.

We welcomed the following guests: Bill Bischoff, N8BR; John Green. KX4P; Dale Jones, WA4JCK (OM of WA4AKB) and Ruth Meeks (XYL of WB4EJJ).