MEMORANDUM

To: Chuck Littlewood, K4HF, President
From: Sue Meyer Parks, W2GHK, Secretary/Treasurer
Re: Minutes of QCWA Chapter 126 meeting of Sept 19, 2026 (Q3 2026)
Date: Sept 21, 2026

Chapter 126 of the QCWA held its quarterly meeting on Sept 19, 2026, at the Best Food Cafeteria, Siler City NC. There were 19 attendees.

President Chuck Littlewood, K4HF, called the Board to order at 11:02 am. Board members present: Secretary/Treasurer Sue Meyer Parks, W2GHK; Director Tom Evans NA4U; and Director Dave Wood, W4EJ. Absent were Vice President Charlie Strickland WA4OSS, and Director Bob Pantazes, W2ARP.

We briefly discussed the open list of program ideas. Charlie, WA4OSS continues to source programs in his VP capacity.

Sue, W2GHK gave the treasurer's report. We currently have $1860.82 in the club bank account. The end-of-month balance graph shows our bank balance is stable.

Emails were sent in May and June to members with outstanding 2026 dues. Only one member remains paid, and given his circumstances, we will not pursue it and will eventually remove him from the roster.

Sue will contact QCWA National members in NC to introduce our chapter. Chuck suggested also asking nearby current members to reach out to prospective members.

The net report was reviewed. It will be sent to members along with the minutes. The number of check-ins continues to be stable.

No additional input from the directors.

Chuck asked Sue to serve as the 2027 Chapter 126 Nominations Committee Chair, and she accepted. We then went around the table to confirm whether the current board members were willing to serve in 2027. All present were willing to continue. Sue will follow up with those who were absent and present the full slate of nominations at the January (Q4) meeting.

Chuck asked if there was any other Board business. There being none, the Board adjourned at 11:30.

The general membership meeting was called to order at 11:56 am. President Chuck Littlewood, K4HF welcomed everyone.

Chuck asked if there were any health or welfare issues. Chuck, K4RGN gave the blessing before lunch. We wish speedy recovery for Sheila, KE4CDS; Alan, AB4OZ; and Selene, KG4RMT. K4HF mentioned that Chuck, K4RGN; and Tom, NA4U are now cancer free.

Prior to lunch, we all introduced ourselves and commented if we were using FT-4 or FT-8 for communications.

After lunch, door prizes were drawn:

Wilbur GossWD4RDT 50/50 ($26.00)

Three Gift Cards were drawn. The winners were:

- Dave Wood, W4EJ
- Paul Dent, KX4GP
- Charles Swindell, WB4DCM

Chuck mentioned our Saturday morning net. Please sign up to be a net control station on the link on the chapter website. He mentioned those who have been helping with NCS: N4TL, K4RGN, WA4OSS, W4WHW, WB4DCM, W2GHK, and W2ARP. The Q3 2026 net report will be included with the minutes.

Sue, W2GHK gave the treasurers report. There is currently $1860 in the bank account, which remains steady.

The program was given by John Green, KX4P. He shared two antenna related videos. 1) A DX Engineering interview with Don Daso, K4ZA on how he got into amateur radio and installing towers. 2) Impedance Measuring theory on how to calculate lost radiation resistance. The videos generated some discussion.

K4HF asked the group if they have any ideas for future programs (preferably live programs) to contact Chapter VP Charlie, WA4OSS.

Chuck reminded the group to renew chapter memberships with Sue, W2GHK; and keep current on your national membership which can be renewed online.

Chuck mentioned upcoming Hamfests:

- Lexington Sept. 26
- Winston Salem Oct. 10
- Maysville Oct. 11
- AB4OZ Raleigh Oct 17
- Stone Mtn GA Oct. 30/31
- Benson (Selma) Nov. 7

Our next meeting is on January 9, 2027 on Zoom. Program TBD.

The future Chapter 126 meetings will be on 1/9/27 on ZOOM then in person in Siler City on March 13, June 12 and Sept. 11, 2027.

Chuck announced Sue, W2GHK will serve as the 2027 Chapter 126 Nominations Committee Chair. Members interested in serving the chapter should contact Sue.

Chuck asked if there was any other business; none was raised.

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. He thanked Mary Jo, K4MJL and Sue, W2GHK for their administrative chores today. The Board wishes everyone a healthy and safe fall season.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm. The following members were present:

Bob Babcock, N4RF; Lou Demko, W4LPR; Tom Evans, NA4U; Bill Flaherty, W1GY; Wilbur Goss, WD4RDT; John Green, KX4P; Susan Langley-Jones, WA4AKB; Chuck Littlewood, K4HF; Mary Jo Littlewood, K4MJL; Denis Mason, WZ0Q; Sue Meyer Parks, W2GHK; Bob Saunders, W2IKN; Charles Swindell, WB4DCM; Chuck Till, K4RGN; Ernie Wall, NC4EW; and Dave Wood, W4EJ.

Guests: Paul Dent, KX4GP; Dale Jones, WA4JCK; John Link, W4HWT